

**AVONDALE BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
November 18, 2014  
6:00 P.M.**

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

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Mayor Howell, Sandy Masten, Glenn Diehl, Cleve Price, Tom Lowry, Toby & Gregg Sydenstricter.

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

**RESIDENT AND PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Toby & Gregg Sydenstricter

Toby Sydenstricter said she and her husband are the owners of the Avon News Shop and they are interested into the possibility of setting up a Laundromat in part of the store and wanted to know if it is allowed and if so how much was involved. President Shore said there were a couple other people looking into a Laundromat and found that it can be really expensive because of the cost of sewer and water hookups. Tom Lowry said first they will need a study on how much capacity they would need. Mr. Lowry said that he will meet with the Sydenstricter's and go over the details.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the minutes from October 21, 2014, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

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

**BOROUGH SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

STOUT PROPERTY

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve Glenn Diehl to lien the Stout property at 26 Gap Newport Pike, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

**THOMPSON DECISION – SEWER CONNECTION FEES**

Glenn Diehl said he reviewed the Borough's and Authority's records and it is his opinion that the connection fees of \$800.00 that Mr. Thompson paid were not tapping fees but were fees for connecting to the Authority's main. Back in 1971, the Authority levied a front foot assessment rather than a tapping fee against parcels with frontage with access to the sewer mains. The front foot assessment right for Mr. Thompson's property was used. Steve Cummings made a motion to approve Glenn to send the letter to Mr. Thompson along with a refund check of \$800.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to November 18, 2014, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve the financial statements, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

2015 BUDGET

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve to advertise the 2015 budget, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Dottie Howell gave the following report

TREE LIGHTING

The Tree lighting will take place on Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Dave Besselman made a motion to approve \$300.00 for tree lighting supplies, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

FIRE POLICE VOLUNTEER WORK

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve up to \$500.00 to buy Wawa gift cards for the fire police as a token of the Mayor and Council's appreciation for all the volunteer work they do in the Borough, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Wilson Lysle made a motion to approve up to \$500.00 for Christmas luncheon at the December Council meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2014-5 – SUPPORT RADAR GUNS FOR LOCAL POLICE

Wilson Lysle made a motion to approve Resolution #2014-5, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Work Session – Tuesday, December 9, 2014 @2:00 p.m.
- Council Meeting – Tuesday, December 16, 2014 @6:00 p.m.

Steve Cummings made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Becky Brownback  
Borough Secretary