

New Eagle Borough Council met in regular session on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the regular meeting place.

The meeting was called to order by President Fine, with the following members of Council being present and answering to the call of the roll by the Secretary: Messrs. A. Caseber, J. Ferguson, J. Fine and W. Sherry. Absent was Mr. O. Pucel. There being a quorum present, the meeting was declared in order. Also present was Mr. C. Fine, Mayor. Absent was Mr. T. Berggren, Solicitor.

The Secretary read a request from the Monongahela Area Chamber of Commerce for donations toward the annual Halloween Parade that will be held for the children of Carroll Township, Monongahela and New Eagle. It was moved by Caseber and seconded by Ferguson to donate \$50.00 towards the event. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

The Secretary read a thank-you email from the Monessen City Park Amphitheater for the Borough showing interest in helping the 15th Anniversary of 911 Memorial that they were planning. They indicated that they needed help in presenting the colors at the beginning of the program. Mr. Fine advised that the Secretary contact former Councilman Charles Wyandt, who is also a retired Marine, to see if he knew how we could help. It was also moved by Caseber and seconded by Sherry to donate \$50.00 towards the event. Motion was carried with Caseber, Fine and Sherry voting to donate. Ferguson abstained.

The Secretary presented the two bids received by the Borough for a new contract for refuse removal beginning January 1, 2017, one from Waste Management and one from ASG Services, LLC. After reviewing the bids, a Motion was made by Sherry and seconded by Ferguson to accept the proposal of ASG Services, LLC for refuse removal in the Borough for a period of three years beginning January 1, 2017, and with three optional one year extensions at the discretion of Borough Council. The Borough Solicitor is directed to prepare the contract document based upon the invitation to bid document and the ASG Services, LLC proposal, and the Council President and Borough Secretary are authorized to execute this contract on behalf of the Borough. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary. Mr. Caseber asked if anyone was present from either ASG Services, LLC or Waste Management. Mr. Shaun Baker from ASG Services, LLC was present.

The Secretary advised Council that the Solicitor has received the final version of the ordinance books. As instructed by the Solicitor, and read by the Secretary, a motion was made to introduce the proposed codification and proposed Code Adoption Ordinance for the Borough of New Eagle, Pennsylvania, as such Code Adoption Ordinance is stated and will be attached to the minutes of this meeting. The Borough Secretary is directed and authorized to publish the Notice of Introduction of Proposed Code Adoption Ordinance at least fifteen days prior to the next regular Council meeting, at which time the Code Adoption Ordinance shall be acted upon by Borough Council. It was moved by Caseber and seconded by Sherry to follow the Solicitor's

instructions. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary. The Solicitor suggested that Council meet with him and the Borough of Finleyville representatives at the Finleyville Municipal Building to do a final review of the Code Books on Friday, September 16, 2016 at 10:00 am.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were presented to Council for approval. There being no additions or corrections, it was moved by Ferguson and seconded by Caseber to approve the Minutes as presented. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

Bills in the amount of \$27,927.54 were presented to Council for payment. It was moved by Sherry and seconded by Caseber to pay all bills. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

Mr. Ferguson advised that no one is using the ballfield. Mr. Caseber advised that the field is being used for practice almost every night. He advised that there is a field on Park Avenue in Monongahela that is a perfectly good field with no drainage problems that is not being used. He stated that the RYAA has made the field worse with the work they had done.

Mr. Caseber made a motion to put the red dump truck up for bid. He stated that the longer the truck sits, the more things could go wrong with it. Mr. Ferguson asked if it would be to the Borough's benefit to check into repairing the truck and keeping it as a backup. Mr. Sherry advised he thought keeping it as a backup would be a good idea. Mr. Fine asked EJ Volker what his thoughts were. He advised that it would be a fifty-fifty situation, a double-edged sword. He felt there were benefits to keeping it as a backup and also bidding it out. Mr. Caseber stated again about the truck sitting and deteriorating. Mr. Volker advised that he has a diesel truck that sits out and has over 200,000 miles on it, and it runs just fine. Brian Tempest of the Public Works Department advised that if we do get an abnormally big snowfall, having a backup could be beneficial. Arriving at 7:18 PM was Mr. Pucel. Mr. Fine advised Mr. Pucel of the discussion of the red truck so far. Mr. Fine advised that it was stated at a previous meeting that the red truck should sell for about \$30,000 but he felt it would be in the \$10,000 range. Mr. Pucel agreed to second the motion with the stipulation that the Borough could reject all bids that Council felt were not in the Borough's interest financially. Motion was carried with Caseber, Ferguson, Fine and Pucel voting to bid out the truck. Sherry abstained.

Mr. Sherry read the monthly report of work that was done by the Public Works Department.

Mr. Fine advised that Monongahela should be paving the Borough roads around the third week of this month.

Mayor Fine presented a request from the New Eagle Volunteer Fire Department to install a booster line on the Borough's internet to reach the Fire Hall to enable the new Active 911 System that the Department had purchased to gain internet access. He advised that it

would not cost the Borough any money. It was moved by Ferguson and seconded by Caseber to approve the request. Motion was carried by the unanimous call of the roll by the Secretary.

Mr. Ferguson inquired about the availability of grant monies to address blighted properties. Mr. Fine advised that the Borough is entitled to Redevelopment grant monies every three years that can be used for this. The Borough should be eligible again in 2017.

Mr. Fine advised that during the last rain, there was a lot of flooding again at the railroad ditch which caused some of the flooding at the house on Broadway owned by William Bautz. As per Mr. Fine, The Borough and the railroad are prohibited from digging out the ditch due to a fiber-optic line underneath the ditch. The FBI advised the Borough of this in the past. Mr. Fine also stated that if Mr. Bautz diverts his downspouts, this could help the matter. The Mayor advised that he sees this happen every year. Mr. Pucel advised that he will make a One-Call regarding this situation. Mr. Sherry will show Mr. Pucel the property location after the meeting.

There being now other business, it was moved by Caseber and seconded by Sherry to adjourn at 7:50PM. Motion was carried.

Diane L. Anthony, Borough Secretary