

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
December 16, 2014
6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Shore, Steve Cummings, Dave Besselman, Wilson Lysle
Absent: Abby Pyle

GUESTS PRESENT: Mayor Howell, Sandy Masten, Glenn Diehl, Cleve Price, Tom Lowry, Davis Howell, Vince Barbone

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

2015 BUDGET – ADOPTION

Dave Besselman made a motion to adopt the 2015 Budget, 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED 2015 TAX ORDINANCE

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

ORDINANCE #247 – 2015 TAX ORDINANCE

Steve Cummings made a motion to adopt Ordinance #247, 2nd by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED WATER/SEWER/TRASH FEES

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

ORDINANCE #248 – WATER/SEWER AND TRASH FEES

Dave Besselman made a motion to adopt Ordinance #248, 2nd by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

RESIDENT AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

DAVIS HOWELL – AVONDALE FIRE COMPANY

Mr. Howell said the Chief and Fire Police would like to thank the Mayor and Council for the gift cards; they appreciate it very much.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the minutes from November 18, 2014, 2nd by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A copy of the monthly report is available at the Borough Office.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Wilson Lysle made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to December 16, 2014, 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Wilson Lysle made a motion to approve the financial statements, 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

PARKESBURG POLICE

Steve Cummings made a motion to approve \$77.25 as the Parkesburg Police rate for 2015, 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

GIFT CARDS FRO EMPLOYEES

Wilson Lysle made a motion to approve a gift card to Lowe's as a Christmas Bonus to Borough employees, 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

JOHN LANGILLE REQUEST

Mr. Langille sent a request asking for relief from Ordinance #246 for his property at 310 Pennsylvania Avenue. Mr. Langille noted that his daughter and grandchildren live there and he does not receive rent or any monies for taxes, water, sewer, insurance, etc. The Borough's Solicitor Glenn Diehl said the property is not owner occupied and it is in his opinion that this property should comply with the ordinance.

CCATO MEMBERSHIP

Dave Besselman made a motion to join the Chester County Association of Township Officials as an Associate Member for \$250.00, 2nd by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

GENERATOR

Steve Cummings made a motion to approve a generator for the Borough Building at a cost of \$6,850.00; 60% or \$4,110.00 is due immediately with the balance due when job is complete, 2nd by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Work Session – Tuesday, January 13, 2015 @2:00 p.m.
- Council Meeting – Tuesday, January 20, 2015 @6:00 p.m.

Dave Besselman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m., 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary