


**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOROUGH OF GREENVILLE COUNCIL
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Monday, January 12, 2010 at 6:30pm**

1. Call to Order Council President Shipley called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

2. Invocation: Pastor Garry Bates, First Church of God
Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call: Brian W. Shipley, Council President
Pamela S. Auchter, Council Vice President
Thomas D'Alfonso Jr., Councilor
Theodore Jones, Councilor
Stephen May, Councilor
Alfred L. Peden, Councilor
Jasson W. Urey, Councilor

Peter A. Candela, Mayor
Tracey Vale, Treasurer/Interim Borough Secretary
Joe Joseph, Douglas & Joseph, Solicitor

Also present:
Nancy Little, Borough Secretary
Frank Vanderslice, Tax Collector
John Rusnak, HRG Engineers

Department Heads:
Dennis Stephens, Chief of Police
Steve Thompson, Fire Chief
Scott Graubard, Public Services Director
Don Patterson, Code/Zoning Officer

Anthony D'Alfonso
Garry Bates
Ron Bulboff
Daniel Little
Becky McFadden

Donald Shaw
Kate Yasgur
Media:
Caleb Stright, Record-Argus
Monica Pryts, Herald

4. Public Comments/Public Participation

Daniel Little, 163 College Avenue, reported a confrontation he had with Greenville Police on October 15, 2009 in Hempfield Township and questioned jurisdiction. Chief Stephens stated Greenville and Hempfield Police have a mutual aid agreement. Mr. Little requested the Greenville Borough solicitor be directed to expunge Mr. Little's record and damages awarded. Council President Shipley replied he will not instruct the solicitor to take any action. Chief Stephens added the matter has been adjudicated and no recourse can be taken. Mr. Little threatened legal action. Council President Shipley advised Mr. Little to speak with Chief Stephens privately for remedy.

Ronald Bulboff, 116 Shenango Street, where he has resided the past 33 years, recently had his property appraised. The agent informed Mr. Bulboff that due to the poor condition of his next door neighbor's property his appraisal is \$20,000-\$25,000 less than market. Mr. Bulboff reports his neighbor has 11 people, 6 dogs, 6 vehicles and rubbish strewn down the hill behind the property. He has requested the code officer issue code violations, but no response has been forthcoming. Council President Shipley referred the matter to the Code Committee.

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor Peden, that the minutes of the December 8, 2009 meeting be approved as written. Motion carried.

6. Budget Report

Mr. Shipley gave an overview of the budget report. Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor Peden, to approve the budget report. Motion carried.

7. Bills for Approval

Payroll	\$120,019.54
Administration/Buildings	8,553.68
Douglas and Joseph	1,250.00
Police	17,064.54
Fire	9,642.94
Code, Zoning & COG Department	2,159.54
Streets/Public Works	26,156.94
Airport	1,131.05
Park	4,246.44
DCED Loan & Bond	53,000.00
Sewer System Operating Fund	23,964.94
<u>Capital Fund Projects</u>	<u>725.80</u>
Total	\$267,915.41

Motion by Councilor Auchter, seconded by Councilor May, that the bills be paid as presented. Motion carried.

8. Mayor's items

Mayor Candela was sympathetic to Mr. Bulboff's plight and maintained he ran for mayor to address these problems. Mayor Candela invited residents to be more active in the community. A good council is in place; no one has a personal agenda and will do what's best for the borough. Mayor Candela added he is open to comment and his number is listed in the telephone book.

9. Council reports

- A. Treasurer's report for December 2009
- B. Police report for December 2009
- C. Fire report for December 2009
- D. Public Works report for December 2009
- E. GALSA agenda for the January meeting

Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor Peden, to accept the monthly reports as presented. Motion carried.

Council President called upon Mr. Graubard to address council on the return of parking spaces to the north side of Main Street that were eliminated by the Streetscape project. Mr. Graubard reported PennDOT has given the borough discretion and the Street Committee has agreed to restore three (3) spaces to Main Street. Councilor D'Alfonso asked how many spaces were there before Streetscape was completed. Mr. Graubard responded it is unknown. Councilor D'Alfonso requested Mr. Graubard conduct further research to be certain the maximum number of parking spaces is added. Councilor May inquired about the cost to add spaces. Mr. Graubard replied the cost of painting lines. Council President Shipley suggested in the interest of pushing ahead with the project that Mr. Graubard compile his assessment and restore the parking spaces when completed. There was general consensus by council for this action.

10. Reports from Council Committees

Council President Shipley assigned council committees, attached. He appointed Councilors Peden and May to join him on an ad hoc committee to study and make recommendations on GALSA.

11. Unfinished Business

- A. Motion by Councilor Auchter, seconded by Councilor Urey, to accept the recommendation by the ACT 47 coordinator motion to issue RFP's for the audit of 2010 records, to be performed in 2011 and that said RFP's be reviewed before posting by council. Motion carried.

12. New Business

- A. Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor May, to approve seven (7) Per Capita exonerations in the amount of \$35.00 from the Greenville Tax office. Motion carried.
- B. Motion by Councilor Peden, seconded by Councilor Urey, to accept the resignation of volunteer fire fighter Adam Harvey effective immediately. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Councilor Auchter, seconded by Councilor Peden, to approve a one year contract renewal with Reeves Information Technology for computer services that includes a \$20/month increase. Mrs. Vale reported in 2008 the monthly fee was \$800, in 2009 \$744 and in 2010 will be \$764. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor May, to dispose of 2001 common records in the Borough administrative office. Motion carried.
- E. Motion by Councilor Peden, seconded by Councilor May, to enact Resolution 2010-01 regarding police pension contributions. Motion carried.
- F. Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor Peden, to accept the recommendation from the Airport Commission to re-appoint RBS Consultants as airport engineers through December 2015. Motion carried.
- G. Motion by Councilor Auchter, seconded by Councilor Urey, to accept the recommendation from the Greenville Sanitary Board to approve Policy# 2009-1 regarding requirements for contractors hired to perform remedial work on private sewer laterals. Councilor D'Alfonso asked if the Sanitary Authority Board has agreed with both West Salem and Hempfield Township the definition of a sewer lateral. Councilor Auchter replied it was not known and she would discuss it at the next Sanitary Authority Board meeting on Tuesday. The motion failed. Motion by Councilor D'Alfonso, seconded by Councilor Peden, to table approval of Policy # 2009-1. Motion carried.
- H. Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor May, to accept the 2010 Mercer County Council of Governments Joint Municipal Purchasing Program low bidders and issue contracts. Motion carried.
- I. Motion by Councilor Auchter, seconded by Councilor Urey, to accept the recommendation from the Code Committee to issue RFP's for UCC inspection services with a start date of March 2010. Motion carried.
- J. Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor Jones, to suspend the Borough's participation in the Sister Cities program as the membership renewal is \$250 per year. Motion carried.
- K. There was discussion on the Junior Councilor Program. Council President Shipley appointed Councilor Jones to facilitate the program. Councilor Jones gave an overview, requesting council welcome participants. Councilor Auchter recommends selecting an interested student, not a top student that is looking for another resume block. Councilor May asked how the junior councilors participate. Councilor Jones responded one junior and one senior student are preferred and they are expected to attend all council meetings in a nine month period but do not have voting privileges. The junior councilors may also attend committee meetings.
- L. Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor May, to appoint Council President Shipley to the MPO board and reserve the alternate seat for the new borough manager. Motion carried.
- M. There was discussion regarding an appointment to the Shenango Valley Enterprise Zone board. There was general consensus to leave the appointment open for the new borough manager.

13. Council comments

Councilor Jones suggested amending the Farm Market schedule to allow vendors to sell from April through November weather permitting. This item will be placed on the February Work Session agenda.

Councilor Auchter announced the Code Enforcement Committee will be scheduling a meeting before the end of January. She also suggested if councilors are unable to attend assigned meetings to contact the council president.

Councilor Peden welcomed new council members.

Council President Shipley announced a special council meeting on Saturday, February 20th at 10:00a. The purpose of the meeting is to review the ACT 47 Recovery Plan and any other business before council. The meeting is open to the public.

The 2010 ethic statement forms were distributed to council members with a request to complete them by January 31st and return them to the borough office.

Council President Shipley attended last evening's GALSA meeting. He noted GALSA board president Becky McFadden was present now, welcomed her back to the board and reported GALSA is willing to work with council.

14. Adjournment

Having no other business before council, motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor Peden, to adjourn the meeting at 7:28pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey Vale
Interim Borough Secretary