

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 20, 2012
6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Shore, Steve Cummings, Dave Besselman, Junior Snyder, Jim Duffy, Abby Pyle

GUESTS PRESENT: Sandy Masten, Glenn Diehl, Jamie MacCombie, Pete Lau, William Fansler, Dave Friedman, Davis Howell, John Langille, Bob Grabus, Gary Smith, Claude Osgood, Chris Anciboresko

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

CHESTER COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (CCEDC)

Bob Grabus and Gary Smith spoke about the benefits of the CCEDC and explained that their main objective is working with municipalities on a task force to create businesses and jobs along the Route 1 corridor. It is County sponsored and business leaders run this organization helping businesses find locations, financing, grant writing, and infrastructure.

JOHN LANGILLE – DUST ON POMEROY DRIVE

John Langille, Claude Osgood and Chris Anciboresko all requested something be done about the dust on Pomeroy Drive. After discussion, Jim Duffy made a motion to approve up to \$1,800.00 to apply a single application of MC-30 Dust oil on Pomeroy Drive, 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

EEMA REPORT

Council reviewed the monthly report. Bill Shore requested that the monthly maintenance expenses be itemized.

NORTH CLARIFIER

Steve Cummings made a motion to approve \$3,652.40 for a 5 year inspection and maintenance on the north clarifier, 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried. This was put in the 2012 budget.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT

Jamie MacCombie gave the following report:

2012 REVITALIZATION GRANT APPLICATION – RESOLUTION 2012-3

Dave Besselman made a motion to adopt Resolution #2012-3, 2nd by Jim Duffy, motion carried. This Resolution authorizes and directs Borough Officials to apply to Chester County to help fund a project to extend a 12” water main within the Borough Park and Third Street from the terminus of Second Street at the Borough Park to a point on Church Street, approximately 150 feet South of Third Street. The grant amount is \$353,347.50.

WATERLINE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT- PHASE 3

Mr. MacCombie recommended approving the bid from JOAO & Bradley Construction Company. The Borough received a grant in the amount of \$700,000.00. The first phase of Phase 3 came in around

\$761,070.00. He recommended approving the contract for \$700,720.00 which would require Avondale to pay the \$720.00. The following items are proposed to be amended:

Item 8-2A Modified. Reduce the quantity form 1,500 CY to 250 CY.	Save \$ 26,250.00
Item 9 - #57 Stone. Reduce the quantity from 250 CY to 50 CY	Save \$ 4,600.00
Item 44-Sidewalk. Reduce the quantity form 2,000 SF to 500 SF	Save \$ 13,500.00
Item 45-Handicap Ramps. Reduce the quantity from 9 to 4 ramps.	<u>Save \$ 16,000.00</u>
Total Savings	\$60,350.00

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the contract with JOAO & Bradley Construction Company as amended for \$700,720.00 for Phase 3 waterline extension project subject to the concurrence of the County, 2nd by Jim Duffy, motion carried.

BOROUGH SOLICITORS REPORT

Glenn Diehl gave the following report:

GREENHOUSE PROPERTY

The property is not in foreclosure.

STATE STREET BRIDGE ISSUE

Preliminary objections were received from the County. Mr. Diehl will send Clarification on some of the items.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ORDINANCE

Mr. Diehl will put in the Deputy language and have it ready for adoption at the next meeting.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to March 20, 2012, 2nd by Junior Snyder, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

2011 AUDIT

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve Haggerty and Haggerty to do the 2011 Audit for \$18,000.00, 2nd by Jim Duffy, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COUNCIL MEETING

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the minutes from February 21, 2012, 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

SKIP REYNOLDS – 215 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE / SEWER CHARGE RELIEF

Dave Besselman said Mr. Reynolds had a water leak in the basement and it was repaired on April 28, 2011. Mr. Reynolds is requesting relief from the sewer charges on the 2nd quarter of 2011. The usage for

that period was 207,000 gallons and the average usage was calculated at 49,500 gallons. Dave Besselman made a motion to approve a credit to Skip Reynolds in the amount of \$1,695.95 from the 2nd quarter of 2011, 2nd by Jim Duffy, motion carried. This credit was given because the water did not go into the sewer system. The customer pays for the water.

Mr. Besselman said that Mr. Reynolds is also asking for relief on the 3rd quarter of 2011. The usage was 207,000 gallons. At this time, this usage cannot be justified and Dave Friedman from EEMA is investigating.

PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

RENTAL PROPERTY

President Shore said Council needs to make a decision on whether to repair or demolish the rental property. Dave Besselman and Steve Cummings are working on getting estimates to repair the building. The Secretary is looking into the cost of metered electric service to the building.

PARK & COMPOSTING COMMITTEE

PARK CLEAN UP

Steve Cummings and Dave Besselman are working together on a park clean-up day.

NEW BUSINESS

TRANSFER FUNDS

Dave Besselman made a motion to transfer \$14,000.00 from Plgit to the Sewer Fund, 2nd by Jim Duffy, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Water and Sewer Committee will meet on April 10, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.
- Council Meeting April 17, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
- There will be an Executive Session after this meeting to discuss a personnel issue.

Jim Duffy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m., 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary