

**KULPMONT BOROUGH
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
March 13, 2018**

Opening Prayer by Councilman Stephen Bielskie
The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by the body present,
Kulpmont Borough Council held the meeting for general purpose on
Tuesday, March 13, 2018

Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Mayor Bozza, Stephen Bielskie, Robert Fanella, George Malakoksi, Michael Sinopoli and Walter Lutz.

ABSENT: Keith Tamborelli, Robert Chesney

APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Solicitor, Edward Greco and Treasurer Paul A. Niglio

PRESENT: Borough Supervisor Bruce Graff, Code Official Russ Moroz and Borough Secretary Rhonda Wilk

OTHERS PRESENT: Joe Politza, Raymond Siko, Robert Michalkovich, Barry Fetterman, Rose Bielskie, Russ Moroz, Jeff Gilotti, Joe Sheganoski, Jr. and Joe Pancerella.

Mr. Lutz stated a letter of resignation was received from Mr. Tamborelli effective immediately and forwarded to all Councilmembers and the Mayor. Mr. Lutz stated a motion is needed to accept Mr. Tamborelli's resignation.

MOTION- To Accept resignation of Keith Tamborelli by Mr. Bielskie and seconded by Mr. Sinopoli.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
5 YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mr. Lutz stated we will go into the Treasurers report now stating Mr. Niglio has some important personal business he must attend to.

TREASURERS REPORT – (Paul A. Niglio)

Mr. Niglio stated that all received a copy of the financial statement and list of bills to be paid and stated a motion is needed to approve and pay the bills.

MOTION- Mr. Sinopoli made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Fanella to accept the financial statement and to pay the bills.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
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Mr. Niglio stated all members of Council received a copy of Resolution 735 and stated the resolution eliminates Police Officer Contributions to the Police Pension Plan for the years 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018. Mr. Niglio commented that the Police Pension Fund is well funded.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
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Mr. Niglio stated there are two bills to be paid from the Police Pension account, one is for Thomas J. Anders and Associates consultant fee in the amount of \$3,000.00 and the second bill is for the GASB 67 - 2017 actuarial services and the GASB 68 - 2017.

MOTION- Mr. Fanella made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Bielskie to pay Thomas J. Anderson and Associates for the \$3,000.00 consultant fee and \$1,000.00 for the GASB 67 – 2017 and GASB 68 – 2017 actuarial services

Mr. Lutz asked if any citizen would like to be heard on anything that is on the agenda.

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

No one spoke

PRESIDENTS REPORT – (Walter Lutz)

Mr. Lutz stated Ordinance 2018-02 for the Mount Carmel Township to provide police protection was advertised and asked if Council would like to put a motion on the floor to adopt ordinance 2018-02.

MOTION- To adopt 2018-02 Ordinance for police protection by Mr. Fanella and seconded by Mr. Bielskie.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
5 YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mr. Lutz stated there has been an agreement that we have been working back and forth on with the Township. Mr. Lutz stated briefly the agreement is a three-year agreement, \$180,000.00 approximately the first year and \$203,000.00 and approximately \$213,000.00 or so the third year. Mr. Lutz stated essentially what this would mean is that Mt. Carmel Township would be responsible for policing in the Borough.

MOTION- Mr. Fanella made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Sinopoli to accept and approve the Kulpmont Borough Police Protection Agreement with Mount Carmel Township.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
5 YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mr. Lutz talked about UGI stated this is a project that the previous council had worked on and stated the agreement is they will come up Maple Street and to Pine Street and up three blocks on Pine Street. He stated they will open up a 1' trench on either side and they will then put the gas line in and pave over that 1'.

Mr. Lutz stated they will not pave curb to curb, it is a take it or leave it deal. Mr. Lutz stated if they need to go across the street they will bore underneath the street and hook up on the other side. He stated once that is done it is then the homeowners responsibility to contact UGI to hook up and depending on each house the cost will vary. Mr. Lutz added this is a pilot program.

MOTION- Mr. Sinopoli made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Bielskie to approve the UGI agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
5 YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mr. Lutz stated we need to appoint a borough engineer, KPI was the engineer the previous council appointed. He stated Mr. Fanella and Mr. Bielskie me with a new group called Livic and stated we have all of the information here and we need to appoint a borough engineer.

MOTION- Mr. Fanella made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Bielskie to appoint Livic as the borough engineer.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
5 YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mr. Lutz stated there is a two-day Municipal Secretary Course through PSAB and stated he took the course back around November and stated he is asking council to agree to send Mrs. Wilk to that course. Mr. Lutz stated he found the course to be invaluable as far as procedures and things of that nature. Mr. Lutz stated it is a two-day deal and the cost is \$225.00 and mileage coming back and forth because it is a two-day deal.

MOTION- Mr. Sinopoli made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Fanella to approve Rhonda Wilk to attend PSAB Municipal Secretary Course at a cost of \$225.00 plus mileage.

The Solicitor questioned if that would include he is getting paid her regular hours. Mr. Lutz replied yes, it is regular work days.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
5 YEAS – 0 NAYS

MAYORS REPORT- (Nicholas Bozza)

A discussion took place among Councilmembers the Mayor and Fire Chief's concerning the fire siren and fire tower. After a discussion it was decided the siren would not be activated and the tower would be dismantled. Mayor Bozza commented that he would like to get this resolved and decided on tonight adding he has people looking at it to get it dismantled. Mayor Bozza stated he has a guy that basically is going to do it for nothing.

MOTION- A motion to have the tower dismantled was made by Mr. Fanella and seconded by Mr. Sinopoli.

The Solicitor questioned when it is said he will do it for nothing, what is going to happen to the scrap. Mayor Bozza stated he said he would drop the tower and the borough would be responsible for the scrap.

Mayor Bozza stated if there is a price he will let Council know, but if there is it will be very minute. Mr. Lutz stated the deal with it is if we go over \$10,000.00 we will get bids.

The Solicitor questions what will be done with the siren. Fire Chief Raymond Siko explained how the siren is antiquated and has only partially worked for the last 26 years. Chief Siko added the siren control head has a three-phase electrical system and when they looked to get parts for it the cost was astronomical.

Mr. Bielskie questioned if it would be wise to investigate a price on a siren if we need one to put it up here.

Jeff Gilotti commented that the siren will be destroyed when the tower is dismantled and it is dropped.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
5 YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mayor Bozza discussed a problem on 16th Street where the guy has his junk yard down there, he parks his vehicles all alongside there. He suggested putting no parking signs

down there with no parking between signs. Mayor Bozza stated that nobody seems to know where the property lines are and stated if our property is edge of black top, because if not and we have a right of way from black top so many feet over then all of those cars are parked on our property.

Chief Siko stated he is going back to when Al Politza was here it was researched and we have a right of way, it was researched then because we had a fire down there and the main concern was getting on those back streets in the case one of those buildings went down there.

Mr. Lutz suggested we get with our engineer and see what it is going to take to see what we have going here. Mayor Bozza stated he does not know if it is expensive but we may want then to do everywhere. Mr. Bielskie stated it would be expensive. It was discussed to look at County maps or tax maps.

The Solicitor stated the County maps and tax maps are not accurate you would almost have to get a survey, it is the only way you are going to do it. Mr. Lutz stated the Mayor has a good point and stated the individual somehow has taken it upon himself that he can junk up the borough.

Mr. Lutz stated we need to find out where some of our borders are and stated he will contact the engineer and make a report back and stated he agrees if we could to place signs. It was discussed further and the Solicitor state typically you would need to do a traffic study with PennDOT otherwise your signage is illegal and you would lose in court, they have certain quid lines with the erecting of signage and if they are not erected according to law you could write 100 tickets and they could challenge it to say you have not followed procedure.

Russ Moroz stated what is going to happen is that the water company is going to start on a project in a month and that whole alley is going to be ripped up and so everything that is down there will need to be moved and so if we are going to do that we need to do it as quick as possible so that when the cars are moved we could place the signs. Mr. Lutz stated he and Russ will work on this tomorrow and will call PennDOT tomorrow adding it is a real health issue down there.

Mayor Bozza asked Russ not to go out and write sweeper tickets before 9:00 a.m. Russ Moroz and Bruce Graff replied they never did. Mayor Bozza stated he believes there was a time a year or two ago with the previous council was on there were some tickets before 9:00 a.m. Bruce Graff replied there was a time when they went out and ticketed before the sweeper but not before 9:00 a.m. Mayor Bozza asked to make sure not before 9:00 a.m. and asked if they could follow the sweeper. Mr. Fanella stated the signs are posted no parking 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Mayor Bozza stated on the 100 block of Maple there is a contractor back there and stated he spoke to a Township Supervisor and stated he was going to get in touch with Borough Council on the mess because of a contractor back there. Mayor Bozza stated something

must be done there and stated he feels the contractor would be maintaining that road because he is ruining it. Mayor Bozza stated we need to address that.

Mayor Bozza stated he had on his agenda about police tow stickers but we don't need to worry about that because Council agreed on the merger with the Township. A discussion took place concerning code issues that would require a vehicle to be posted with a tow sticker. The code officer stated he could place a tow ticket on a vehicle adding the problem he would have is not being able to identify the owner information of the vehicle stating he would not have the capability to do so not being a police officer. Mayor Bozza discussed the price quote of the stickers and how expensive the quote was that Chief McAndrew received. Russ Moroz stated we have found a cheaper avenue to go with the tow sticker purchase.

Mayor Bozza stated there was an issue with the Chief of Police not being able to access the camera system and stated he was able to contact Mr. Tamborelli and the password to access the camera but stated he feels the password should be changed as soon as possible.

Mayor Bozza stated he wants The News Item to know and the public to know he was not for this police merger and also stated his personal opinion is the Mt. Carmel Township is gaining two really good police officers and we are losing them.

Mayor Bozza stated beginning with April he would like to donate his Mayor salary to the Kulpmont 100 Committee.

MOTION- Mr. Bielskie made the motion to approve the Mayor salary be donated to the Kulpmont 100 beginning in April and was seconded by Mr. Sinopoli.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
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SECRETARY'S REPORT- (Rhonda Wilk)

Rhonda Wilk stated approval is needed on the January 2, 2018 amended minutes, an addition was made on page 8 which included a brief discussion and a motion and February 13th, 2018 Meeting minutes.

MOTION- Mr. Fanella made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Sinopoli to approve the amended meeting minutes from the January 2, 2018 re-organization meeting and the February 13, 2018 meetings.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
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Rhonda Wilk stated the following correspondence was received,

A letter was received from Northumberland County Tax Claim Bureau and was copied to Mayor, Council and Solicitor.

A letter was received from Representative Kurt Masser concerning roundtable discussion for local government officials and state that letter was copied to both Mayor and Council.

Rhonda Wilk stated a letter was received form the Northumberland County Conservation concerning a Tire Collection Event to be held on April 7th at the AOAA. Rhonda Wilk stated registration is required and information is available on that at the borough office.

A letter was received from Shamokin Creek Alliance concerning the 2018 Membership renewal and was copied to both Mayor and Council.

A letter was received form the Shamokin Creek Alliance concerning a planned Spring Cleanup Project at the Veterans Memorial Field, the only request in the letter is that the borough be responsible for the disposal of litter collected and they be contacted of the Boroughs approval of this project, the letter was copied to both Mayor and Council.

A letter was received from the Kulpmont 100 requesting to Close Maple Street between 11th and 13th Street from 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Saturday June 9th for a fundraiser at the West End and closure of Maple Street between 12th Streets on July 7th from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. for a craft fair fundraiser for St. Mother Pauline Religious Center, that letter was also copied to both Mayor and Council.

MOTION- to grant the Kulpmont 100 on their request for street closures by Mr. Fanella and seconded by Mr. Sinopoli.

VOICE VOTE –

Unanimous

SOLICITORS REPORT- (Edward Greco)

Solicitor Greco stated last month he advised Council on the money sitting in the County Coffers and stated he has prepared a petition to be filed in the next week or two asking the court to release those funds to the borough.

Solicitor Greco reported he has reviewed the police contract that was approved tonight with the Township. He stated he has also been working on the Ordinance regarding the police pension audit that Mr. Niglio commented on last month, it is a little more complicated, needing to go back to the original document.

POLICE CHIEFS REPORT – (Patrick McAndrew)

Police Report Attachment #2.

Chief McAndrew recommended that the password is changed on the camera system and recommends letting Rhonda Wilk know what that is so that it could be on file so that the issue does not happen again.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT – (Raymond Siko)

Report Attachment #3

Chief Raymond Siko reported we did not get the bill yet from KME for engine 221. He stated the front tire and emergency lights had to be replaced to pass inspection and stated he did not authorize the LED lights so they replaced them with the strobes and stated he has been informed as long as they have strobes it will continue to happen and so down the road we will look at it. Chief Siko requested to speak to the Solicitor at the end of the meeting concerning a request they received.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – (Kevin O' Hearn)

No Report

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT– (Tri County COG)

No Report

Mr. Bielskie reported they will be posting a few buildings this week.

CODE/HEALTH ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT – (Russ Moroz)

Attachment #5 Code Report

SERVICE AND FACILITIES – (Robert Fanella)

Surplus will be held on March 15th from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at the borough garage.

Mr. Fanella stated the Circus is scheduled for June 6th with two shows one at 5:00 and the second at 7:00 p.m. He stated a copy of liability insurance for the event was received and is on file in the borough office.

Mr. Fanella stated a price quote was obtained in the amount of \$3087.43 for various street signs.

MOTION- Mr. Fanella made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Bielskie to purchase various street signs up to the amount of \$3500.00.

Mr. Lutz stated the street signs are reflective in nature and stated over a period of time they get washed out and stated they become difficult to read and in addition we need to

put up additional signs. He stated there is no stop sign by Holy Angels where the kids get the bus and on 15th and Scott it is a raceway down that road. He stated we are going to go through the borough and see where else we need to place signs and we need to look especially where the kids get picked up from the bus, you just cannot see the little people.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
5 YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mr. Fanella stated with the Street Sweeper starting this month he would like to get the word out that usually the cars switch from parking one side to the other and stated many times the street sweeper will need to make multiple passes and so asking cars are not parked on the scheduled streets or move back after the street sweeper goes through because of needing to make multiple passes.

Mr. Fanella stated he received 4 quotes on finishing at the Wilson Building, taking down the steps and taking everything to grade.

MOTION- Mr. Fanella made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Sinopoli to finish tear down the building and steps and take everything below grade to Tom Smith for \$6,500.00 at the Wilson Building.

Mr. Lutz stated essentially what it is that we will be cleaning up that mess up at the Wilson Building.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
5 YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mayor Bozza questioned if those bids need to be advertised. The Solicitor replied no, if there is a record because it is below the threshold requirements.

Mr. Fanella stated on Fir and 10th Street we chocked it off for now with rocks and it seems to be holding for now, the plan is to replace the pipe from the inlet across from the Sobieski to the next inlet, he said when the water line was done through there they noticed the pipe was bad and they just sealed it up. Mr. Fanella stated Bruce was there and could tell you more about that. Mr. Fanella stated we got one bid so far and according to the state book because it is maintenance we would not need to advertise that. The Solicitor commented that it is almost an emergency. Mr. Fanella stated we are waiting on some more price quotes on that.

Mr. Lutz questioned if we should advertise for bids and get it out there, just to be safe. Bruce Graff suggested to get a price from Crawford since they will be in to do the water line on Scott Street, they would have all the equipment here. Mr. Bielskie commented that would depend on the cost. Russ Moroz stated we could solicit off them, it could be a

lot cheaper they would have all of the equipment already here. Mr. Lutz stated we will make some more calls.

MOTION- Mr. Sinopoli made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Fanella to purchase 12 new street lights for 3 blocks east and 3 blocks west on Chestnut Street at a cost of \$4,000.00.

Mr. Lutz stated the discussion is that on every block there is one on each end and one in the middle and the new LED lights which are less expensive are not as bright as the old sodium lights. Mr. Lutz stated we will try it out, those are very dark areas.

Mr. Lutz stated this is a commitment and stated he is not quite sure if we could just turn them back off. He stated we could go through the whole borough and see where it is most dark and go ahead and put some lights in. He stated that area right there is the most congested and so we are going to try it.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
5 YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mayor Bozza questioned if we will be putting the pedestrian signs back out. Bruce Graff replied when the storms are done adding that we only have about 14 remaining and they are bad.

Mr. Bielskie asked if anyone ever looked into putting regular signs out, they just did that in Catawissa. Mayor Bozza stated PennDOT did a study and they will not allow it. Russ Moroz stated PennDOT confirmed the street is much wider in Catawissa and there is parking on both sides, they will not allow it in the Borough. Mayor Bozza stated we get the signs for free and he would recommend getting some. Bruce Graff stated he does not know who Stephanie contacted about them. Mr. Lutz stated we will make inquiries because if the signs are enforced, they are very valuable and we will be enforcing them.

FINANCE/PURCHASING/GRANT COMMITTEE – (Walter Lutz)

Mr. Lutz stated now that we entered into the agreement with the Township, we do not need to raise taxes, if we would have had our own police force we probably would have had to raise taxes 5 mils at least because the budget was in deficit. Mr. Lutz stated when you go from \$252,000.00 to \$180,000.00 there is a \$72,000.00 pickup. He stated the budget now is almost balanced, it is a little bit positive.

Mr. Lutz stated he re did the budget again based upon what happened in January and February and the biggest change which would be the police. He stated when he considered that the budget come in a little more positive.

