

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
April 26, 2011
6:00 P.M.**

Council Members Present: Bill Shore, Junior Snyder, Steve Cummings, Jim Duffy, Dave Besselman,
Absent: Jim Francis & Toyge Davis

Guests Present: Mayor Howell, Sandy Masten, Jamie MacCombie, Glenn Diehl, Pete Lau,
William Fansler, Jeff Stewart, Dave Friedman, Lenee Bryan, Cari Schroeder, Joe Riper, Dan Hershey, Bill
Romanelli, Charles Wilkinson

After the Pledge of Allegiance, President Shore called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – NUISANCE CONDITIONS OF TREES AND OTHER VEGETATION

President Shore asked if there were any comments or discussion on proposed ordinance #233. There was no comments or discussion. The public hearing was closed.

ORDINANCE #233 - ADOPTION

Councilman Besselman made a motion to adopt Ordinance #233, 2nd by Councilman Cummings, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CARI SCHROEDER

Ms. Schroeder said she is Fred Bryan's daughter and in his memory and in his honor, her family would like to make a memorial garden on Borough property. Ms. Schroeder showed Council the plans for the garden and asked for their consideration to allow this garden to take place. Ms. Schroeder said if the garden is approved, they plan to make the garden on Saturday, May 21, 2011. Mayor Howell said the family raised all the money for the garden and it would be located between the memorial outside the Borough building and the telephone pole. President Shore said that Glenn Diehl looked into the property line and there is no conflict with the railroad. Councilman Duffy made a motion to approve the memorial garden, 2nd by Councilman Snyder, motion carried. Councilman Snyder made a motion to replace the tree that is there and donate a new tree to the memorial garden for up to \$300.00, 2nd by Councilman Snyder, motion carried.

EEMA'S REPORT

William Fansler gave the following report for March 2011:

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Wastewater Treatment Plant Flows:

Total Monthly Flow	11,792,000 gallons
Daily Flows Min.	128,000 gallons
Daily Flows Max.	798,000 gallons
Daily Flows Avg.	380,000 gallons

NEW GARDEN TOWNSHIP WEEKLY FLOWS (Average Gallons/Day)

WEEK	March 2-9	March 9-16	March 16-23	March 23-30
ROUTE 41	31,555	36,867	33,814	34,075
RAILROAD	72,302	112,597	77,900	62,517
Total	103,857	149,464	111,714	96,592

WATER TREATMENT PLANT
Production Summary

Water System		Well #1	Gallons/Day	Well #2	Gallons/Day
Total Well #1	3,340,700	Minimum	76,600	Minimum	18,800
Total Well #2	639,900	Maximum	471,900	Maximum	60,300
Total:	4,174,200	Average	107,765	Average	26,887
Avg. gpd	139,140				

Facilities Maintenance Report:

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

- KELSO solutions reinstalled RAS/WAS back up pump 3/3
- Touch screen for SCADA was repaired and installed 3/7
- Oliver Mechanical installed new wet well exhaust fan 3/1
- Mike LaFrance reviewed south Clairifier 3/3
- Mike LaFrance installed new level sensor on head works. Sensor would not take calibration and we are waiting on new one.
- New level sensor was received and waiting on installation
- Sensor was installed 3/31/11
- Municipal Maintenance was in to troubleshoot influent pumps. Pumps were ok, pump megar in control panel going bad. Replacement is on order.
- Dynatech performed yearly service on standby generator

WATER ACTIONS

- Total Water Actions - 3

COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

- Total PA 1 Calls – 9
- Water leak at 105Chatham Street
- Water meters were read

PERMIT VIOLATIONS:

No permit violations for the month

APPROVED IMPROVEMENT LIST 2011 –UPDATE

- 1) RAS/WAS back up pump needs repaired.
 - *RAS/WAS pump was picked up on 2/3/11 and we are waiting on report.*
 - *Authorization was given to Kelso for the repair of the pump and we are waiting on delivery of pump.*
 - *RAS/WAS was installed on 3/3/11.*

- 2) New influent exhaust fan
 - *New exhaust fan has been ordered and should be installed the week of 2/14/11.*
 - *Oliver Mechanical has received the new exhaust fan and will be installed 3/1/11.*
 - *Oliver Mechanical installed new exhaust fan*

- 3) Replace level sensor for the headwork's grinder.
- *Replacement level sensor has been ordered.*
 - *Replacement level sensor was received on 2/28/11 and will be installed 3/3/11.*
 - *Replacement level sensor was installed 3/3 and sensor did not take calibration and a new one was ordered.*
 - *New replacement level sensor was received 3/28 and waiting to be installed*
 - *Sensor was installed on 3/31/11*
- 4) SCADA system in generator room needs new interface screen.
- *Interface screen has been sent out for repair.*
 - *Interface screen has been repaired and a report sent on it and we are waiting on shipment of repaired unit.*
 - *Repaired unit was installed on 3/7*
- 5) Need smaller dumpster on wheels so we can move it under grit shoot and pull it out for trash truck to empty. Pavement at grit area needs to be replaced with concrete for the smaller dumpster.
Mayor Dottie is handling the dumpster - Dominick is handling the pavement
- 6) The control building needs 4 new metal doors.
Bill Shore is looking into getting the doors replaced.

WATER TESTING INVOICE

Pete Lau said the Chester County Health Department does not handle water in Chester County anymore because it was taken over by the DEP. DEP has come up with a waiver system that we are still trying to figure out. The Borough is mandated to do water testing by the end of March for the first quarter or be in violation. Mr. Lau said an invoice was submitted to the Borough for this testing and asked for Council's approval to pay the \$1,100.00 invoice. Councilman Snyder made a motion to pay the invoice to BSC Labs for \$1,100.00, 2nd by Councilman Besselman, motion carried.

FLUSH HYDRANTS – WATER SHUT OFF

President Shore asked EEMA to make sure they flush the hydrants after the shutdown of the water system. Pete Lau said they would attempt to flush the hydrants but the problem is the way the system is looped and how it backs up.

BOROUGH SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Glenn Diehl gave the following report:

143 W. STATE STREET – SEWER CONNECTION

This property does not front State Street and the access to the property is the alley next to the State Street Bridge. This is the property where the sewer system failed and a license agreement was signed to allow the sewer line in the Borough road right of way. As Council directed in the license, the line had to be bored from the edge of the access Alley to the manhole so that it didn't tear up the new road surface. The Contractor, Tri County needs to find the elevation of the gas main before they started boring and this entails cutting the road about a one foot circle in two locations to bracket the route of the pipe from the cart way to the manhole. The license has been issued and signed and they would like Council's okay to move forward with this project. Council acknowledges that there will be two cores in State Street.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing was opened.

President Shore asked if anyone had any comments or discussion on reducing the number of Council members from 7 to 5. There were no comments from the public or from Council.

The Public Hearing was closed.

RESOLUTION 2011-1 – INTERVENE IN THE ELECTORS PETITION

Councilman Duffy made a motion to adopt Resolution #2011-1, 2nd by Councilman Besselman, motion carried.

120 W. STATE STREET – GREENHOUSE PROPERTY

Received the title report and the property is being appraised. An environmental consulting firm has been hired to do the Phase I Environmental Study which is a two to three week process. All of this has been coordinated with the property owner's realtor.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT

Jamie MacCombie gave the following report:

I & I PROJECT

Mr. MacCombie said before he can go back to DEP to ask for additional capacity, he needs to document what affect New Garden Township's flows and additional I & I from New Garden have on the treatment plant. Spence Address is forwarding information to complete the documentation.

WATERLINE REHABILITATION PROJECT

The contract from the County should be forthcoming. The Borough needs to execute and send back to the County to get the project moving.

RAILROAD CROSSING ON ROUTE 41

Met with the Railroad, PennDOT and the PUC regarding the upgrading of the rail crossing on Route 41. The traffic signals will be mounted on a new lattice and the Borough will still have to maintain the lights. They plan to shut down Route 41 on June 10th and open the road on the morning of June 12th. The alternate route will be Penn Green Road.

WILKINSON PROJECT

Mr. Wilkinson is asking for Council's consideration granting a time extension for the Carillon Phase 2a Quarry section until June 30, 2011. If Council does not accept the extension, the current time line expires in the middle of May which is before the next Council meeting the plan would have to be acted on tonight. Mr. MacCombie said he recommends that Council grant the extension. Councilman Cummings made a motion to grant the extension until June 30th for the Carillon Phase 2a, 2nd by, Councilman Besselman, motion carried.

