

KULPMONT BOROUGH
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2014

Opening Prayer by Councilman Bruno R. Varano
The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by body present. Kulpmont Borough Council held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday September 9, 2014.

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

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

PRESENT: Code Official Russ Moroz, Borough Supervisor Bruce Graff, Chief Michael Pitcavage, Borough Secretary Rhonda Wilk and Fire Chief Jeff Gilotti.

OTHERS PRESENT: Frank Pecatis, Joe Politza, Vince Washilewski, Irene Wislosky, Francis Rakowski, Joe Pancerella, Bernie Nestico, Tom Balanda, W. A. Lutz, Kathy Taylor, Bob Taylor, Daryl Troup, Donna Snyder, Betty Procopio, Ann Servello and Mike Sinopoli.

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 a resolution is needed to be signed for the Lower Anthracite Transportation System for the 2014- 2015 fiscal year.

MOTION- Mr. Deitrick made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Bozza to sign a resolution for the L.A.T.S with local funding to be in the amount of \$403.00.

VOICE VOTE –

Unanimous

MAYORS REPORT (Bernard P. Novakoski)

No Report

SECRETARY REPORT (Rhonda Wilk)

Rhonda Wilk states that a motion is needed to approve the meeting minutes from the regular monthly meeting held on August 5, 2014.

MOTION- Mr. Bozza makes the motion and was seconded by Mr. Deitrick to approve the August 5th meeting minutes.

VOICE VOTE-

Unanimous

Rhonda Wilk states that correspondence was received from the Kulpmont Football and Baseball Association concerning the Pep Rally, Bon-Fire and Fireworks-Copy Council and Mayor

Correspondence was also received from Aqua Water Company concerning release of the Street Opening Bond for the Water Main Replacement Phase I-Copy Council and Mayor

Correspondence was received from PSAB concerning the Fall Leadership Conference to be held in Gettysburg – Copy Council and Mayor.

MOTION- Mr. Winhofer made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Deitrick to allow the Kulpmont Football and Baseball Association to hold their pep rally, bon fire and hold their fireworks display.

Mr. Varano questions the Fire Chief if they will be available during the bon -fire and firework display. Mr. Gilotti confirms they will be.

VOICE VOTE –

Unanimous

Mr. Winhofer questions if we have current insurance information on file at the borough office. Rhonda Wilk confirms that current insurance information was received and is on file in the borough office.

Mr. Bozza states that he and Bruce Graff have been in contact with Aqua concerning the bond. Mr. Bozza states that they have a sidewalk to fix at Mr. Lentini's on Spruce Street before the bond may be released.

Mr. Bozza states that they met with the Water Company and told them the bond will not be released until the repair is done.

Mr. Scicchitano states that someone was there and marked it some time last week.

Mr. Varano questions council would like to make a motion to release the bond once the sidewalk is repaired.

MOTION- Mr. Bozza made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Deitrick to release the bond once they repair the sidewalk.

Mr. Deitrick questions Mr. Bozza on if he will keep in touch with Aqua on this issue. Mr. Bozza states that he will and that he and Bruce have been on top of it.

Mr. Varano states that it will not be released until they fix the sidewalk. Mr. Bozza states that is correct.

VOICE VOTE-

Unanimous

TREASURERS REPORT (Paul A. Niglio, Jr.)

Rhonda Wilk states that approval is needed to accept the financial statement and to pay the bills.

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

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

SOLICITORS REPORT- (William C. Cole)

No Report

POLICE REPORT (Chief Michael Pitcavage)

Report attachment 2

Mr. Varano questions Chief Pitcavage on if he has anything to add. Chief Pitcavage states that following up with the press release to the newspaper, he wants to remind residents to lock their house and cars due to the rash of break-ins and vehicle thefts.

Chief Pitcavage states that he would like to provide an update that we do have two people being charged with vehicle thefts and the arson.

FIRE CHIEFS REPORT (Jeffrey Gilotti)

Report attachment 3

EMERGENCY MANAGMENT (Kevin O' Hearn)

No Report

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

Report attachment 4

CODE/HEALTH ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS REPORT (Russ Moroz)

Report attachment 5

Mr. Moroz states that he added two things to his report the first thing added was new rental registration and the second thing was non traffic citations, those are citations that are filed with the magistrate.

Mr. Varano questions Mr. Moroz on if someone owns a property and allows relatives to live in the property if they would have to register the property.

Mr. Moroz replied that they could allow relation to move in without registering the property.

Mr. Bozza questions if they could move in without an inspection.

Mr. Moroz states that is correct if it is not a rental property.

Mr. Scicchitano adds that just as long as it is a rental property and no money is exchanged and it is a relative.

Mr. Scicchitano comments that is what was done in the past.

Mr. Varano states that he wants to go on record to say that he has a problem with that because then you would have no idea on whom is in that property and they would not fall under that ordinance as far as drugs or anything else.

Mr. Varano adds that he feels that we should take a look into making a change to that ordinance because he thinks this is slipping through the cracks.

Mr. Scicchitano states that he would like to mention so everyone is aware of this, Russ is working on the problem that we are having around town with rats and states that it is that time of the year and if people are not going to keep their garbage in trash cans other than the day that it is picked up we are going to have to cite them.

Mr. Scicchitano states that he has seen rats all over town, it is a serious problem. He adds that if you are not going to use a can you will be cited and that is all there is to it.

Mr. Varano states that it is in our ordinance anyway.

Mr. Moroz states that the problem is that people put the bags out on garbage day the night before and the rats get into it.

Mr. Scicchitano states that we have some people that put it on their porch for two or three days and states that we cannot have it, they will be cited.

Mrs. Niglio asks if everyone would be in favor of us not allowing garbage to be put out in bags anymore, because she states she would make a motion that it has to be put out in a can even the night before. Mrs. Niglio adds with a lid.

Mr. Scicchitano questions if we had that policy at one time and then changed it or what.

Mr. Varano states that is what our ordinance reads actually.

Mrs. Niglio states that we allowed it to be out in a bag the night before.

Mr. Varano states that the ordinance actually reads in a container with a lid on it.

Mrs. Niglio agrees but adds that we have allowed it the night before and the problem is that there are four different garbage people that come into the borough and it is hard for him to know and hard for him to cite them.

Mr. Deitrick states that he feels it should be put out to committee to be researched and come back to a full board with it.

Mr. Varano comments that he feels that is a good idea.

Mr. Scicchitano questions that if it reads that way what is there to research.

Mrs. Niglio states that is the only way you are going to stop the rats is if you have the garbage in a canister.

Mr. Bozza states if it states it has to be in a can then so be it.

Mrs. Niglio states that is what she wanted to do long ago but nobody agreed. Mrs. Niglio states that she will make a motion.

Mr. Winhofer states that he understands that she wants to do it, but how are you going to do it and questions who is it that will walk around at 3:00 in the morning.

Mrs. Niglio states that what she is saying is that if your garbage is out in a bag and if it is not the day that your garbage collector is coming to pick up your bag, you will be cited.

Mr. Winhofer asks how you know that.

Mrs. Niglio states that is what she means, you cannot enforce that and states that the only way you can enforce that is if someone had a bag out there that is not in a receptacle.

Mr. Varano states that his garbage man will not pick his garbage up unless it is out of the can and on top of it.

Mr. Bozza states that is what he does also.

Mrs. Niglio states that her garbage is in a receptacle all of the time.

Mr. Varano states that this will go to committee until we can get a consensus on this.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (Phillip Scicchitano)

Mr. Scicchitano states that he will need an executive session at the end of the meeting for personnel reasons.

SERVICE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE (Nicholas Bozza)

Mr. Bozza states that we need to purchase 25 gallons of yellow paint and five reserved parking signs and the total cost is \$701.50.

MOTION- Mr. Bozza makes the motion and was seconded by Mr. Scicchitano to purchase 25 gallons of yellow paint and five reserved parking signs at a total cost of \$701.50.

ROLL CALL VOTE- BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (no), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (yes)
6 YEAS – 1 NAY

Mr. Bozza states that food surplus will be held on Thursday September 18th from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

Mr. Bozza states that when George retired, Bruce was on probation period for 6 months for supervisor pay and states that should have come up in July but states that he has completely forgot about it.

Mr. Bozza states that it is \$120.00 per month for supervisor pay and states that he is entitled to that.

MOTION- Mr. Bozza makes that motion and was seconded by Mr. Deitrick to pay Bruce Graff \$120.00 per month for supervisor pay retroactive back to July.

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

Mr. Bozza states that we had an emergency purchase; we had to purchase a new hammer drill for \$240.00, our old one busted and emergency repair on our backhoe at a cost of \$1104.00.