Mr. Lutz stated the expenditures are by department and you could kind of tie into that reasonably well, where the dilemma is with the receipts. He stated the receipts are made up of three different things, Real Estate Taxes, Per Capita Taxes and then everything else on the planet. Mr. Lutz stated there are goody numbers in there. Mr. Lutz stated they may be miscoded, and there was the situation where we took in too much money from the landlords and then we reversed it and so it gets all kind of cloudy in there, the cable tv, rent from the county, patron parking, fines and all that kind of stuff.

Mr. Lutz stated he looked at some numbers to get a handle on the receipts and put a six-year budget together assuming an increase of 1% per year on expenditures and an increase of 2 or 3% and then streamed it out. Mr. Lutz stated and then he went ahead and used this numbers stuff and said based upon \$622,000.00, which is what the old council said was the revenues then streamed that out and looked at 6 years if we were going to have any issues with financing. He stated right now the budget is in balance and as we go on year by year we will roll it forward and it looks like we are ok for the next couple of years.

Mr. Lutz stated there is a suggestion that there was this huge cash carryover, approximately \$275,000.00 beginning January 1st and of that we paid Mr. Diminick \$23,000.00 and then there was some expenses for the bridge, about \$6,000.00. Mr. Lutz stated we probably have 15 to 18 streets that need to be fixed and stated the last time we got bids it was on the average of \$28,000.00 per street.

Mr. Lutz named streets that need repair and said the possible cost could be \$420,000.00 and so we got the \$95,000.00 from the state the other day, there is some money in the highway fund and we are getting \$30,000.00 from Aqua and \$30,000.00 from UGI and so we are \$200,000.00 short and so he does not get this sense of surplus. Mr. Lutz added the wall is falling apart up at the football field and we don't know what that will cost. Mr. Lutz stated once we are settled we need to transfer from the General Fund into the Highway Fund. Mr. Lutz stated he just wanted to give that report and will be happy to share it with anybody and spend some time to go over it.

CODE HEALTH AND SAFETY (Stephen Bielskie)

Mr. Bielskie stated he took the Quality of Life Ordinance from Mount Carmel and Mount Carmel Township and took from them to combine them into one, putting stuff in and taking stuff out to create a Quality of Life Ordinance for the Borough. He stated this will make it easier for our Code Enforcement because now they will have from 1 to 22 with the fee, it will be all in one and already done. He stated he gave it to the Solicitor for review. The Solicitor asked Council if Council was comfortable with proceeding at this time, if there was any further discussion. Mr. Lutz questioned if everyone has reviewed it and if there were any questions and then commented the past council could not seem to get this done. Solicitor Greco stated we could make a motion to advertise if Council is comfortable with proceeding.

MOTION- Mr. Sinopoli made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Fanella to advertise the Quality of Life Ordinance 2018-03.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
5 YEAS – 0 NAYS

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE - (George Malakoski)

No Report

RECREATION/GRANTS - (Walter Lutz)

Mr. Lutz stated he is letting everyone know he is going to Harrisburg on Thursday and spending a lot of borough money going to a grant seminar so that he can learn to write grants and he will be charging mileage also. He stated it is interesting to him that the Shroyer's got \$600,000.00 and the High School got \$250,000.00 and stated he is not sure we have anything going.

PERSONNEL- (Michael Sinopoli)

MOTION- Mr. Sinopoli made a motion and was seconded by Mr. Fanella to approve a raise in pay for Barry Fetterman of \$2.00 retroactive to January 1st.

ROLL CALL VOTE- LUTZ (yes), BIELSKIE (yes), CHESNEY (absent), FANELLA (yes), MALAKOSKI (yes), SINOPOLI (yes), TAMBORELLII (absent)
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FIRE/EMA/POLICE COMMITTEE – (Chesney, Sinopoli and Fanella)

Mr. Lutz stated there was a meeting with Congressman Barletta's Chief of Staff and Rep. Masser had a representative there and Senator Gordner also had a representative at the meeting about ten days or so ago on the Mill. Mr. Lutz reported they are now formulating a plan of action on the mill. He stated the mill is going up for tax sale and contacted the county to try and put their heads together on this and try to come up with the best course of action.

Mr. Lutz stated they did not get a very helpful response and so as soon as Mr. Chesney gets back in town we are going to re-group and get everybody going., He stated Congressman Barletta's office staff has been very helpful.

He stated March 19th or 20th there are some people to come up and look at the wall at the football field and see if we could do something with that. Mr. Lutz said it is getting worse and worse and is afraid it will collapse so much that you cannot get a fire truck through there.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

No one spoke

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Sinopoli announced to the public that the bear is back in the area.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION- Mr. Bielskie made the motion to adjourn

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

Rhonda Wilk
Borough Secretary

Date of Approval _____