

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
January 19, 2016
6:00 P.M.**

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

GUESTS PRESENT: Sandy Masten, Jamie MacCombie, Glenn Diehl, Fred Walton, Rick Davis,
Chief Brian Sheller

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

CHIEF BRIAN SHELLER – PARKESBURG POLICE

Chief Sheller gave the following 2015 Year-End Report.

The patrol officers on duty in Avondale handled 1061 activities, incidents, or complaints. Issued 98 traffic citations, 6 non-traffic arrests, and 4 criminal arrests with three arrests still pending. Juvenile arrests were 4. District Court receipts for the year were \$26,522.97. Traveled 11,253 miles of road with 1511 patrol hours and 23 additional hours for court time. Our Traffic Safety Unit participated in several “regional” safety programs throughout 2015. We hosted a DUI checkpoint in May 2015 yielding hundreds of driver contacts and 4 arrests. We will again host another DUI checkpoint in 2016.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING - DECEMBER 15, 2016

Wilson Lysle made a motion to approve the minutes from December 15, 2015, 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

REORGANIZATION MEETING – JANUARY 4, 2016

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the minutes from January 4, 2016, 2nd by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Rick Davis reviewed his report with Council.

ROAD SAW PURCHASE

Wilson Lysle made a motion to approve the purchase of a 14” road saw for \$2,328.93, 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

WWTP OPERATIONS REPORT

Fred Walton gave the following report:

Everything is running well at the water and wastewater plant. We had one exceedance for the effluent total residual chlorine. The chlorine is manually injected and not being controlled by the way it was designed by flow reading. Whenever the flow drops at night you are still putting the same amount of chlorine in so your level can go up. It barely exceeded the instantaneous maximum limit and hasn't been a problem since then. We treated 10.7347 million gallons with an average of 346,500 gallons per day.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT

Jamie MacCombie gave the following report

WWTP PLANT INSPECTION

Mr. MacCombie said he did a walk through at the WWTP on October 27, 2015 to review the operation and maintenance with Fred Walton, Paul Gainor, Mayor Howell and Bill Shore. Mr. MacCombie submitted his report and went over his recommendations. A copy of this report is available at the Borough Office.

WELL UPDATE

DEP has the final report for the well and we are waiting on a response so we can apply for the permit. It is anticipated that a bid package could be completed to receive bids in March and start construction in the spring.

MUSHROOM EXPRESS-CWA WATER CONNECTION

Mr. MacCombie said the Borough's Fire Marshal needs to look at the proposed water connection and make a recommendation if a fire hydrant is needed. The closest fire hydrant is over 1,000 feet away which typically 600 feet is what the distance should be. Chester Water Authority said if the Fire Marshall requires the fire hydrant to be installed then CWA will put it in and the cost of \$2,700.00 will be charged to Mushroom Express for the fire hydrant and then the Borough would be charged an annual hydrant fee of \$435.00. After discussion, Council unanimously agreed they would not pay the annual fee for the fire hydrant.

STATE STREET BRIDGE PROJECT

Mr. MacCombie read an e-mail from McCormick Taylor, the Project Engineer for the bridge. "The project has not gone out to bid yet and the permitting for the bridge was submitted to DEP to get the general permit. The detour plan was submitted to PennDOT for their review and received final comments from PennDOT on the proposed bridge. The Borough will be hearing from the County soon regarding the right-a-way and easements needed for the project. Also, the Borough will be receiving an agreement regarding the design and construction of the water main that needs to be relocated. This agreement is currently at the County for review and then will be sent to the Borough for review and comments".

ANHOLT SEWER MAIN EXTENSION

Continued to review the proposed sewer extension and had discussion with the Borough Solicitor for New Garden Township to finalize details. Plan review comments are pending the submission of an escrow of \$1500.00 from New Garden Township to cover engineering & legal cost. From now on, all correspondence regarding Anholt will come through New Garden Township.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Steve Cummings made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to January 19, 2016, 2nd by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

TAPPING FEES – PAYMENT PLAN

Dave Besselman said a business in town plans to add an apartment and inquired about a payment plan for the tapping fees. Council decided to follow the ordinance and not allow a payment plan for the fees.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #2016-1 / HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Steve Cummings made a motion to approve Resolution #2016-1, 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

RESOLUTION #2016-2 / EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN & PROMULGATION

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve Resolution #2016-2, 2nd by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

DISASTER DECLARATION

Council approved and signed a Disaster Declaration for the pending weekend snow storm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Work Session – Tuesday, February 9, 2016 @2:00 p.m.
- Council Meeting – Tuesday, February 16, 2015 @6:00 p.m.

Dave Besselman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m., 2nd by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary