# AVONDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING JULY 26, 2016 6:00 P.M.

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

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Mayor Howell, Sandy Masten, Jamie MacCombie, Kim Venzie, Rick Davis, Officer Jebiz Anderson, Chief Brian Sheller, Tom Baker,

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

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

The July 19, 2016 meeting was cancelled and re-scheduled for today July 26, 2016. The Public Notice was posted at the Borough Building and advertised in the Daily Local News on Sunday, July 10, 2016.

## **RESIDENT REQUEST**

#### KATHY KILMER

President Shore said Kathy Kilmer is requesting ivy to be placed on the fence at the sewer plant for noise control. Council discussed this issue and all agreed that the ivy is heavy and pulls the fence down. President Shore said a noise test was done in that area a few years ago and the test showed there was no excessive noise. Council unanimously agreed not to place ivy on the fence.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Wilson Lysle made a motion to approve the minutes from June 21, 2016, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

## **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Rick Davis gave the following report:

# **COMPOSTING FACILITY**

Received three proposals for clearing out the composting facility which includes using their equipment, chipping and hauling it out:

Roger Summers Contractor \$2,800.00 E & J Contractors \$3,850.00 Rick's Tree Service \$4,800.00

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve Roger Summer's Contractor at \$2,800.00 to clear the composting facility, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

#### **BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Jamie MacCombie gave the following report

## EICHELBERGERS, INC. - WELL DRILLING

Dave Besselman made a motion to approve up to \$11,735.00 for the draw down water quality testing, the silt sock, and E & S, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Abby Pyle, motion carried.

## FEMA FLOOD PLAIN MAPS AND ORDINANCES

Jamie said that DCED has provided a model ordinance and will provide assistance in preparation and review of the Borough's ordinance. Council directed Kim Venzie and Jamie to work together on getting the required ordinance prepared. Jamie's office is working on preparing a list of the properties in the flood prone areas.

# **BOROUGH SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Kim Venzie gave the following report:

## STATE STREET BRIDGE UPDATE

The County has all the documents from the Borough needed to proceed with the bridge construction. Ms. Venzie said she will try and find out a start date.

## STOUT UPDATE

Ms. Venzie and Scott Moran are working on getting this matter resolved. There are renters there living in unsafe conditions.

#### **GREASE TRAP ORDINANCE**

Kim will draft an ordinance for Council's review and have it ready for Council's approval to advertise at the September meeting.

## **BRICKHOUSE PROPOSAL**

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve the Brickhouse Environmental proposal for \$8,110.00 with the stipulation of Kim auditing the general terms and conditions,  $2^{nd}$  by Dave Besselman, motion carried.

# **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

#### APPROVAL OF BILLS

Abby Pyle made a motion to approve the bills to be paid up to July 26, 2016, 2nd by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

# **APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

# **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE**

Mayor Howell said she received a proposal from Ray Ott and Associates for \$32,000.00. Under the County's Vision Partnership Program, the County will pay 70% of project costs and the net cost to the Borough would be \$3,200.00. Mayor Howell said Justin Smiley from the County said he would get the County's proposal by the end of this month. Council agreed to wait until we have both proposals.

#### **POLICE SERVICES**

Wilson Lysle made a motion to contract police services with New Garden Township, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Besselman, Abby Pyle-nay, Steve Cummings-nay, Bill Shore-nay. The vote was 3-2 against contracting with the New Garden Police department. Parkesburg Police Department will continue to serve as the Borough's contracted police service.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

#### ANDREW DIFILIPPO - RESIGNATION

President Shore said Andrew DiFilippo submitted his resignation effective Monday, July 25, 2016.

# **ZONING HEARING - 325 CHURCH STREET**

President Shore announced that a Zoning Hearing will take place on August 24, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. The application is to get several variance reliefs on constructing a single family dwelling in the R-3 Zoning District.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Work Session Tuesday, August 9, 2016 @2:00 p.m.
- Council Meeting Tuesday, August 16, 2016 @6:00 p.m.

Abby Pyle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Cummings, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Becky Brownback Borough Secretary