

**AVONDALE BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
October 21, 2014  
6:00 P.M.**

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

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Mayor Howell, Sandy Masten, Glenn Diehl, Cleve Price, Tom Lowry, William Rhodes, Charlie Gerbron, Bob Grabus, Bob Listerman, Dennis Melton

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**

**WILLIAM RHODES PROPERTY – CHARLIE GERBRON**

Mr. Gerbron said he is an attorney representing Mr. Rhodes regarding the violation letters that were received several months ago from Mr. Lowry. Basically, the violations involved a back yard clean up with over decades of accumulation. Mr. Gerbron said the property has been cleared and he and Mr. Rhodes are here to make sure the Borough is satisfied with the cleanup. Mr. Lowry informed Council that he is satisfied with the cleanup. Council thanked Mr. Rhodes for his cooperation and are satisfied with the cleanup.

**ROUTE 1 ECONONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Bob Listerman said the County Commissioners want to avoid what happened along Route 202 as far as the poor planning and how it developed. The Chester County Economic Council wants to find out what the municipalities want along the Route 1 Corridor and how we can help. The Route 1 Corridor goes from Pennsbury Township to West Nottingham Township. Bill Shore said any new development will end up on Route 41 and that is a big problem. The Borough has a couple parcels and one developer who hasn't finished his housing development of 200+ townhomes located by the quarry but other than that we are built out.

Bob Grabus said Route 41 just has to be worked on and he has made it a mission of his to make sure he raises the issues to the highest level. Until we solve the issues with Route 41 this whole area is impeded. Mr. Grabus said he has been talking to the Commissioners, the County Transportation planner, Senators, and Congressman. Bill Shore asked if there is anything the Borough can do to give him support. Mr. Grabus said he would love to sit down with a few people from the Borough and find out the needs and issues are of the Borough. Mr. Grabus will set up a meeting with the Secretary.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve the minutes from September 16, 2014, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

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

**CLAY CREEK ROAD CONSTRUCTION RELEASE**

Cleve Price said the Clay Creek Road Improvements Project has been completed and we need Council to authorize the construction release to Joseph E. Sucher & Sons, Inc. Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the construction release of \$114,313.38, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

HEATER REPAIR FOR TREATMENT PLANT

Wilson Lysle made a motion to approve up to \$2,500.00 to repair the heater at the treatment plant, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

**BOROUGH SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

RESOLUTION #2014-4 – FEES FOR REGISTRATION APPLICATION AND INSPECTIONS

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve Resolution #2014-4, 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 October 21, 2014, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Dottie Howell gave the following report

HALLOWEEN PARADE AND TRICK OR TREAT

The Halloween Parade will be held on Friday, October 31st at 5:30 p.m. The parade starts at the intersection of Third Street and Morris Alley and ends at Servpro where prizes for best costumes will be awarded. Trick or Treat will be immediately following from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Fire Police, Parkesburg Police and State Police will be onsite and around town for the safety of the children.

COMMISSIONER'S GRANT AWARD

The Commissioner's Grant Award Ceremony will take place on Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at noon at the Avondale Fire Company.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Work Session – Tuesday, November 11, 2014 @2:00 p.m.
- Council Meeting – Tuesday, November 18, 2014 @6:00 p.m.

Abby Pyle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Becky Brownback  
Borough Secretary