

**KULPMONT BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 9, 2015**

The Borough Solicitor William C. Cole states that the board met in executive session for approximately one hour for personnel, contractual and litigation purposes.

Opening Prayer by Councilperson Stephanie Niglio

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by body present, Kulpmont Borough Council held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday June 9, 2015.

Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Mayor Novakoski, Nicholas Bozza, Stephanie Niglio, Philip Scicchitano, Bruno R. Varano and Stephen Motyka.

ABSENT: Joseph A. Winhofer

APPOINTED POSITIONS: Borough Solicitor William C. Cole and Borough Treasurer Paul A. Niglio, Jr.

PRESENT: Borough Supervisor Bruce Graff, Borough Secretary Rhonda Wilk and Code Officer Russ S. Moroz.

OTHERS PRESENT: Frank Pecatis, Vince Wasilewski, Joe Pancerella, Bernie Nestico, Joe Politza, Tom Lazarski, Barry Fetterman, Ed Moleski, Bob Chesney, Ray Shimko.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON ANYTHING THAT IS ON THE AGENDA:

No one spoke

PRESIDENTS REPORT (Bruno R. Varano)

Mr. Varano states that he would like to recognize and congratulate the top five students from Mt. Carmel Area.

MOTION- Mr. Deitrick made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Bozza to present a resolution to the top five academic students at Mount Carmel Area School this year.

ROLL CALL VOTE - BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (absent)
6YEAS – 0 NAYS

MAYORS REPORT (Bernard P. Novkoski)

Mayor Novkoski states that he would like to remind everyone that the Circus will be held in Kulpmont tomorrow with shows at 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. and states that when you are on the back road to Mount Carmel to be careful because that is where the traffic is going to be going in and out for the circus and states that the fire police will be on duty to make it a little safer.

SECRETARY REPORT (Rhonda Wilk)

Rhonda Wilk states that approval is needed on the May 12, 2015 regular monthly meeting minutes.

MOTION- Mr. Deitrick made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Motyka to approve the meeting minutes from the May 12, 2015 regular monthly meeting.

VOICE VOTE-

Unanimous

Rhonda Wilk states that an additional donation for the purchase of the flags on Chestnut Street was received from the Overseas Veterans of Kulpmont.

Correspondence was received from AmeriHealth Casualty – Copy Council/Mayor

Correspondence was also received from PennDOT, Event Permit Information Copy Council/Mayor

Rhonda Wilk states that two bids were received for the 2015 paving project.

Rhonda states that the first bid we received for the paving project was from Meckley's Limestone Products, Inc. and passed the bid to the Council President Varano.

Mr. Varano states that the bid received from Meckley's Limestone Products, Inc. is \$40,997.00.

The second bid received and opened and passed to Mr. Varano was from New Enterprise Stone and Lime Co. Inc.

Mr. Varano states that the bid received from New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co. Inc. is in the amount of \$37,975.00.

MOTION – Mr. Deitrick made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Scicchitano to hire New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co., Inc.

Mr. Deitrick questions if any other council member heard of the company before.

Mr. Bozza states that they are a reputable company, a big company.

Mr. Deitrick states that he has never heard of the company but it council knows that they are reputable that is fine with him as well.

ROLL CALL VOTE - BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (absent)
6YEAS – 0 NAYS

TREASURERS REPORT (Paul A. Niglio, Jr.)

Mr. Niglio states that everyone received a copy of the financial statement and that approval is needed to approve the financial statement and to pay the bills.

MOTION- Mr. Bozza made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Deitrick to pay the bills and to approve the financial statement.

ROLL CALL VOTE - BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (absent)
6YEAS – 0 NAYS

SOLICITORS REPORT (William C. Cole)

No Report

POLICE CHIEFS REPORT (Michael Pitcavage)

Report attachment #2

FIRE CHIEFS REPORT (Jeffrey Gilotti)

Report attachment #3

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (Kevin O’Hearn)

No Report

BUILDING INSPECTORS REPORT (Stephen G. Bielski, Sr.)

