

**AVONDALE BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
August 21, 2012  
6:00 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bill Shore, Steve Cummings, Dave Besselman, Jim Duffy, Abby Pyle, Wilson Lysle

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Mayor Howell, Sandy Masten, Jamie MacCombie, Glenn Diehl, Pete Lau, William Fansler, Davis Howell

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

**EEMA REPORT**

Council reviewed the monthly report.

**MONTHLY MAINTENANCE EXPENSES**

After reviewing the process for the monthly expenses, Council requested EEMA to include copies of the monthly maintenance invoices in their report.

**ELECTRICAL UPGRADE**

William Fansler reported that the air conditioner that was purchased a couple of months ago broke because of PECO's power supply; with 220 power, the voltage dropped down to 202. One of two things can be done: Install a 480 transformer and then install another transformer to reduce it down to 240 and then we can run 208-230 air conditioning unit or; get a permanent air conditioning system rated for 208 voltage. Waiting on estimates to upgrade the electrical system and a permanent air conditioning system.

**ALUM PUMP APPROVAL TO PURCHASE**

Wilson Lyle made a motion to approve the purchase of the Alum Pump from WG Malden for \$1,260.55, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Duffy, motion carried.

**DISINFECTION SYSTEM**

Jim Duffy made a motion to approve Jamie MacCombie to amend the NPDES permit application from gaseous chlorine system to a liquid chlorine system, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

**BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT**

**WILKINSON PROJECT – Extension to September 30, 2012**

There was no activity on the project. Council gave Jamie MacCombie permission to seek an extension.

**WATERLINE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT- PHASE 3**

The curbs and sidewalks are now being finished and the contractor should start paving next week.

**INDIAN RUN ROAD QUARRY REPAIR**

All the permits have been approved; we are waiting on how it will be funded.

WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT - 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve \$72,638.50 for the 8" water main replacement and restoration from Pennsylvania Avenue to Chatham Street, and a new fire hydrant, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

**BOROUGH SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

ZONING ORDINANCE UPDATE

Glenn Diehl suggested creating a committee to go over what needs to be updated in the zoning ordinance. Mr. Diehl said he will make his recommendations to the committee.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to August 21, 2012, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the financial statements, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Steve Cummings made a motion to approve the minutes from July 17, 2012, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Howell gave the following report:

AVONDALE FIRE COMPANY'S 125<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

The fire company will be having their anniversary celebration on September 22, 2012 . The ceremony will start at 12:30 p.m. From 1:00-3:30 there will be: an open house, food, drinks, displays, exhibits, and kid activities. All are welcome.

ROAD REPAIR ON PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE AT 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET

Spoke to Steve Austin at PennDOT and the bump on Pennsylvania Avenue at 6<sup>th</sup> Street should be repaired in a couple of weeks.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

Bill Shore and Davis Howell continue to take classes mandatory to be state certified.

**WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE**

Dave Besselman gave the following report: The Committee met on August 14, 2012.

CUTONE MUSHROOM INVOICE FOR WATER METER AND INSTALLATION

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve Cutone Mushroom to pay \$2,000.00 a week until paid in full, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilson Lysle, motion carried. Amount owed is \$8,295.50.

## **PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE**

Wilson Lysle gave the following report:

### **TREES AT INDIAN RUN PARK & STREET LIGHTS**

Ricks Tree Service will be here on Thursday to cut down 11 trees and take out 6 stumps on Indian Run Road. Inventoried all the street lights with the pole numbers and now working on a spreadsheet with the information.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **SEWER AUTHORITY APPOINTMENT**

Dave Besselman made a motion to appoint Lillian Davis for a 5 year term, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Duffy, motion carried.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The Water and Sewer Committee will meet on September 11, 2012 at 2:30 p.m.
- Council Meeting September 18, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
- There was an executive session to discuss legal issues.

Council went into Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

Council came back from Executive Session at 8:55 p.m.

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR**

Jim Duffy made a motion to authorize up to \$5,000.00 to hire an independent auditor to audit the water and sewer accounts with the new meters, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

## **ADVERTISE TO BID A CONTRACT FOR WWTP OPERATIONS/**

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve advertising to bid the Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations & Maintenance contract, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Duffy, motion carried.

Dave Besselman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Brownback  
Borough Secretary