

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 15, 2012
6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Shore, Steve Cummings, Dave Besselman, Jim Duffy, Abby Pyle
one vacancy: Junior Snyder passed away on May 7, 2012. Wilson Lysle was appointed and sworn in as
new Council member at 7:45 p.m.

GUESTS PRESENT: Mayor Howell, Sandy Masten, Glenn Diehl, Pete Lau, William Fansler,
Dave Friedman, Davis Howell, Bob Longley, Danny Rosazza, Sherry Seace, Dillon Seace, Jared Seace

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

There was a moment of silence for the passing of Junior Snyder.

PROPOSED WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ORDINANCE

President Shore opened the public hearing. There were no public comments. The public hearing was
closed.

ORDINANCE #237 ADOPTION – WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Dave Besselman made a motion to adopt Ordinance #237, 2nd by Jim Duffy, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

DANNY ROSAZZA

Mr. Rosazza said they just had the annual Ducky Race and the next year's race will be on April 20, 2013.

EEMA REPORT

Council reviewed the monthly report. Steve Cummings asked about the high sludge hauling. William
Fansler said with the sludge production increases with warmer weather.

FENCE AT RESERVOIR

Steve Cummings made a motion to approve up to \$2,295.00 to install a fence to protect the valves at the
reservoir, 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

SOUTH WELL PUMP REPLACEMENT

Dave Friedman said three bids were received for the replacement of the well pump #2, video inspection,
and well yield test. We are not sure how deep the well is because old documents show different depths.
There are three options for different size motors. President Shore asked if the wells were videoed since
Council approved it last month. Mr. Friedman said no that it was included with this bid and you can't
video unless you remove the well pump because it sits right on top. Electrically the well houses are in
about as good shape as they are going to get. Jim Duffy made a motion to approve K.L. Madron for up to
\$25,000.00 to replace the well pump, video, well yield test, and engineering fees, 2nd by Dave Besselman,
motion carried. This will be paid out of the General Fund for emergency pump replacement. Mr.
Friedman said this well will be able to be integrated with the well head protection project.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT

Jamie MacCombie was absent from this meeting.

WATERLINE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT- PHASE 3 – CONSTRUCTION RELEASE #2

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the construction release of \$171,546.30 to JOAO & Bradley Construction Company, Inc., 2nd by Abby Pyle, motion carried. Note: JOAO & Bradley will not be paid until the County releases the money to Avondale Borough.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to May 15, 2012, 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve the financial statements, 2nd by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jim Duffy made a motion to approve the minutes from April 17, 2012, 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

AVONDALE FIRE COMPANY'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY

The fire company will be having their anniversary celebration on September 22, 2012 and they would like all Council Members to attend so please save the date.

STREETS AND STREETLIGHTS COMMITTEE

SIDEWALK ENFORCEMENT

Bill Shore will meet with Tom Lowry on this issue.

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Dave Besselman gave the following report: The Committee met on May 8, 2012.

MAXIMUM FITNESS INVOICE

Ken Finley attended the meeting to discuss his invoice he received for engineering and attorney's fees. Mr. Finley was upset because he wasn't given advance notice that he was responsible for paying these fees. Herb MacCombie will supply a breakdown of the hours spent on this project. Mr. Finley was looking for a cost reduction but wasn't offered one and he may need to be put on a payment plan. The office will make it a practice to notify owners of upcoming invoices for projects.

313 CHURCH STREET

Marlene Tinnin owner of 313 Church Street received a high water and sewer bill for over \$1,446.60. The meter was checked and apparently the meter is working properly. The Committee agreed to swap out the meter because the water usage appeared to be excessive and the Committee made arrangements with the owner that she could pay the bill over three months and it was confirmed in writing. The old meter will be sent to Sensus to be tested. The cost of the meter testing will be waived since the Committee recommended the meter swap out.

NEW BILL FORMAT

Dave Besselman made a motion to change the bill format from the postcard to a 8 ½ x 11 format, 2nd by Jim Duffy, motion carried.

RESERVOIR COVER INSPECTION

Steve Cummings made a motion to approve \$2,500.00 for J.H. Waters, Inc. to inspect the cover and if needed, repair a tear of 1' or less, 2nd by Jim Duffy, motion carried.

PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

Since Junior chaired this committee, Bill Shore volunteered to be the chair person.

CONCRETE SAW

This will be discussed at budget time.

PARK & COMPOSTING COMMITTEE

PARK CLEAN UP REPORT

Steve Cummings thanked those that volunteered for the park clean up. There was a lot done at Indian Run Road Park. Dominick still has to clean up about six piles of wood. We cleaned back about 30 extra feet toward the creek and Dominick will continue to mow this area. There are dangerous trees on Russ Kilmer's property that need to be taken down; Steve will talk to Russ about this. A big thank you goes out to Rich Walkup from the Avondale Apartments who supplied lunch.

RESIDENT COMMENT

DILLON & JARED SEACE

Dillon Seace said he is working on a Citizenship in the Community merit badge for the boy scouts project. Dillon said he is supposed to write down anything interesting that happened in the meeting. Dillon said he thought that the Borough needs more cops for speeding cars on the streets. Jared Seace found the fire house ceremony celebration interesting.

WILSON LYSLE – COUNCIL MEMBER APPOINTMENT – RESOLUTION #2012-4

Dave Besselman made a motion to adopt Resolution #2012-4 appointing Wilson Lysle as Council Member to fill the vacancy of Junior Snyder, 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried. Mayor Howell swore in Wilson Lysle as Council Member. This term will end January 1, 2014.

Council went into Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. Council back from Executive Session at 9:25 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

ROSAZZA'S GREENHOUSE

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve estimating Rosazza's Greenhouse bill for one year until the cost and installation of a new meter/pit are researched, 2nd by Jim Duffy, motion carried.

BILL WILKINSON FOR

Dave Besselman made a motion to send Charles Wilkinson a bill for the repairs done to the water side of the plant and the emergency repair of the well pump, 2nd by Jim Duffy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Water and Sewer Committee will meet on June 12, 2012 at 2:30 p.m.
- Council Meeting June 19, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.
- There was an executive session to discuss legal issues.

Abby Pyle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m., 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary