

**AVONDALE BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
July 19, 2011  
6:00 P.M.**

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

**Guests Present:** Mayor Howell, Sandy Masten, Jamie MacCombie, Glenn Diehl, Pete Lau, William Fansler, Dave Friedman

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

**EEMA REPORT**

**UTILITY WATER PUMPS**

There is a quote from Municipal Maintenance Company for \$925.00 to inspect and repack the head shafts on the three utility water pumps. We have been having problems with the packing staying sealed and we would like to get a 2<sup>nd</sup> opinion on why they are not keeping hold. Councilman Snyder made a motion to approve \$925.00 to repack the pumps, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Besselman, motion carried.

**CLARIFIER MAINTENANCE**

Received a quote for an inspection and some repairs to the clarifiers at a cost of \$3,652.50 for each clarifier. The way we want to approach this is to do the south clarifier this year that has the most maintenance issues and the north clarifier next year. This should be good for every five years. The only thing this does not include is on the south clarifier is the foot valve that rusted and fell into the bottom of the clarifier. We want to switch to stainless steel so it doesn't rust. Couldn't get a price on the foot valve because Municipal Maintenance doesn't know how much materials are needed until they drain the clarifier. The inspection and repairs will all be done in one trip. Councilman Snyder made a motion to approve \$3,652.50 for the inspection and maintenance of the south clarifier plus the cost of replacing the foot valve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Besselman.

**AUGER MONSTER**

Councilman Snyder made a motion to approve \$1604.00 for a new reducer and motor from Brown Transmission and Bearing and \$1670.00 for labor from Municipal Maintenance Company to remove the existing reducer and motor and install the new one, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Cummings, motion carried.

**REHABILITATION OF WELL HOUSES**

After discussion, Councilman Besselman made a motion to approve up to \$15,000.00 to rehabilitate the well houses. This includes a new motor control panel, a breaker box and a fence around the well houses, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Besselman, motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING – COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROGRAM GRANT**

The Public Hearing was opened

Glenn Diehl showed a map of the proposed waterline extension grant application. The proposal includes the extension of 12" water main through Watson Park crossing the crossing the White Clay Creek to Third Avenue, then continuing to Third Street to Church Street. Councilman Cummings made a motion to approve the redesign instead of going under the Pennsylvania Avenue Bridge, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Besselman, motion carried.

There were no Public Comments. The Public Hearing was closed.

Councilman Duffy made a motion to approve the application for Community Revitalization Grant Program for 2011, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Besselman, motion carried. This Hearing was posted at the Borough Hall and advertised.

**BOROUGH SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Glenn Diehl gave the following report:

**120 W. STATE STREET – GREENHOUSE PROPERTY**

Councilman Snyder made a motion to approve Glenn Diehl to move forward with the condemnation process of the property at 120 W. State Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Snyder, motion carried.

**DOLLAR GENERAL VARIANCE**

The project has been officially terminated and Dollar General withdrew the Zoning Hearing Board Application.

**STATE STREET BRIDGE**

Councilman Besselman made a motion to approve Glenn Diehl to file a Declaratory Judgment Action, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Snyder, motion carried.

**BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Herb MacCombie gave the following report:

**STREET SWEEPER & GUIDERAIL**

The guiderail can be picked up anytime. President Shore said he will call Mr. MacCombie when the Borough is ready to pick it up.

**MAXIMUM FITNESS**

Wrote the letter authorized by Council to Maximum Fitness because of a leak in their sewer lateral. We have a video showing the leak with the groundwater flowing into the lateral. Herb MacCombie has called Mr. Finley three times with no success. The secretary will call Mr. Finley.

**MS4 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT REPORT**

The annual report was submitted to DEP by the deadline.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE****APPROVE THE BILLS TO BE PAID**

Councilman Besselman made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to June 19, 2011, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Cummings, motion carried.

**APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Councilman Besselman made a motion to approve the financial statements, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Snyder, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilman Cummings made a motion to approve the minutes from July 19, 2011, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Snyder, motion carried.

**STREET AND STREET LIGHTS COMMITTEE****TAR AND CHIPPING POMEROY AVENUE**

Council discussed how to keep the dust down on the stone part of Pomeroy. Jamie MacCombie said tar and chipping probably will not hold. Glenn Diehl said if you could put millings down and then roll it, it will turn back into concrete. Mayor Howell said she will contact Martin's Paving to find out about the milling process.

**PARKS AND COMPOSTING FACILITY COMMITTEE**

Councilman Cummings gave the following report:

**PARK USE REQUEST**

We had a request for individuals to use Watson Park to play soccer. After some discussion, Councilman Cummings will contact the individual for more information.

**PARK BENCHES**

Received a quote for \$375.00 to dig 33 holes for 11 benches. This was tabled until Councilman Cummings can coordinate the installation of the benches with the digging of the holes.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Received a response letter from Ms. Cosford Parker, the Borough will respond by certified letter. Councilman Snyder made a motion to disband the Historical Commission, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Besselman, motion carried. Borough Council is looking into the book sale profits.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The August Council Meeting has been changed to August 23, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.

Councilman Snyder made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Besselman, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Brownback  
Borough Secretary