JOE RIPER – WILKINSON PROJECT

Mr. Riper introduced himself and told Council that he has been involved with this project since the very beginning. He gave the following statements.

Council is aware of the way the real estate market is now and Wilkinson is dealing with 50% reduction of land values in the last couple of years. The only way to make the Carillon project work is to go to the bank and hopefully restructure the loan with the bank in a way that Mr. Wilkinson can continue to build the units and sell them at least at a price to pay the loan money back.

Part of the restructuring involves the Borough with Phase 2a. The site improvements for Phase 2a are going to be above 5 million dollars. To get a bank to loan 5 million dollars is not easy. Part of the solution is to sub phase the improvements and ask the Borough to restructure and allow Wilkinson some relief on the total amount of money

that has been committed to the Borough for this project. We are trying to stay above 80% of the amount committed to the Borough.

Wilkinson is proposing to take Phase 2a and break it up into two sub phases; 48 and 49 lots. The next phase goes along Church Street toward Route 41 and left toward the quarry. What we propose to do is just put in the units mainly going along Church Street and maybe like two-thirds of the road improvements would be incurred as part of that first sub phase. The installation of 12" water line from Chatham Street would be part of the first sub phase because the most important part is getting fire protection and getting pressure to the existing units and to the new units. The Wellhead Protection would be done in the second sub phase of 2a. and price will be held by Technivate. Phase 2b has not been engineered yet.

We have a commitment of 2.8 million dollars to the Borough for the I & I. At that time we didn't know a substantial amount of the suspected I & I was really defective metering at the plant and the I & I problem is not as great as expected. Wilkinson is asking the Borough for a reduction of the commitment from 2.8 to 1.9 million and this would be paid from the closing of each unit. Mr. Riper asked if there were any questions. Council requested that all the aforementioned be put into writing. Mr. Riper said he can get something to Mr. MacCombie tomorrow.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

APPROVE THE BILLS TO BE PAID

Councilman Snyder made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to April 26, 2011, 2nd by Councilman Shore, motion carried.

APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Councilman Duffy made a motion to approve the financial statements, 2nd by Councilman Snyder, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Duffy made a motion to approve the minutes from March 15, 2011, 2nd by Councilman Shore, motion carried. Councilman Duffy made a motion to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting on March 28, 2011 and continued on April 4, 2011, 2nd by Councilman Shore, motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Howell gave the following report

SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AMENDMENT

Since Penn Container did not put out new trash and recycling containers, the amended pricing for the three year contract with Penn Container is as follows:

Year One from \$15.40 to \$15.00 per unit per month
 Year Two from \$16.02 to \$15.60 per unit per month
 Year Three from \$16.66 to \$16.23 per unit per month

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

NEW GARDEN METER READINGS

President Shore said he thinks the Borough should be involved in reading the New Garden meters and asked how we can implement that program. Council asked Mr. MacCombie to look into the cost and updated way to read the New Garden meters.

PARKS AND COMPOSTING FACILITY COMMITTEE

Councilman Cummings gave the following report:

PARKS CLEAN UP

The park cleanup day is scheduled for Saturday, May 14th. Volunteers are needed.

OLD BUSINESS

6TH STREET - NO PARKING SIGNS

Council asked Glenn Diehl to look into an ordinance for no parking on the Borough side of 6th Street.

GUARDRAIL FOR POMEROY AVENUE BRIDGE

President Shore said he would like to get the guardrail back on the agenda because it needs to be done. Council asked Mr. MacCombie to look into getting a guardrail.

NEW BUSINESS

STREET SWEEPING

President Shore asked when the best time to have the street sweeper come in? Jamie MacCombie asked if it was possible to get a street sweeper that has a vacuum so it actually cleans the inlets while cleaning the streets. Council asked Mr. MacCombie to look into getting a street sweeper with a vacuum.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Due to the Primary Election, the May Council Meeting will be held on May 24th.
- There will be an Executive Session after this meeting to discuss a personnel issue.

Councilman Duffy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m., 2nd by Councilman Snyder, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary