

**BOROUGH OF RED HILL
COUNCIL MINUTES
Wednesday, July 1, 2009
7:00 pm**

President, Thomas Paul, called CALL TO ORDER a meeting of the Red Hill Borough Council to order on the above date at 7:02p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Paul Snyder, Charles McCleary, John Smith, Mark Rober

OTHERS PRESENT: Secretary, Darlene Stoudt, Mayor, David Schiffgens

VISITORS:

ACTION ON MINUTES: A motion to approve the Minutes of June 3, June 10, was made by John Smith and seconded by Paul Snyder. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION: -

**Shannon Bieler, UPRPC Representative
John Lear, Pennsburg Council President
John Kataris, Czop/Specter**

Tom Paul gave the following synopsis on the 11st Traffic Light Project:

Contributions:

Montgomery County Commissioners -	\$77,539.00
Pennsburg Borough	\$52,400.00
Upper HanoverTwp.	\$48,400.00
Red Hill Borough	\$40,000.00
DCED Grant	\$10,000.00
East Greenville Borough	\$ 2,000.00
UPRPC	\$ 5,000.00
Green Lane Borough	\$ 4,000.00
UP School District	<u>\$ 3,400.00</u>
	\$242, 739.00

Lenni Electric bid - \$213, 139.95

Bills paid to date:

McCormick Taylor	\$18,418.71 Design of intersection, Pa Dot, HOP and bid specs)
Czop/Specter (Pennsburg borough engineer)	\$6,507.26 (this included the survey work of the intersection of \$5000.00 Plus easements
Garner & Bauer Pennsburg borough solicitor)	\$1,256.00 Preparation of Agreement between Pennsburg, Red Hill, Upper Hanover; preparation of easements.
Total	\$26, 181.97

\$242,739.00 (total of all money) - \$26,181.97 (spent so far) = \$216,557.03

Total of \$3,427.06 remaining

If there are serious issues with securing the easements, a \$1000.00 is put aside to handle this problem.

Charles McCleary addressed several issues:

1. Requested Copy of the quote for the following items:
 - Delinear lights
 - Pre-empt devices
 - Pedestrian lights
 - LED lights
2. Vendor will confirm to the Borough of Pennsburg specs.
3. Traffic signal ordinance

John Lear addressed the following issues:

- Back-up generator (control box) would be situated in Pennsburg.
- PPL charges would be taken from liquid fuel funds - a system would be put into place
- Pennsburg easements - Sands and Thompson are not seeking money.

John Lear stated that paperwork was sent to Sands and Thompson on the sidewalk easements stating the minimal impact on the use of the land.

John Lear stated that a red signal ahead will be installed at the Professional Pharmacy before crossing the railroad bridge.

Handicap ramp:

John Lear stated that Pa Dot is overlaying Main Street impacting the crosswalk with the latest requirements. The state does the right of way on the ramp. Plans will be submitted to the traffic engineer to design the intersection creating two plans which would be reviewed for problems. At that point, the borough will not be part of the plans.

Tom Paul stated that the Red Hill council is in favor of the 11st traffic project.

Doris Decker made a motion to contribute \$7,200.00 for the traffic lights and to pay for all costs of the easements, if legal costs arise; and to retain \$5000, 00 in an account for future additional expenses. Mark Rober seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Tom Paul and council thanked Shannon Bieler and John Lear for diligently pursuing this project.

RHFC/FIRE MARSHALL: - John Lehr, Fire Marshall

UPPER MONTGOMERY JOINT AUTHORITY: - Larry Morton

RHPC/UPRPC: David Schiffgens

UPRPC –

RHPC –BUDGET & PERSONNEL: - Charles McCleary

Charles McCleary stated that Kalin Schweizhof did not return to work after June 25, 2009; Matthew D'Ippolito completed an application for employment and accepted the recycling position replacing Kalin Schweizhof on July 6th 2009.

Charles McCleary made a motion to hire Matthew D'Ippolito at an hourly wage of \$10.00 with a starting date of 07/06/09 and John Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

CODE REVIEW: - Doris Decker

GENERAL SERVICES: - John Smith

PARKS & RECREATION: Paul Snyder

SANITATION AND RECYCLING: Faith Diascro

REVITALIZATION - Doris Decker

MAYOR: David Schiffgens

ENGINEER: Ryan Kern, Barry Isett Associates

SOLICITOR: Mark Hosterman

SECRETARY/TREASURER: –

PRESIDENT: Thomas Paul

New Business:

LTL -

Tom Paul stated to council to review their information on BIA and LTL Code Enforcements costs and have an answer for the July 8, 2009 meeting.

Adjournment: - On a motion of Mark Rober, seconded by Paul Snyder and a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Stoudt