# MINUTES GREENCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING July 1, 2013 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Robert Eberly, Council President Charles Eckstine, Council Members Wade Burkholder, James Farley, Harry Foley, Craig Myers, Matthew Smith, Frank Webster, and Junior Council Member Samantha King. Also present were Borough Manager Susan Armstrong and Borough Secretary Ericka Faight.

Council President Eckstine called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Stacy Crawford gave the invocation.

Council President Eckstine announced that Council held an executive session at 6:00p.m. to discuss potential litigation and real estate acquisition.

#### Public Comment

Duane Kinzer, 463 E Baltimore Street, has agreed to assist Greencastle-Antrim Chamber of Commerce Director Joel Fridgen with Greencastle Downtown Inc. stating that the Chamber is a leg of Borough Council and that Greencastle Downtown Inc. will also serve as a leg of Borough Council. Mister Kinzer also asked if the Chamber had been consulted in the decision to increase the parking ticket fine from \$3.00 to \$10.00 and expressed concerned over property owners not maintaining grass and requested that the Chief Phillippy assist with enforcement of the weed ordinance.

Council Member Burkholder volunteered and President Eckstine appointed him to serve on the Greencastle Downtown Inc. committee.

GAFCWA & ATMA President Gerhart gave a quarterly update. A memorandum of understanding outlining the process for moving forward is being prepared and advertising for the hiring of a consultant is expected to be done in August. Mister Gerhart asked that Council prepare a list of questions and concerns to be addressed in September and hopes to have the results of the feasibility study by the first part of 2014.

Borough Solicitor Sam Wiser asked if the memorandum would be an agreement between the Township Supervisors and Council. Mister Gerhart replied that the memorandum would serve as a guideline for moving forward.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

On a Webster/Smith motion, Council voted unanimously to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

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# **REGULAR AGENDA**

# **Report of Disbursement and Payment of Bills**

On a Farley/Foley motion, Council voted unanimously to approve disbursements listed on the June 2013 Disbursement Report in the amount of \$247,395.35.

# President's Report

President Eckstine thanked Council Member Myers for addressing the complaints from residents concerning unwanted delivery of the Franklin Shopper, announced that Samantha King has a agreed to serve as a Junior Council Member next year and asked Borough Manager Armstrong to create a resolution addressing qualifications for public comment.

# <u>Mayor's Report</u>

Police Chief Phillippy noted that the monthly police report is included in the agenda packet and announced that a pending civil litigation has been resolved and the case has been dropped. Chief Phillippy suggested an ordinance to address excessive alarm calls.

# **Reports from Committees**

#### A. Administration and Finance

1. On a Webster/Burkholder motion, Council voted unanimously to authorize payment of the original estimate of \$22,313.38 (twenty-two thousand three hundred and thirteen dollars and thirty-eight cents) to West Penn Power per the Utility Agreement entered into between West Penn Power Company and the Borough of Greencastle on October 1, 2012 for relocating electric power utilities as part of the S.R. 16/U.S. Route 11 Intersection Project.

#### **B.** Personnel

- 1. On a Foley/Smith motion, Council voted unanimously to approve a Resolution to provide for the following modifications to the Borough of Greencastle's Non-Uniformed and Police Pension Plans:
  - Change the Mortality Tables from the 1983 Group Annuity Mortality Table to the RP 2000 Mortality Table
  - Change the Interest Rate to 7.75% (previously 8%)
  - Change the Salary Scale to 4.75% (previously 5%)

# C. Public Facilities

- 1. On a Webster/Foley motion, Council voted unanimously to approve Pay Applications No. 4 and No. 5 in the amounts of \$11,938.10 and \$281.70 respectively to Monacacy Valley Electric for the Washington Street Pump Station Replacement Project.
- 2. On a Webster/Smith motion, Council voted unanimously to approve the Public Safety Committee and Chief Phillippy's recommendation to move the No Parking signs located on S Carlisle Street 40 ft. back from the current location.

# D. Public Safety

1. On a Myers/Burkholder motion, Council voted unanimously to adopt an ordinance amending the Borough of Greencastle Code, Chapter 190 [Vehicles and Traffic], Section 190-37 [Parking time limit in parking meter zones], to provide for the exemption of coinage deposit at on-street

metered spaces on Sundays and Borough observed holidays (those holidays prescribed annually by Borough Council).

# **Reports from Council Members**

Council Member Myers announced that the Public Safety Committee will meet July 23rd and there will be multiple items for vote at the next Council meeting. Mister Myers expressed disappointment with the lack of work being done at S.R. 16/U.S. Route 11 intersection project.

Council Member Farley commended Borough Manager Armstrong on the audit summary. There were no discrepancies and that is a reflection of administrative practices.

Mayor Eberly received a letter of invitation to participate in the Old Home Week parade and invited Council to join.

Council Member Webster hopes to have a preliminary annexation map at the August Council meeting.

Council adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ericka Faight Borough Secretary