Mr. Bozza states that concerning the UGI gas lines in town, Mr. Motyka will report on that. Mr. Motyka states that he was looking through some emails back in December 2012 UGI could not make the meeting and he states that we have not been given much of an answer.

Mr. Motyka states that he reached out to them two weeks ago and had a conversation with a person from the gas company on getting gas lines through town and he is going to take our request to his supervisors during the fiscal year meeting they will have next month.

Mr. Motyka states that they are really considering Kulpmont because of the property density of the town and states that there is a lot more involved and states that he will keep everyone updated as we go, it could save the residents potentially a lot of money so we will see how it goes.

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Stephen Motyka)

Mr. Motyka states that we will start working on the preliminary budget for 2015 next month and states that he does not know if it will fall before the next meeting or after.

Mr. Motyka states that we should have a preliminary conversation in October and a meeting in November and the formal documents by December's meeting.

Mr. Motyka states that we are looking into the police budget as far as what was allocated for this year and if we could increase coverage.

Mr. Deitrick states that he did look into that and we are under budgeted because we were down a part timer for awhile and we can add two or three shifts a week until the end of the year and states that we have the funds for that.

Mr. Deitrick states that we will monitor every month to see where we are at, that will help us with coverage adding two or three shifts.

Mr. Varano states that is good and is needed.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE (Stephanie Niglio)

No Report

GRANTS AND RECREATION (Clarence H. Deitrick)

Mr. Deitrick asks Mr. Motyka to speak about the energy information.

Mr. Motyka states that he mentioned last month about a cooperative and the grad students from Penn State University and states that he passed on all of the energy bills and they are going to do a formal energy audit and they are going to analyze all of the on peak hours and off peak hours and that students will look at the possibility of a solar grid to supply the whole town possibly and give us access to grants.

Mr. Motyka states that they have all of the information and we will keep you updated.

Mr. Motyka states that he was at a park in Upper Dauphin County and states that they have a bridge over one of the creeks there and we have a problem here in town where our residents cannot access Veterans Memorial Stadium because there is no pedestrian access, if you want to go walk the track you have to drive up Shady Acres and then drive down.

Mr. Motyka states that it is pretty complex and that they did the same thing over there, the Army Core of Engineers built it for them. He stated that they build big dams and do big projects.

Mr. Motyka states that there is a lot of work to get a project but that is what we are looking to do get a pedestrian walk way at the bottom of 7th Street but that is still early on.

Mr. Deitrick states that we have a grant in with the County for surveillance cameras and a new flag pole and states that a decision will not be made until the end of the year.

Mr. Motyka asks what is wrong with the other flag pole.

Mr. Deitrick states that is short and not very visible.

BUILDING COMMITTEE (Stephen Motyka)

Mr. Motyka states that the architect is finishing the design documents, he is wrapping that up and then we will meet and discuss what we like and don't like and will then decide which route we will go.

SENIOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Winhofer, Varano and Deitrick)

No Report

OLD BUSINESS

Mike Sinopoli states that concerning the fire siren tower. He states that the cost is \$5725.00 to paint the structure.

Mr. Sinopoli states that the people are recommending them to put it on a wooden pole and that between the electrical and everything involved, he does not have an estimate but states that you would be talking major bucks.

Mr. Bozza questions what the original estimate was.

Mike Sinopoli states that it was \$4200.00 from IMAC.

Mr. Winhofer questions if the fire chief feels that we still need a siren.

Fire Chief Jeffrey Gilotti states that he feels it is needed and states that when a person hears the siren it gets them up in the middle of the night and out of their house to look around.

Mr. Winhofer questions what the situation would be with getting the siren back up on this side of town, it was taken down and never put back up.

Jeffrey Gilotti states that the contractor was suppose to put it back up and states that your talking about \$3000.00 because they are going to high band and that the receiver at the West End will no longer work and that the signal was sent through the phone lines before.

Mr. Gilotti states that in the long run it will be better going to high band.

Mr. Winhofer states that in this day and age with mass communications the way it is, it is not like the 50's.

Mr. Bozza states that he feels like we should have one siren in town.

Mr. Winhofer states that if they are needed the both of them should be running.

Mr. Bozza agrees that they are needed and adds that one is better than none right now; we should maintain this fire tower for right now, whatever we need to do.

Mr. Varano asks for Mike Sinopoli to provide both estimates and show that both contractors are doing the same amount of work.