Report attachment #4

CODE/HEALTH ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS REPORT (Russ Moroz)

Report attachment #5

Russ Moroz states that he would like to thank Kulpmont Council for allowing him to attend the Property Maintenance class two weeks ago and states that it was a very informative session. He states that he provided members of council with a handout on the Property Maintenance of 2012 and states that he feels that it is something that he feels the borough should look into adopting because it does play heavy into the code.

Russ. Moroz states that it would give him the ability to not only cite a landlord but a tenant as well. Russ Moroz states that it will help the landlords and everyone out. Russ states that he passed the information out to all members of Council and the Mayor about a week ago.

Russ Moroz states that he wants to recognize the street department and states that he had the opportunity to take the street sweeper to Myerstown to be serviced. He states that the mechanic talked about how impressed he was with the sweeper being a ten year old machine.

Russ Moroz states that he thinks it is a credit to the street department because the sweeper actually came back dirtier than it was when it went down and states that the mechanic states that he did not recall seeing anything that old look that good.

Russ Moroz states that he just wanted to give these guys a heads up and states that they do a fantastic job.

Mr. Varano replied, absolutely and stated that he thinks that Kulpmont has the best maintenance department in the county if not the state and for two guys and a part timer they do a fantastic job.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (Philip Scicchitano)

Mr. Scicchitano states that he will need a brief executive session for personnel matters at the end of the meeting.

SERVICE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE (Nicholas Bozza)

Mr. Bozza states that the food surplus distribution will be held on June 18th from 8:00 am until 12 noon.

Mr. Bozza states that he would like to provide the Mayor, Council and Kulpmont Residents with an update on the 100th Anniversary Celebration.

Mr. Bozza reads the following committee update:

We are pleased to announce a committee has been formed to celebrate Kulpmont's 100th Anniversary Celebration. Although Kulpmont was founded in 1875 and was incorporated in 1915, it was not until January of 1916 that Kulpmont had its first meeting as an independent self governing Borough.

The Kulpmont 100 committee consists of myself, Joe Pancerella, Dave Shinskie, Jeff Gilotti, Joe Meyer, John Motyka, Keith Tamborelli and Steve Matzura.

The committee met on May 20th 2015 at 6:00 p.m. And as a group we all agreed and decided the celebration will be a three day event, July 1st, 2nd & 3rd of 2016. As we continue to plan & meet we will keep the Mayor, Council & Residents informed of all upcoming events, fundraisers and meetings.

Mr. Bozza states that he will need a brief executive session for personnel matters.

FINANCE AND PURCHASING (Stephen Motyka)

No Report

CODE HEALTH AND SAFETY (Philip Scicchitano)

No Report

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE (Stephanie Niglio)

Mrs. Niglio states that the 2015-01 Brake Retarder Ordinance has been advertised.

MOTION- Mrs. Niglio made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Deitrick to pass the 2015-01 Brake Retarder Ordinance.

Mr. Bozza questioned if we have a copy of the specs for where the signs are to go.

Mrs. Niglio replied that she has a copy here if he does not and states that she believes that we have 30 days to enact it and make it official when the signs are all in place.

Mr. Bozza directs Bruce Graff to take a look at that and see because he thought there was an issue with one of the signs.

Mr. Graff states that he called down there to PennDot and where it's at the grade, which is where it has got to go.

Mr. Bozza states the problem is that you are going to have a jake brake sign coming through town but the biggest hill in town is down by the mill and the jake brake sign ends right by 13th and Chestnut Street. He states that they can go down that hill and hit the jake brake, but that is where PennDot says it has to be.

Mr. Varano replied that is because of the grade. Mr. Varano states that you have got to be able to brake so that you can slow down to the speed limit.

Mr. Deitrick adds for safety reasons and adds that in the case that they would loose their brakes, that is the only way they could stop.

Mr. Varano directs the statement to Mr. Bozza that it might seem absurd to you but.....

Mr. Bozza interjected that it does not seem right to him.

ROLL CALL VOTE - BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (absent)
6YEAS – 0 NAYS

GRANTS AND RECREATION (Clarence H. Deitrick)

Mr. Deitrick states that the USDA grant was for the purchase of the new police car that we obtained ownership of and states that it was picked up on Friday.

Mr. Deitrick states that it is the other black unmarked car that is sitting out front and states that once the Chief gives us the scheme that he wants for the decals we will order them and then within two weeks we should have the decals on it.

Mr. Deitrick states that the Yard Sale will be held on June 20th from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. with a rain date of June 27th.

Mr. Deitrick states that the bleaches that were purchased with a grant from Northumberland County are now up and completely finished and in use.

Mr. Deitrick gave an update on the DEP grant and states that the dump truck is still being built with a tentative date of reaching us in September or October and states that after Sunbury Motors gets it, then the box and the spreader will need to be installed.

Mr. Deitrick states that he has three resolutions to be read into the minutes for our DCED Housing Grants and reads the following Resolutions, 709, 710 and 711:

RESOLUTION # 709

**BOROUGH OF KULPMONT
DISPLACEMENT and RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PLAN UNDER SECTION
104
THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974, AS
AMENDED**

It is the intent of Kulpmont Borough to undertake HOME Partnership Grant (HOME) activities, which do not result in displacement of residents. The Borough is, however, required by law to make available the following policy should any displacement occur.

In an effort to mitigate the adverse effects of displacement, the Kulpmont Borough Council will assure that:

1. The Borough will replace all occupied and vacant occupiable low/moderate income housing as a direct result of Amended as described in 24 CFR Part 570.606 (b) (1).
2. All replacement housing will be provided within three (3) years of the commencement of the demolition or rehabilitation relating to conversion. Before obligating or expending funds that will directly result in demolition or conversion, the Kulpmont Borough Council will make public and submit to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development the following information in writing.
 - A. Description of the proposed activity
 - B. The general location on a map and approximate number dwelling units by size, (number of bedrooms) that will be demolished or converted to use other than as low/moderate income dwelling units as a direct result of the assisted activity
 - C. A time schedule for the commencement and completion of the demolition or conversion
 - D. The general location on a map and approximate number of dwelling units by size, (number of bedrooms) that will be provided as replacement dwelling units
 - E. The source of funding and a time schedule for the provision of replacement dwelling units; and
 - F. The basis for concluding that each replacement dwelling unit will remain a low/moderate income dwelling unit for a least ten (ten) years from the date of initial occupancy.

The Kulpmont Borough Council will provide assistance as described in 570.606 (b) (2) to each low/moderate income household displaced by the demolition of housing or by the conversion of a low/moderate income dwelling to another use as direct result of assisted activities.

Consistent with the goals and objectives of activities assisted under the Act, the Kulpmont Borough Council will consider alternative projects funded under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended that will not result in displacement of residents.

We, the Kulpmont Borough Council hereby certify that the anti- displacement plan described herein was duly adopted by Resolution as part of the collateral documentation required to submit jointly with the Borough of Marion Heights for fiscal year 2011 HOME Grant Application. We further certify that the procedure identified to minimize displacement shall be carried out as required and appropriate.

ADOPTED ON THIS 9th DAY OF JUNE, 2015

RESOLUTION #710

Resolution of the Borough of Kulpmont (Herein "HOME" Applicant (Grantee), authorizing the adoption of the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED),

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Implementation of the Housing And Urban Development “HUD” Federal Programs Required Compliance Plans and Notices.

WHEREAS, the HOME Applicant (Grantee) is desirous of continuing Grantee funding to meet fundability from DCED to provide for Affordable Housing activities required under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12701 through 12839) and the implementing regulation at 24 CFR Part 92, and

WHEREAS, the HOME Applicant (Grantee) has been awarded DCED Application Contract Agreements for FFY’s 1996, 2000, 2004, 2007, and 2011 to provide Owner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Activities pursuant to “On Behalf OF” Grant Administration Contracts with the Housing Authority and Development Corporation of Northumberland County, AS CITED through the Grantee’s above FFY’s HOME Partnership Investment Program Grants; and,

WHEREAS, the HOME Applicant (Grantee) is eligible for CD & H Affordable Housing Act Fundability, shall approve and implement the following DCED and related Federal HUD Programs Required Compliance Plans and Notices to include: Citizens Participation, Complaint & Appeals, Minority Business Enterprise/Minority Women’s Enterprise, Section 504, Fair Housing, Equal Opportunity, Anti-Displacement and Relocation, Drug Free Workplace, Excessive Force, and Contractor Integrity; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The HOME Applicant (Grantee) and, “OBO” Grant Administrator agree that these Required Compliance Plans and Notices shall be incorporated by reference and made a part of this resolution as if they were expressly written and included herein in their entirety.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Kulpmont Borough Council adopts said DCED and “HUD” Federal Programs Required Compliance Plans, Resolutions and Notices, and empowers Bruno Varano, Borough Council President or said designee, to sign all necessary collateral and support documents made a part of this resolution regarding FFY’s 2011 Community Development and Housing (CD&H) Operations (for HOME, CDBG, etc.)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officer of the HOME Applicant (Grantee), or Designee, is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution and to furnish a copy of this Resolution to DCED.

ADOPTED THIS 9th DAY OF JUNE, 2015

**RESOLUTION #711
FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION**

LET IT BE KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS of the Borough of Kulpmont (“Borough”) that discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability is prohibited by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the Pennsylvania Human Act. It is the policy of the Borough to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability, or familial status (families with children). Therefore, the Borough does hereby pass the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, that within available resources the Borough will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability or familial status (families with children) to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough shall publicize this Resolution and through this publicity shall cause owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law, the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act; and (3) to include the fair housing logo on the distribution of all materials such as posters, flyers, advertising, assistance applications, contracts, municipal correspondence with federal programs and any other means which will bring to the attention of those affected, the knowledge of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law, the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, and any local laws or ordinances.

FURTHER ACTION – PUBLICITY will at a minimum include, but not be limited to: (1) the printing and publicizing of this resolution and other applicable fair housing information through local media and community contracts; (2) Conduct at least one fair housing activity annually to better inform the public of their rights under the Fair Housing Law and Pennsylvania Human Relations Act; and (2) to include the fair housing logo on the distribution of all materials such as posters, flyers, advertising, assistance applications, contracts, municipal correspondence with federal programs and any other means which will bring to the attention of those affected, the knowledge of their respective responsibilities and rights concerning equal opportunity in housing.

ADOPTED THIS 9th DAY OF JUNE, 2015 BY KULPMONT BOROUGH COUNCIL

MOTION- Mr. Deitrick made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Bozza to pass and to adopt resolutions 709, 710 and 711.

VOICE VOTE –

Unanimous

Mr. Varano states that he would just like to add that we have to read these into the minutes and states that it is standard with these DCED grants.

Mr. Varano questioned Mr. Deitrick on how many we gave away. Mr. Deitrick states that he believes it was 14.

Mr. Varano clarified that we did not give away; the DCED and the Housing Authority administrated it.

BUILDING COMMITTEE (Stephen Motyka)

Mr. Motyka states that the USDA approved the sale of the East End building and we are waiting on the deed from this building from the Mount Carmel School District. Mr. Motyka states that as soon as we have the deed we will then be able to have our interim financing approval. The USDA will be paid up front for the building and then that interim financing will include the architectural fees and the projected cost of the project. Mr. Motyka states that as of today we got several quotes from architects. At last month's

meeting we approved not to spend more than \$25,000.00 and states that our lowest price was \$27,000.00 from B3 Architects out of Sunbury and states that we got them down to that price by offering them the documents that were used to build the East End, like the CAD drawings and all of the drawings that were prepared for the USDA the first time and we will be turning them over to B3 to simplify the process.

MOTION- Mr. Motyka made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Deitrick to hire B3 Architects for \$27,000.00 to start to work on the design.

