

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
July 17, 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.

PUBLIC HEARING – COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT APPLICATIONS 2013-2014

The Public Hearing was opened. There were no public comments.

The grant applications are for funding for the improvements to the water system including the replacement of the existing water main in Pennsylvania Avenue from State Street to Church Street and the installation of an additional well.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Steve Cummings made a motion to adopt Resolution #2012-4 proceeding with the grant applications, 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

EEMA REPORT

Council reviewed the monthly report.

NORTH CLARIFIER

The north clarifier has been repaired and up and running.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT

WILKINSON PROJECT – Extension to September 30, 2012

Wilkinson has applied for the last four building permits. There are a couple of concerns; one is turning over the homeowner's association to the residents and the other is fact that no plans have been submitted for the community building with a swimming pool.

WATERLINE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT- PHASE 3

The curbs and sidewalks will soon be started. Phase 3A they will be able to start after the 25th when the contract is signed.

INDIAN RUN ROAD QUARRY REPAIR

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

WATER LEAK AT 4TH & PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE

Bill Shore said there is a water leak on 4th Street. There is a 1" line that is feeding two homes. It was repaired a couple of weeks ago and now it is leaking on the other side. President Shore said he would like to see that whole line be replaced. After discussion, it was decided to put in a minimum of a 6" line and to add the house at 101 4th Street to give them their own service. Jamie will look into this matter.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to July 17, 2012, 2nd by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Jim Duffy made a motion to approve the financial statements, 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the minutes from June 19, 2012, 2nd by Jim Duffy, motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

AVONDALE FIRE COMPANY'S 125TH 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.

PARKESBURG POLICE

Chief Sheller has invited Mayor Dottie and Council to Parkesburg Borough to give recognition to Officer's Anderson and Discher for stopping the bank robbers in Avondale that robbed a bank in West Grove. The ceremony is on August 20th at 7:00 p.m. in Parkesburg and please let them know who will attend. Jim Duffy made a motion to approve resolution #2012-5 recognizing the officers, 2nd by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

STREETS AND STREETLIGHTS COMMITTEE

SIDEWALK ENFORCEMENT

Council requested that Tom Lowry come to the next meeting to talk about his duties and sidewalk enforcement.

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Dave Besselman gave the following report: The Committee met on July 10, 2012.

14 W. THIRD STREET

A sewer credit of \$63.95 was given to 14 W. Third Street for a pool fill.

CUTONE MUSHROOM METER PIT INSTALLATION INVOICE

Glenn Diehl spoke to Mr. Cutone's lawyer and Mr. Cutone intends to pay the invoice.

WATER AND SEWER BILLING SHORTFALLS

Dave Friedman came to the meeting and he has 228 out of 368 accounts finished. So far we are about 5 million gallons under billed and then he will have someone to verify the reports.

PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

PARKING AREA IN TOWN CENTER

Council approved Wilson Lyle to allow Dominick use the Borough equipment work on cleaning up (weeds cut, parking bumpers back in place) the parking area next to Earls.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Water and Sewer Committee will meet on August 14, 2012 at 2:30 p.m.
- Council Meeting August 21, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
- There was an executive session to discuss legal issues.

Council went into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. Council came back from Executive Session at 8:25 p.m.

AGREEMENT WITH NEW GARDEN

Jim Duffy made a motion that Council authorizes the appropriate officers sign the amended Agreement and Release when it is approved by Council, 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

Jim Duffy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m., 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary