

**AVONDALE BOROUGH  
WORK SESSION  
NOVEMBER 9, 2021  
6:00 P.M.**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bill Shore, Dave Besselman, Bob McCue, Dottie Howell

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Sandy Masten, Dennis O'Neill, Kim Venzie, Mike Bostic, Louise Cleveland, Susan Rzcudlo, Michael Essmaker

**BOROUGH SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Kim Venzie gave the following report:

**WCF PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

You have a bunch of laws in Pennsylvania that govern wireless facilities. There are laws that govern the tall wireless towers and there is a new set of laws that govern the small wireless. These are poles that are under 50' in height that are popping up along the roadways. They are either single poles or on existing poles. The ordinance is to address the towers or facilities that don't qualify as small wireless facilities. Small wireless facilities are separately regulated by the State and Federal Government. The Borough's existing wireless ordinance in the zoning ordinance is lacking; it doesn't meet State or Federal law. The existing ordinance is about two pages long and needs to be more comprehensive. The SWF Ordinance is a standalone ordinance to regulate and manage SWF within the Borough. There would be an application and cost associated with the application and processing. The application cost is \$500 and may include up to five small wireless facilities and \$1,000 for a new pole. There would be a Right-of-Way access fee of \$200 per SWF per year. These fees are mandated by federal law. The Resolution & SWF Design Guidelines go hand and hand with the SWF Ordinance and allow the Borough to retain some design control. If the Borough doesn't adopt the ordinances, any applicant who wanted to put in wireless facilities would follow Act 50 which wouldn't give the Borough any control of where it is placed. Bob McCue made a motion to approve to advertise the WCF Ordinance and the SWF Ordinance, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

**BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORT**

Dennis O'Neill gave the following report:

**CLARIFIER REBUILD KIT / GEAR BOX**

The cost proposal from Iron Horse Environmental to rebuild the clarifier is \$6,286.58 for parts and \$35,230.00 in labor. This includes taking the clarifier out and supporting the rail system. Includes the crane, electrical work and all the cable supports and then re-installing everything. We are still under the budget estimate of \$60,000.00. With the supply chain issues, he would like to tell Iron Horse to order the parts.

**12 INDIAN RUN ROAD**

95% of the concerns have been addressed. We still have a problem with how they have the water running down the driveway. It looks like it will bypass the stormwater management system and run to the road. We asked them to think about putting in a trench drain at the bottom of the driveway.

**2021 BUDGET REQUESTS**

**FIRE / EMS TAX PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve to advertise the ordinance, 2<sup>ND</sup> by Bob McCue, motion carried. This will be advertised for the December meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Becky Brownback  
Borough Secretary