

**AVONDALE BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
February 16, 2016  
6:00 P.M.**

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

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Sandy Masten, Jamie MacCombie, Glenn Diehl, Rick Davis, Lieutenant D'Ambrosio, Jay Pusey, Chan Pusey, Phil Pusey, Jr., Guy Swift.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**GUY SWIFT – AVONDALE FIRE COMPANY PRESIDENT**

Mr. Swift gave the following 2015 yearend report:

There were 33 Fire/Accident calls in the Borough which equal to 6.70% of the total 492 calls. There were a total of 1183 EMS calls with 67 being in the Borough. We have one full time EMS Supervisor and 22 part time EMT personnel where some are also trained firefighters.

The goals for 2016: We will have 4 fund raisers: 2 chicken BBQ's, gun raffle and golf outing. We have cut the budget as much as we can and it will be monitored closely.

**JAY PUSEY – MUSHROOM EXPRESS**

Mr. Pusey said he is here to discuss the Chester Water Authority water line they plan to install to Mushroom Express. There has been discussions about installing a fire hydrant during the water main installation. There is a fire hydrant 700 feet to the east and 1200 feet to the west and we don't feel that a fire hydrant is needed.

Jamie MacCombie said he spoke with Mr. Kilmer, Avondale Borough's Fire Marshal and he said that in his opinion a fire hydrant is necessary. Chester Water Authority said if the Fire Marshal deemed the fire hydrant necessary then it would need to be put in and the expense of the fire hydrant should be boreed by the applicant. The code is that a fire hydrant shouldn't be more than 600 feet from a facility. Mr. Pusey asked for a written report from the Fire Marshal. President Shore said we will get Mr. Kilmer to write a letter.

**LIEUTENANT D'AMBROSIO – AVONDALE STATE POLICE**

Lt. D'ambrosio said he has a report from the last 90 days.

Our troopers have handled 64 incidents in the Borough in the last 90 days. Breaking down the incidents we handled: 15 criminal, 4 assaults, 1 burglary and 3 criminal mischiefs, 4 thefts and 3 drug violations. We had 5 vehicle crashes with one of them a reportable accident.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JANUARY 16, 2016**

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the minutes from January 16, 2016, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

### **BOROUGH ENGINEER’S REPORT**

Jamie MacCombie gave the following report

#### **STATE STREET BRIDGE PROJECT**

McCormick Taylor sent a draft agreement between the County and the Borough relating to the design and construction of the existing 6” water main that needs to be relocated as part of the State Street Bridge Project. Mr. MacCombie said he just received it and will review and comment on it.

#### **ANHOLT SEWER MAIN EXTENSION**

We believe this issue has been resolved. Anholt is putting in an 8” gravity line to connect to the Borough’s manhole. They are also putting in a metering manhole at the Borough line. If there is another connection made by New Garden Township to that line, New Garden Township will put a meter in specified by Avondale Borough at their expense. NGT will have to calibrate it similar to the other meters, and read it for billing purposes. The fees will be wrapped into the agreement we already have with NGT so there won’t be a new agreement. They will put in the exact same water meter that the Borough uses at Anholt’s well to monitor just what their water use is to calculate sewer usage.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

#### **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to February 16, 2016, 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.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- There will be an Executive Session after this meeting to discuss a personnel issue.
- Work Session – Tuesday, March 8, 2016 @2:00 p.m.
- Council Meeting – Tuesday, March 15, 2015 @6:00 p.m.

Dave Besselman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Becky Brownback  
Borough Secretary