Mr. Varano commented that the other quote was not even close to that, it was about \$40,000.00

ROLL CALL VOTE - BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (absent)
6YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mr. Varano states that council may want to consider making a motion to have the appropriate officers be able to sign any paperwork or documents that may come up such as with the bank, school district and the architect.

MOTION- Mr. Motyka made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Bozza to approve any signatures by the appropriate officials that may be needed to keep this building project going.

ROLL CALL VOTE - BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (absent)
6YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mr. Deitrick states that he would like to add that we have 2300 recycling bins ordered and they are in shipping now and hopefully we will have them this week or next week. The Public should know we will have new recycling bins here within a week or two.

Mr. Varano questioned if they will pick them up here. Mr. Deitrick states that they will pick them up here; they can come in the borough office.

Mr. Bozza commented that he does not know where we are going to put them.

Mr. Deitrick replied that we had 2000 here last time.

Mr. Bozza states that they will figure it out.

Mr. Varano adds that they would take us a long time to deliver and states that he just wanted to make a point that we are not going to deliver them and states that they will have to be picked up here.

Mr. Bozza replied that he knows that.

Mr. Deitrick said that is correct, we are not going to hand deliver them to the homeowners, they can be picked up at the office or over at the garage if there is anybody at the garage.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Varano wishes everybody a happy car cruise and a Happy 4th of July

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Joe Pancerella of 700 Pine Street questions on the conversion of the East End Building into the Municipal Building if the financing would be conventional financing.

Mr. Deitrick responded that it is not; it is interim financing and states that we have to have that.

Mr. Varano added it would be interim financing until we get reimbursed from the USDA on our 1.47 million dollar loan. Mr. Varano stated like he had said in the beginning, we are not planning on using 1.47 but you have to be approved for more and then you have to wait for your money. Mr. Varano states that you have to get interim financing in the beginning to pay your bills.

Mr. Pancerella questions that since the USDA is selling that building if there is a possibility of doing conventional financing rather than dealing with the USDA.

Mr. Pancerella states that the building is already built, it exists and you already passed the increase of taxes of forty some thousand a year and so I would think that some conventional lenders would be interested.

Mr. Varano replied ten years, and we cannot afford that.

Mr. Pancerella questions if it is because of the length of the loan. Mr. Varano replied yes.

Mr. Pancerella questioned if there is a list of what we are looking to do to renovate. Mr. Motyka replied that the initial list was based on our design on Fir Street and the original

design evaluation, he matched square footage to square footage and comparable of our meeting room and states that he thinks it worked out pretty well with the police department.

Mr. Varano added that everything was almost identical.

Mr. Motyka states that the other thing was in the existing bathroom was maintained and they were untouched in the process of renovation design.

Mr. Pancerella questions if that information is available to the public.

Mr. Motyka states that the only reason was because we were getting comparable quotes from the architect.

Mr. Motyka states that the conceptual design square footage comes up to that \$400,000.00 renovation cost and that included the police square footage number, some work in the truck room and the design fees.

Mr. Motyka states that we did not have a good breakout on what his design fees were, but it is a pretty cut and dry comparable to Fir Street.

Mr. Pancerella questions if we have somewhere what the entire scope of the entire municipal plan is and states that obviously the East End is going to be for all intent and purposes the municipal building and states that there are still some questions on housing equipment and where that is going to be and asks if any decisions were made on how we are going to approach that.

Mr. Pancerella asks if we are looking at tearing this building down here, rebuilding and doing the facility here and asks if that is part of the scope.

Mr. Motyka replied that we intend to rip this building down and we are trying to have a meeting with the fire company to decide.

Mr. Bozza replied there are a lot of options out there.

Mr. Varano states that there is not a lot but there is a couple.

Mr. Bozza states that the West End Fire Company met and they are struggling down there also.

Mr. Deitrick states that it is like every other municipality they are combining fire companies, Bloomsburg went to one and that is what we are looking at.

Mr. Varano stated for all intents and purposes they are defunct.

Mr. Pancerella asks the question, the East End? Mr. Varano replied "yes."

Mr. Pancerella replied that certainly the East End social end is defunct. Mr. Varano states that he thinks the East End itself is defunct.

Mayor Novakoski states that the East End is defunct, the fire company no longer exists the fire company was the truck room.

Mr. Pancerella replied that certainly the fire company was the truck room.

Mayor Novakoski replied that those guys didn't consider it that way and when that went defunct they are no longer in business and states that when they said that they had a meeting and had a representative of the East End fire company at it.

Mayor Novakoski states that as far as he knows no officer was there.

Mayor Novakoski states that they put that man's name down and that when he questioned the man on his legitimacy on his being at the meeting the man said he was never there.

Mr. Deitrick added that the plan is to house all of the fire apparatus in one location and where that is to be, we do not know yet.

Mr. Varano states that is the second part to the plan.

Mr. Pancerella states that there is always three parts to the puzzle, at least.

Mr. Varano replied that when Mic Ward was here from the USDA he said that we could take this in two steps and right now we do not know exactly which way we are going to go with the second step as far as the maintenance.

Mr. Motyka adds that for us to borrow money Under the USDA to build a new fire facility at 3.4% interest, there is money from the state fire at 2% and so they should approach and research that and states that we have not heard back from the fire company so..... Mr. Pancerella made the statement that then they are still exploring those options and as you get further that stuff will be made available.

Mr. Varano states that the only thing in concrete, and that still is not in concrete.... is that we are purchasing the East End and we are going to remodel it.

Mr. Deitrick adds for our municipal offices.

Robert Chesney of 929 Pine Street asks the question concerning the bids now or the fees for the architects again if that is up to \$25,000.00. Mr. Motyka responded that amount was approved at the last meeting but the architect came in with the price of \$27,000.00.

Mr. Varano stated that it actually came in at \$32,000.00 and that they got them down to \$27,000.00.

Mr. Chesney asks if all of the past architectural fees on the last building are just going to be digested, all of that money over \$200,000.00. Mr. Varano answered that they are.

Mr. Chesney made the statement that now we are going \$25,000.00 more and asks the question if that is dictated? Mr. Varano responded “yes it is, by the USDA.”

Mr. Chesney states that he thought that in the one letter the USDA sent that they approved up to \$5000.00. Mr. Varano said that was for the interim plans. Mr. Motyka stated that was a feasibility study, an evaluation. Mr. Deitrick adds that was to give us an idea on what it might cost. Mr. Varano states that he thinks we only spent \$3500.00 or so.

Mr. Chesney stated that Mr. Motyka just said almost all of the plans are almost identical, and asks if those plans can't just be used for down at the East End.

Mr. Chesney said that Mr. Motyka stated that the size of the rooms are the same, the bathrooms are not even included so that is a big savings, blah, blah, blah. Mr. Chesney states that if all of the sizes of the rooms are almost identical to what has already been spent for architect and everything else and asks why then we just can't use the plans that were already bought.

Mr. Motyka replied that you just can't cut and paste a project like this. Mr. Motyka states that he approached the architect that originally did the East End and he said that he is too busy, he said the minimal would be about 8% the final cost of the building would be the architectural fees but states that he feels we will come in a little higher than that.

Mr. Chesney states that it is unbelievable and states that kicking at that dog, if we would have waited.

Mr. Chesney states again \$25,000.00 is going to go out now and how much of the \$400,000.00 is going to be spent then. Mr. Varano states that is included in that \$400,000.00. Mr. Chesney states so that \$400,000.00 is probably going to go then, that \$225,000.000 or 250 for the building and then that \$25,000.00 for the architectural fees and then whatever the bids are going to be, so the East End could end up being \$600,000.00. Mr. Varano answered yes, absolutely. Mr. Varano stated that we were hoping for one million down the other place also and we would have saved 3 mills in taxes and states that he does not even want to get into it.

Mr. Varano states that we are not going to see the savings in this building or any other building that we would have seen down at the original project as far as energy savings. Mr. Chesney states that he still doubts that.

Mr. Varano replied that he can doubt it but he is telling him....Mr. Chesney states that you are still talking close to a million dollars again anyway. Mr. Varano agrees.

Mr. Chesney states that again if we would have waited two and a half years ago, ripped it, got the deed, again kicking the dead dog but we have wasted a lot of money and you ran around in circles, pissed in a circle and we wasted a lot of money.

Mr. Varano replied to Mr. Chesney “you partially caused that pal; don’t blame that on this council.” Mr. Chesney replied that he is glad that he did.

Mr. Varano asked him what he saved the borough, you saved the borough nothing.

Mr. Chesney states that if we have sat two and a half years ago and stopped every month and you could check the notes we said “please stop spending, let’s talk.”

Mr. Chesney stated we never stopped and every month we just kept paying KPI and Shaffer Engineering for what, the plans are thrown out the window and now we start over with new plans.

Mr. Varano states that KPI was being paid, not Shaffer Engineering; Shaffer Engineering just got paid last year. Mr. Chesney replied Jiminy Crickets, a lot of wasted money, wasted, not putting on the brakes and listening. Mr. Varano replied “no,” just because we did not listen to your.....Mr. Chesney replied, I asked for a discussion and we never had it and it is a shame and a disgrace.

Mr. Varano stated that it’s a shame because we lost all of that money in savings that we would have had and we would have had a building and a property worth 1.2 or 1.3 million dollars for 1 million dollars and now we are getting a property that is worth \$250,000.00 for 1 million dollars.

Mr. Chesney replied “stop the brakes is what I said.”

Mr. Chesney added that this could have been ripped down for \$150,000.00 and we could have built here.

Mr. Varano said we are not building a building up here, if anything we are going to put an addition onto the garage.

Mr. Varano states that it would have cost just as much to build up here as it would have down there only you would not have had the savings that you would have had down there; you wouldn’t have any fuel savings because there is no gas line up here.

Mr. Chesney replied that you don’t need that gas line and geo-thermal.

Mr. Varano states that he does not know where his economics is at but states that all of this was explored, and that is where they were saving 3 mills in taxes.

Mr. Varano states that they had to raise the taxes 3 mills and to cover that loan we would have had to raise those 6 mills but we were receiving 3 mills in savings.

Mayor Novakoski added that he does not understand that.

Mr. Chesney commented, "Proposed."

Mr. Varano remarked "you do not believe anything I say anyway."

Mr. Chesney states you insulate the building, total electric building, my father in laws house is all electric that's all that's needed, and his bills are \$100.00 a month..... Mrs. Niglio added change the subject because this is kicking a dead dog.

Mr. Varano asks if anyone else would like to speak. Mr. Varano stated that we are going to go into executive session if nobody else would like to speak.

Mr. Chesney said you come up with a lot of excuses.

Mr. Varano replied to Mr. Chesney that he comes up with a lot of crap also.

Mr. Varano asked Mr. Chesney if he ever told the public what he told him down the Sobieski that one day about screw the senior citizens.

Mr. Chesney said no, he did not say screw the senior citizens.

Mr. Varano said no, you used the F word. Mr. Chesney said no he did not, he stated he was for the senior citizens.

Mr. Varano replied oh, so now you are for them.

Mr. Chesney stated that he always was for them and that his Aunt Dorothy is the one that is running the damn place.

Mr. Varano stated two and a half years ago you told him (and Mr. Varano spelled out the letters) f, u, c and k the seniors let them fend for their selves; take that basement out of the project.

Mr. Varano said and now you are flip flopping and I am calling you a liar right to your face.

Mr. Chesney said lets not get into that because if you want us to say what you have said in public.... Mr. Varano said that he doesn't deny anything that he said, but adds that you Mr. Chesney are denying what you said. Mr. Chesney said that he never said anything against the senior citizens. Mr. Varano replied "yea, right." Mr. Varano stated that council will now go into executive session.

The Borough Solicitor William C. Cole states that the board met in executive session for approximately one hour and fifteen minutes for personnel, contractual and litigation matters.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

**RHONDA WILK
BOROUGH SECRETARY**

DATE OF APPROVAL