

  
**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOROUGH OF GREENVILLE COUNCIL  
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
Tuesday, November 10, 2009 at 6:30pm**

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

**2. Invocation:** Kent Bell, Bethel Life Worship Center  
Pledge of Allegiance

**3. Roll Call:** Pete Longiotti, Council President  
Pamela S. Auchter, Vice President  
David P. Henderson, Councilor  
Henry M. Mueller, Councilor  
Alfred L. Peden, Councilor  
Brian W. Shipley, Councilor  
Jasson W. Urey, Councilor

Richard H. Miller, Mayor

Also present:  
Joe Joseph, Borough Solicitor  
Tracey Vale, Treasurer  
Nancy Little, Secretary

Department Heads:  
Dennis Stephens, Police Chief  
Steve Thompson, Fire Chief  
Don Patterson, Code/Zoning

Mike Cadman  
Pete Candela  
Anthony D'Alfonso  
Tom D'Alfonso  
Ted Jones  
Steve May  
John McDonald  
Diana Miller  
Don Shaw  
Frank Vanderslice  
Kate Yasgur

Police Officers:  
Paul Molton  
James Hellman  
Wesley Carson  
Ralph Henry

Media:  
Caleb Stright, Record-Argus  
Monica Pryts, Herald

**4. Public Comments**

Ted Jones, 250 East Avenue, stated according to Ordinance 1429 Greenville's Farmer's Market closes yearly on October 31 but was operating on November 7<sup>th</sup> and appeared to be staffed by the Farmer's Market manager. Councilor Shipley was unaware of it and will investigate.

**5. Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor Henderson, that the minutes of the October 8 public hearing, the October 13 regular meeting and the October 28, 2009 public meeting be approved. Motion carried.

## **6. Budget Report**

Council President Longiotti gave an overview of the budget report. Councilor Henderson reminded council there is an extra payday in December and finances are planned for it. Motion by Councilor Henderson, seconded by Councilor Auchter, to approve the budget report. Motion carried.

## **7. Mayor's items**

Mayor Miller read a letter of commendation for police officers Sergeant Paul Molton, Patrolman Wesley Carson, Patrolman Ralph Henry and Patrolman James Hellman for their investigation of a murder case in 2008. Councilor Urey led a standing ovation and round of applause for the officers. A letter of commendation was presented to police officers Sergeant Randy Patterson and the following Patrolman: Dennis Bish, Jeremiah Christner, Edward Carter, Samuel Varano, Anthony Settle, Laurie Parker, Jon Wagner and Michael Brown for volunteering their services in assisting with the ongoing murder investigation.

## **8. Council reports**

- A. Treasurer's report for October 2009
- B. Police report for September & October 2009
- C. Fire report for October 2009
- D. Public Works reports for October 2009
- E. Code/Zoning Officer report for October 2009
- F. GALSA meeting agenda for November 9, 2009

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

## **9. Unfinished Business**

- A. Motion by Councilor Shipley, seconded by Councilor Urey, to extend the current Waste Management contract for one year, from April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011, with an increase of 2.5% for residential and 3% for commercial customers. Motion carried.
- B. Motion by Councilor Peden, seconded by Councilor Shipley, to advertise the 2010 Proposed Budget. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Councilor Henderson, seconded by Councilor Urey, to set a public meeting to adopt the 2010 Proposed Budget for Tuesday, November 24, 2009 at 6:00p in council chambers. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Councilor Mueller, seconded by Councilor Auchter, to authorize the solicitor to schedule an EIT hearing with the courts. Motion carried.
- E. Motion by Councilor Mueller, seconded by Councilor Urey, for a first and final reading of Ordinance 1485 regarding borough parking lots. Motion carried.

- F. Motion by Councilor Henderson, seconded by Councilor Auchter, to approve Ordinance 1485 regarding borough parking lots. Motion carried.
- G. Motion by Councilor Shipley, seconded by Councilor Peden, to authorize the borough council president to send a letter to DCNR requesting a change of scope for the awarded \$15,500 grant from a Riverside Park Study to a Multi-Municipal Recreation/Park & Open Space Plan Study. Motion carried.

## **10. New Business**

- A. Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor Mueller, to accept the tax collector's report of 11 additions to the Per Capita roll and 6 exonerations in the amount of \$30.00 from the Greenville Tax office. Motion carried.
- B. Motion by Councilor Shipley, seconded by Councilor Mueller, to reinvest \$141,000 CD set to expire November 25, 2009 with PLGIT. Motion carried.
- C. Motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor Shipley, to authorize the borough council president to sign the Mercer County Regional Planning Cooperation Agreement. Motion carried.
- D. Motion by Councilor Mueller, seconded by Councilor Urey, to approve the access request for former Brownie's Oil station. Motion carried.
- E. Motion by Councilor Henderson, seconded by Councilor Shipley, to authorize Fire Chief Steve Thompson to submit an application for fiscal year 2009 to Safer Grant Program. Chief Thompson provided additional information, stating the grant may be used for new hires or recalling laid-off firefighters, adding if there are any modifications on grant use he will inform council immediately. Motion carried.
- F. Motion by Councilor Mueller, seconded by Councilor Auchter, to accept the recommendation from Police Chief Dennis Stephens to reinstate Michael Moore as part time officer. Motion carried.
- G. Motion by Councilor Mueller, seconded by Councilor Urey, to award the apparent low bids to Sereday Excavating for \$6,300 to demolish 65 North Race Street and \$4,300 to demolish a portion of 72 South Second Street to be paid with CDBG grant monies. Motion carried.
- H. Motion by Councilor Mueller, seconded by Councilor Urey, to appoint borough treasurer Tracey Vale as Interim Borough Secretary. Motion carried.
- I. There was some discussion regarding placing the order before the end of 2009 for a new police cruiser to be delivered in 2010. This item will be added to the December council agendas.

## **11. Council Comments**

Councilor Shipley requested discussion at the public meeting on November 24 about GALSA finances. Councilor Auchter replied the 2010 budget is complete and budgeting

considerations should be discussed for 2011. Councilor Henderson commented the time could be used to “clean up” or amend any ordinances regarding GALSA. Council President Longiotti suggested council be guided by the Borough Code. Solicitor Joseph stated the borough has not conformed to the existing ordinances for years now. Council President Longiotti replied the new council must be prepared to make the necessary, hard decisions.

Councilor Henderson added his commendations to the police department and also the fire department for the excellent jobs they do.

Councilor Peden added his commendations to the police department for a good force.

**12. Bills for Approval**

Payroll	\$113,520.81
Administration/Buildings	10,408.21
Tax Expense	8,460.72
Douglas and Joseph	1,250.00
Police	19,982.01
Fire	18,608.71
Code, Zoning & COG Department	2,015.58
Streets/Public Works	27,789.63
Streetscape II	1,706.06
Airport	1,846.93
Park	3,510.33
Insurance	6,120.18
December 1, 2009 Bond Payment	68,283.75
2009 MMO Payment	136,287.58
Sewer System Operating Fund	20,447.30
<u>Capital Fund Project</u>	<u>4,480.95</u>
Total	\$444,718.75

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

**13. Adjournment to Executive Session**

Having no other business before council, motion by Councilor Urey, seconded by Councilor Henderson, to adjourn to executive session at 7:31pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey Vale  
Interim Borough Secretary