Mr. Scicchitano asks what the cost was to get the East Ends up and running.

Mr. Gilotti states that it was around \$4000.00 but that was just to put it up there.

Mr. Gilotti states that we would mount it on the roof, but now we have no way to access it since the phone lines have been disconnected.

Mr. Winhofer questions why the phone line was disconnected.

Mr. Deitrick states that it was disconnected with the phone service change.

Mr. Winhofer clarifies that it is not that it is disconnected; it is no longer available with the new service.

Mr. Gilotti replied that is correct.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Bozza states that he would like to wish the Knights of Columbus a very successful wine fest coming up on October 11th.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Donna Snyder of 747 Scott Street and states that as council knows they always have this on going problem with their neighbors.

She states that she was always taught in her life that there are two things that you do, be part of the problem or be part of the solution.

Donna Snyder states that her solution was to talk to her neighbors and let them know that Daryl will be unable to walk a far distance. She states that after all of the years that they got to park on Scott Street and now they have one parking spot out of four that they could have and so now it caused problems and states that she called the cops a couple times prior to it and it turns out that they worked with the solution to go and apply for a reserved parking and were approved and it is in.

Donna Snyder states that needless to say they can't paint lines and she states that she knows adults should know better and have some courtesy and common sense but these people are riding up on their butts to the point where they are in their parking spot.

Donna Snyder states that they called the cops even after Daryl tried to paint his own line and was then directed not to.

Donna Snyder states that it is a blown out situation now on Scott Street with the Wariki's and Julius Demitrius and states that the problem is if she cannot put a blue sign that says here from this sign to this line you cannot park then she states that she wants her money back.

Mr. Varano states that they are not handicap spaces, they are reserved and they are what 15 feet from the sign.

Mr. Bozza states that what it is there is no line for 15 feet.

Mr. Deitrick questions if they can paint a blue line there.

Mr. Bozza states that they did have a blue line down there and states that he was told that they had to remove it.

Mr. Winhofer states you cannot use blue, it is not handicap.

Mr. Bozza asks why he cannot put a white mark there front and back.

Council agrees that can be done and Mr. Bozza directs Bruce to have the lines painted.

Donna Snyder states that they have a double house and then they have a lot and yes she pays taxes on it and thinks that her name is on it, but you are working with people like this and states that she feels when she called the cops she feels that these people should have been ticketed immediately because they are just jerks down there.

Donna Snyder states that she will call the cops because she is done babysitting and as far as the junk yard down there, if they can live like a dump and they can get away with it.

Donna Snyder states who cares about the rats and asks what about the snakes that are crawling in, vehicles are left to sit there nobody is touching them, they are rotten and we are just leaving them sit there.

Donna Snyder states that she watched the hood of a can sit on a pole against their garage which is stucco and is breaking right apart but who cares, But Mike took care of it and helped her move it.

Donna Snyder states that without a full time officer.

Mr. Varano states that we have a full time officer.

Donna Snyder states yes, but he is not enough and states that poor guy, I would not want his job.

Mr. Varano state that we have extra shifts on right now.

Mrs. Niglio states that it is sometimes not that we do not have a cop there, it is just that he is out and if a message is left they will call back.

Donna Snyder replied that if there is someone there they are good at getting back if they are on but if we don't have a cop on then it is just that we do not have a cop on.

Donna Snyder thanks god that we had a part time cop on, McAndrew because when she was in frenzy about what was going on he was able to talk her down.

Donna Snyder states that living on Scott Street is sickening and that she is paying taxes on three properties while a pig is not paying taxes. Donna Snyder asks council to please put on more cops, get some money for and put on some more cops and states that she wants to feel safer in her home.

Mrs. Niglio states that if you ever move do not move to the 700 block of Spruce Street. Donna Snyder states that she would not survive because right down the street from her she has a bunch that when she took her grandson down the sidewalk with his bike and he is only five, it is not like he is a big teenager and she stood there and Donna Snyder states that she said sweetheart you take your body and move it because I want that sidewalk.

Donna Snyder states that nobody has respect for anyone no more and states that she did not come from a life like that.

Frank Rutkowski 1312 Poplar Street states that he understands that we may be getting some help with an additional part time cop and asks that a cop be put by the bank and by the post office because he almost was ran over twice going to the bank and coming back out. He states that you holler at the guy and they give you the finger.

