

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
September 17, 2013
6:00 P.M.**

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

GUESTS PRESENT: Mayor Howell, Sandy Masten, Jamie MacCombie, Glenn Diehl, Tom Lowry, Cleve Price, Kathy King from Anholt, Monty Basciani, Michael Basciani

There was a moment of silence for the recent tragedy in Washington DC and the remembrance of 911. After the Pledge of Allegiance, the meeting was called to order by President Shore at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael Basciani – Owner Of the Old Bank and Post Office Building

Michael Basciani said he came to the meeting to get some suggestions from Council on what business they would like to see in the Borough. Council said they welcome any new businesses but would like to see a nice restaurant come into town. Council thanked the Basciani's for coming to the meeting and wished them good luck with whatever they choose to do.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve the minutes from August 20, 2013 and August 27, 2013, 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Council reviewed the Cleve Price's report.

RADIO READ EQUIPMENT

Cleve said he received the radio read equipment and had training on installation and to date they have over 152 radios installed. Concentrating on getting these installed as a priority.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT

Dennis O'Neill gave the following report

INDIAN RUN ROAD – PROJECT COST FOR BUDGET

The total cost estimate for budget purposes is \$317,485 for reconstruction of Indian Run Road from the intersection at West State Street for approximately 1,500 lineal feet to the Borough line; the proposed width would be to 20'. The existing road varies in width from 16'-19'.

STREAMBANK RESTORATION – INDIAN RUN ROAD

The grant to do the bank restoration was moved to another program called the Waterways Program. Dennis from Jamie's office drafted a letter for Becky to sign committing the Borough to commit up to \$32,826.00 in Borough match for the project. The Borough has already received some of this funding. The FEMA funding that were received as part of a match needs to go with this grant if successful. The FEMA money expires in November and Council needs to approve that it be extended. Council made a

motion to move forward with the grant for the streambank restoration, authorize Becky to sign the letter to DCED and ask for an extension on the grant, 2nd by Wilson Lysle, motion carried.

NEW ACT 167 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN & MODEL ORDINANCE

The Borough is required to have in place a new stormwater ordinance by January 2, 2014. This is a stand-alone ordinance and it requires any existing ordinances to be eliminated and tailored to fit into one ordinance. Jamie MacCombie and Glenn Diehl will review.

CLAY CREEK ROAD

Council approved Jamie MacCombie to move forward with the bidding process for the improvements to Clay Creek Road.

BOROUGH SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Glenn Diehl gave the following report:

ANHOLT INDUSTRIES – WATER SERVICE

Jamie MacCombie and Glenn Diehl are working on the intermunicipal agreement between Avondale Borough and New Garden Township to supply Anholt with water service. Glenn Diehl said this will be an agreement to provide bulk service to New Garden Township and Anholt will be the customer of NGT. The agreement will identify the two parcels that is Anholt's property. Any other connections will have to be separately evaluated and reviewed and accepted by Avondale and New Garden.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to September 17, 2013, 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Howell gave the following report:

HALLOWEEN

Trick or Treat – Council approved Trick or Treat Night for Thursday, October 31, 2013 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. for children 12 and under.

Parade – Mayor Howell said she is organizing a parade that will start at Third Street at Morris Alley and then walk to Servpro. Mayor Howell asked Council to approve up to \$300.00 for prizes for the best costumes. Wilson Lysle made a motion to approve up to \$300.00 for best costume prizes, 2nd by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

Light Sticks – Wilson Lysle made a motion to spend up to \$500.00 on light sticks to be given out on Halloween, 2nd by Abby Pyle, motion carried. The Secretary will take care of ordering the light sticks.

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

The Christmas tree lighting will be held at Servpro on December 5, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Water and Sewer Committee will meet on Tuesday, October 8 at 2:30 p.m.
- Council Meeting October 15, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Abby Pyle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m., 2nd by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary