

KNOX BOROUGH REGULAR MEETING
June 1, 2015
7:30 PM
MUNICIPAL BUILDING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jack Bish, Jr., Rich Cochran, Thomas Goble, Carl Salser, Michael Leahy, a "Bill" Henry III

MEMBERS ABSENT: Linda Runyan

OTHERS PRESENT: Mayor Frank Agnello, Secretary/Treasurer Sharon Heeter, EADS Engineer M Knox Borough Police Chief Jason Bowen, Maintenance Supervisor Jeffrey "Woody" McCleary, Knc John Marshall, Officer Codie Webster, and Clarion News Reporter Scott Seely

KNOX BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING was called to order at 7:35 pm by President Jack Bish, Jr

MINUTES of the May 4, 2015 regular council meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion n seconded by Carl Salser. All were in favor. MC

VISITORS: Pam Raybuck asked Council about getting Knox Borough water and sewage on her prop Road so she may build a home. She was told by Keith Decker at the time she purchased the property water and sewer tap.

Pam realizes that she will have to pay to run the lines since she is in Beaver Township.

Council told her she must first go to the Beaver Township Sewage Authority and ask if they want her allow, she can be a Knox Borough customer after running the lines from the borough to her property and water taps.

As far as for her getting water, Knox does not own the water lines that would work best for her prope would work the best for her is owned by Terry Kahle, Harold Baker, and the Knox Borough Sewer Pl which Keith Decker owns on Schettler Road which may also work for her. She will have to talk to th permission to tap in or she will have to come back to the Borough line and run a new line to her prop

AMBULANCE/FIRE – William "Bill" Henry Chairman – Bill stated that the Knox Area Volunteer A ambulance broken down right now so they have only one available at this time.

Bill said he had missed the last Knox Fire Company meeting so Rich Cochran filled in stating that the being resided a two tone gray and the inside is undergoing some remodeling.

BUILDING/MAINTENANCE: Michael Leahy Chairman - No report

BUDGET/FINANCE: Tom Goble Chairman – Tom Goble made a motion to approve the April 2015 Rich Cochran seconded the motion. All were in favor. MC.

COMMUNITY PLANNING: Linda Runyan Chairman - Since Linda was absent, Jack Bish did the C Report.

Jack did not have anything to report from the Knox Revitalization Committee or the Farmers Market.

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The Council members were presented with the audit done on the Horsethief Celebration books. They reviewed the audit and found it in order.

Tom Goble made the motion to release the monies for the Horsethief Celebration to the Fire Company in the amount of \$1,500.00 and \$2,500.00 to the Horsethief Committee at this time. Bill Henry seconded the motion. All were in favor with Rich Cochran abstaining because he is a member of the Fire Company. MC

LIBRARY: Tom Goble Chairman – The library has sent letters to the local communities asking for their contributions. Knox has a contribution listed on their bill list to be paid for this month. Tom stated that mid-year is financially the toughest time for the library.

ORDINANCE: Bill Henry Chairman – No report.

PERSONNEL: Michael Leahy Chairman – The Council reviewed the maintenance report

Tom Goble made the motion to renew the employees' health plan with Health America and Bill Henry seconded. All were in favor. MC

POLICE: Carl Salser Chairman

Council reviewed the Police report for May. They had 10 calls for the month.

Carl Salser wanted to commend the Police Department on their work with CNET and the recent drug bust.

Carl spoke about the "Fill a Car" food drive that the Police Department is holding at Tom's Riverside on June 6th. The proceeds will go to the Knox Caring Cupboard.

SEWAGE: Rich Cochran Chairman – The sewer flows for April and part of May were reviewed.

Rich Cochran made a motion to send the Amendment to the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement to Beaver Township Sewer Authority to review and sign and Tom Goble seconded the motion. All were in favor. MC

Knox Borough Council thanked Barb and Harold Baker for granting us the easement for the new wastewater plant drive.

Tom Goble made the motion and Carl Salser seconded to approve the Modification of Debt Obligation and Other Funding Documents after John Marshall's review. All were in favor. MC

Rich Cochran made the motion to permit EADS Group to advertise the Knox Borough Sewer Plant Construction Project plan for bids when completed and Tom Goble seconded the motion. All were in favor. MC

STREET: Carl Salser Chairman – Carl stated that he felt the street sweeper did a good even though the cost was higher than the previous year.

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Several street problems were addressed for which Woody had asked three companies for proposals – Allegheny Contracting, Rankin & Son Excavating, and Mealy Excavating.

The first project is an emergency storm drain and under road problem on Woodland Heights Drive. The proposals came in as:

Allegheny Contracting	\$29,829.00
Rankin & Son Excavating	\$19,300.00
Mealy Excavating	No proposal was received

Tom Goble made the motion to award Rankin & Son Excavating the job and Rich Cochran seconded. All were in favor. MC

Seconded street issue to consider is to repair an inlet on Willow/Spruce – the only proposal received was from Rankin & Son Excavating for \$4,000.00. Tom Goble made the motion to award Rankin & Son Excavating the job at the cost of \$4,000.00. Carl Salser seconded the motion. All were in favor. MC

The third issue is to repair/replace 4 storm inlets along SR 208 and the proposals were:

Allegheny Contracting	\$13,977.00
Rankin & Son Excavating	\$16,500.00

Tom Goble made the motion to have Allegheny Contracting do the work on SR 208. Michael Leahy seconded the motion. All were in favor. MC

Jim Schepis with PennDOT is coming on June 6th to ride with Carl Salser and Woody McCleary to help decide what street work should be done first. The budget would allow \$25,000 to \$35,000 dollars for the work. They will bring their findings to the July meeting.

WATER: Rich Cochran Chairman – The Knox Borough Water Works annual was given to Council to review.

Woody asked Council if he could order Keystone School a new water meter to replace back up meter that is now being used. The other one was placed in the school in 1972 and is no longer working properly. Rich Cochran made the motion to purchase a new water meter from L/B Water at a cost of \$985.94 and the motion was seconded by Tom Goble. All were in favor. MC.

MAYOR’S REPORT: Mayor Agnello talked in his report about the wonderful Knox Community Memorial Day Remembrance held on Sunday May 24th at the Park. The Remembrance service was outstanding and the park and cemetery was light up with some 200 luminaries honoring our service men and women. The Knox Civic Club did a great job with the event as they do with many events in the Borough.

The featured business for May was “Stay & Play Learning Center”. The center came to Knox in September of 2014 and is owned and operated by Monica Smith. The business has 4 employees including Monica and is currently providing daycare to some 21 kids from all over Clarion and Venango counties. Their hours of operation are from 6:30 am to 5 pm daily. They are flexible and depending on the requests will stay open later than the 5 pm mark. The mayor says “Thanks” to Monica and her staff and hopes that they “stay and play” in town for a long time.

NEW BUSINESS: Jack had discussed the possibilities of purchasing a new maintenance truck with Council at the last work session. After some discussion, Tom Goble made the motion to table purchasing a new truck until the August meeting and Carl Salser seconded the motion. All were in favor. MC.

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The County of Clarion Department of Planning and Development sent Knox Borough an environmental impact statement for their 2013 and 2014 CDBG Projects. The purpose is to request a review of the projects in regards to our jurisdiction should these projects be granted. Knox found there would not be any negative impact. Marshall to inform them of our response.

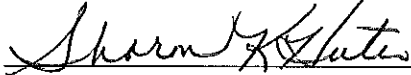
PAYMENT OF BILLS: Tom Goble made the motion to pay the bills as presented with the addition of County Recorder for the Baker easement and Rich Cochran seconded. All were in favor. MC

Before adjournment Bill Henry talked to Council about a lateral issue that was recently brought to his attention by Henry Burkhart development. Marty stated that Woody had heard the newest house that Henry Burkhart built for sale and felt they should tell the realtor about the problem with the sewer line to that house. That is notified that the house had a sewer main line issue.

Marty explained that Henry Burkhart was instructed to install an 8" sewer main from the manhole at the end of Heeter Road, and then continue the 8" main into his development to connect to the lateral. But instead Mr. Burkhart connected the newest built home's lateral to the Wenner's lateral which connects to the Wade Meier house at 134 Heeter Road. This connection is not installed the way he was told to do.

Upon some discussion, several Council members stated to correct this problem; he must first get Beaver Creek Authority's permission to be a Knox Borough customer, next to correct the sewer lateral he must reroute it into the manhole according to Knox Borough's regulations.

ADJOURNMENT: Rich Cochran made the motion to adjourn and Michael Leahy seconded. All were in favor.



Sharon K. Heeter, Secretary/Treasurer