

THORNBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF February 9, 2015

Meeting Time: The meeting was called to order at 7 PM.

Location: Thornburg Community Building, Library

Attendance:

PRESENT:, President Sigo Falk (12/17) Mark Perrott (12/17) Fino Caliguire (12/15) Vinnie Coppola (12/17) Mike Dwyer (12/15) and Tony Szmul arrived at 7:30 p.m. (12/17)

ABSENT: Scott Quinn (12/15)

Mayor Tom Mackin (12/17) was absent.

Solicitor Chuck Means from GRB was present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

Mr. Quinn made a motion to dispense with reading the Minutes of January 6, 2015.

Mr. Perrott seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Quinn made a motion to accept the Minutes of January 6, 2014 as written.

Mr. Szmul seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Ms. Judy Kimlin was present. She talked about the library and the push several years ago to refurbish the library. Mr. Quinn & Mr. Perrott will provide a vision for the library's future.

Mr. David Smallhoover of Tech Road was present. He is interested in providing a community composting service. A discussion followed. Mr. Falk advised him to see if zoning would allow for this business and if permitting is required. Mr. Smallhoover is meeting with the DEP later this month and will let us know the outcome of his meeting. Mr. Caliguire provided his contact information for follow-up.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Mackin was not present. The police report was distributed. The fire at the O'Donnell home was discussed.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Solicitor Means was present. The ordinance regarding Stanford Road was enacted at the January meeting. The vacation is complete and not appealable.

Solicitor Means updated Council on the ordinance regarding building permits for a structure over 200 square feet. The Department of Labor and Industry was sent a letter in late December and still needs to respond.

Regarding the garage issue the Zoning Officer was to send the resident a letter.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Ms. Alarcon presented a report.

Mr. Quinn made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report. Mr. Dwyer seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Ms. Alarcon will contact Duquesne Light to see if all of the LED lights went in.

ENGINEER’S REPORT:

The Engineer’s report was provided. Regarding the ACO Extension, Mr. Coppola feels it is not necessary for our community as we are in compliance and doing maintenance.

Mr. Coppola reviewed the changes to bid documents. He made comments regarding attorney fees, pass through fees, limitations of liability and indemnification. Mr. Coppola will send a note to Gateway for further explanation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Administration (Mr. Szmul): No report.

Budget and Finance (Mr. Quinn & Mr. Falk): No report.

Land Conservation/Resources (Mr. Caliguire): The tree removal people are talking to Rob about different trees in the borough. Mrs. Hill’s tree was discussed.

Sewers/Public Works (Mr. Coppola): No report.

Community Building (Mr. Dwyer): No report

Public Relations (Mr. Perrott):

Permit tags – Red tags will be purchased for park permits.

Website – Sam Runyon liked Crafton designer best. Mr. Quinn made a motion to hire the website designer to do the website, Mr Caliguire seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

NA

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Falk – Saw an 18 wheeler in the conservation park parking lot. If this becomes a problem then we need to contact police.

Mr. Quinn mentioned a trailer bed on left of Kenyon Road that could be a hazard.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Coppola made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Mr. Quinn seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.