Mr. Rutkowski states that the Mayor of York is helping to enforce the crossing lines and he states that Mayor Novakoski would be the perfect guy walking across the street with a cop sitting on the side.

Mr. Rutkowski states that they got something like 25 or 30 people in one hour and a half.

Mayor Novakoski states that we did that the first day we were down there demonstrating about crosswalks and six cars almost hit him and he states that he sent the squad car after the seventh one and the lady said well I seen him there and that she knew that she should have stopped.

Mayor Novakoski said his reply was that is why the crosswalk signs are there. The Mayor states that we have another part time officer coming on so we are going to try and double up the shifts so that we can be out there in the morning for an hour or two banging people and in the afternoon and after the first few days you will not have to worry once they start getting citations, they are not going to be a happy camper.

Mayor Novakoski states that he wants to stop the rigs also because they do not even slow down.

Mr. Motyka states that we are pulling the pedestrian signs down sometime in October.

Mayor Novakoski states that it does not matter; the Pennsylvania state law states that the pedestrian has the right in the crosswalk.

Mr. Winhofer states in the crosswalk not in the front of a street.

Mayor Novakoski replied yes in the crosswalk and adds that he has seen cars stop in the middle of the street to let someone cross and they do not realize that with someone coming down doesn't realize that they are stopped they are going to back hand them, but they are still doing it.

Mayor Novakoski states that people do not pay attention and when they are cited they will learn what it is all about.

Mrs. Niglio states that she has contacted Penn Dot on so many occasions already. Mrs. Niglio states that we have many mixed feelings we know some people like our devises and some don't.

Mrs. Niglio states that they slow down traffic, they end up on the sidewalk, residents think that they are their own and that they can touch them and do what they want with them and residents think they can take care of the devises and move them when they feel like it.

Mrs. Niglio states that the street department and police department are putting them back constantly and states that she has been in the car with her daughter whom works for Penn Dot and she has gone out and drug them across, she said mom do not bother the officer I will do it myself.

Mrs. Niglio states that everybody in this little tiny borough has done their best to keep the devises where they are. Mrs. Niglio states that we need to cite more people and states that she is going to again tell the Mayor and the Police Chief that we need to have more enforcement of that.

Mrs. Niglio states that she and Mr. Motyka have this week researched and found different signs that are available such as blinking signs, flashing signs, neon lights and sign we can put up on poles. Mrs. Niglio states that this municipality does not have the money for those or the space on the sidewalk to put them up.

Mr. Motyka states that a suggestion was for a major streetscape where at the corners you would have a sidewalk that cut out into the traffic lane and states that it looks very nice.

Mrs. Niglio adds that she cannot see that happening here and was told by Penn Dot that they just did that in Lewisburg and that the street there is not at all wider than what Route

61 is, stating that she begs to differ and will be going to Lewisburg to look at it herself on Friday.

Mrs. Niglio states that we keep trying to do everything we can and that her issue when she came here was the safety of the residents and the children that live here.

Mrs. Niglio states that she does not feel that she has yet accomplished that so she is again asking the Mayor and the Chief to start citing people who do not stop to let our pedestrians cross in our crosswalks.

Mrs. Niglio states that we did have safety campaign here and we did not have a great attendance, we advertised it and we told people to come and learn how they are to step off of the curb and into the crosswalks.

Mrs. Niglio states it was a good event although it rained and we could not go outside so we could not have demonstrations done. Mrs. Niglio states that we have a letter going out to Penn Dot to have a prohibition on Jake brakes to get truckers to go slower through the borough and states that she also petitioned Penn Dot to do a stop study and if people do not like the devices then we can put stop signs through the borough at every corner and then it will take them longer to get through town.

Mr. Varano states that he does not think that is legal and that the state will not restrict the traffic on a state route with stop signs.

Betty Procopio of 1217 Chestnut Street and states that she has a son Michael and that she knows that council had tried to help her and you have with the signs but they are not doing any good.

Betty Procopio states that in the middle of the night you hear boom and they knock them right over and she states that you have to be at her house at 12:30 at night when she is sitting in the room watching TV, Route 61 is like a drag race street, 12:30 at night they are going so fast up the Chestnut Street on her block and the signs are just laying there and states that she thinks they are in the way.

She states that she knows that you cannot put stop signs up but how about cameras like what you see in other towns like Lewisburg and Danville. Betty Procopio states that they take the picture of the license plate and they get arrested just by their license plate just for speeding. Betty Procopio states that then for all of these older people and Michael also, not only talking for Michael but for all regular people that walk to the corner and almost get hit by a car every time. She states that signs are all busted up; they are for no reason at all.

Betty Procopio states that she knows that council is trying to help her and knows council respects her but states that she has a son with a lot of problems and someone has to come and live in her shoes for one day and then you would know. Betty Procopio states that

when he goes up the street with Ann or Carol and they almost get hit and she does say the F word to them and she states that she does not blame them.

Betty Procopio states that she knows we do not have a lot of cops but there must be something that can be done to make 61 safe it is not safe at all and she states that when she gets company she tells them to park in the back because it is not safe at all on Chestnut Street.

Betty Procopio states that it is not safe at all for anyone and states that she wishes that when Tony died that she would have moved but states that she did not because her husband loved Kulpmont.

Betty Procopio states that she loves her house, but at 12:30 at night it is like a speedway. Mrs. Niglio replied unless there is a cop sitting there 24/7 we will not catch everyone all of the time but one of the reasons Penn Dot will not allow.... Betty Procopio interjects that it is because Penn Dot does not live on Chestnut Street. Mrs. Niglio states that it is not because of that and states that they have a 144 page document that they had the privilege of looking at and there are reasons and a lot of the reasons make sense.

Mrs. Niglio states that first of all for emergency vehicles and rescue squads and ambulances and things like that we cannot place rumble strips, there are many things that you think would work easily but they don't and adds that they did studies on them and they know and in the document it tells us why we cannot just do that.

Mrs. Niglio states that even if we had 24 hour police coverage does not mean that we are going to get the people that do these things all of the time.

Betty Procopio states that even if we had a couple more policemen that one could sit at one end and one at the other and see the speeders go through and give them tickets and with word of mouth would help because if you get a ticket you will not want to get another one.

Mrs. Niglio states that we still have it on the top of our list stating that our Mayor is new and the Chief is new and we have accomplished a lot in the seven months that we are here together and we will do what we can.

Betty Procopio states that Mike is wonderful but we need three Mike's.

Mayor Novakoski states that we went to Penn Dot to lower the speed limit but Penn Dot said no. Betty Procopio replied that Penn Dot is not living on that street.

Mayor Novakoski states that Penn Dot controls those signs and we cannot go take them off. Mrs. Procopio states that Michael can go up the road and get killed and we cannot do anything, Penn Dot said they can't.

Mayor Novakoski states that they petitioned them on the speed limit and they said no to us.

Mr. Varano directs a statement to Mrs. Procopio that her argument is with the state. Betty Procopio states that she knows but it is just a darn shame.

Mayor Novakoski states that he does not know why the speed limit cannot be 25mph from one end of town to the other.

Mayor Novakoski states that the other end of town, those people listen to jake brakes all night long as they come into town at 60, 70mph they hit the jake brake because they are not going to make the red light and states that he watched guys hit that brake and still go through it. Mayor Novakoski states that in Pennsylvania he does not know that it is even legal to put the cameras up unless the legislation gives us approval to do that.

Mrs. Niglio states that Penn Dot told her that they have to approve anything that they want to use.

Betty Procopio states that the cameras were wonderful and states that they send you a picture and a bill and say you were speeding.

Mayor Novakoski states the cameras are wonderful and adds that is not cheap.

Donna Snyder states that 10 years ago before she moved to Kulpmont she was always told do not speed through there because they are going to get you. She states that we do not have enough cops to enforce this and signs do not matter all we need is another cop or two.

Mr. Varano states that it is not like it was 10 years ago.

Donna Snyder states that we should then go back to where we were 10 years ago, it worked.

Mr. Varano states that he would love to, things are not like they use to be it's a new day and age.

Mr. Scicchitano states that taxes would go way up to have some more cops.

Donna Snyder states that we are paying taxes for a lot of crap that we put up with and states that she would pay the taxes, put it on her bill she does not care and asks to get her some cops.

Mayor Novakoski stated that she should not say that because he would have a full time department in a heart beat.

Donna Snyder states that she wants to know if a druggie is up the street that somebody is going to come, not a state trooper.

The Kulpmont Borough President Bruno R. Varano states that council met in executive session for approximately one and one half hours for personnel matters.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

**RHONDA WILK
SECRETARY**

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