

The regular meeting of the Council of the Borough of Minersville was held at 7:00 p.m., April 14, 2009 in the Council Chambers, North Delaware Avenue and East Carbon Street.

Mr. William Angelo presided and opened the meeting with the Flag ceremony.

**ATTENDANCE:**

The following Council members attended: Mr. William Angelo, President; Mr. Keith Adams, Vice-President; Mr. Albert Bobinas; Mrs. Helen Droskinis; Mr. James Kimmel; Mr. Paul Vuksta; Mayor David Dutcavich; Solicitor Albert Evans; and Megan Paul, Secretary. Also attending were James Cleary, Infrastructure Manager; Police Chief Robert Bergan; Fire Chief Eric Eichenberg; Fred Bainbridge, Code Enforcement Officer; Jeffery Enders, Street Supervisor; and Eric Andrucheck, Borough Assistant Fire Chief. Mr. Jamie Kuehn was absent.

Six Council members were present, which constituted a quorum.

Mrs. Droskinis made a motion to approve March's Secretary Minutes; seconded by Mr. Adams. Motion passed as presented.

**VISITORS:**

Mrs. Lorraine Enders, S Fourth Street, questioned the status of the residential parking only on S Fourth Street. Mrs. Droskinis stated the Council will meet with the Little League to discuss the issue. Also, Mrs. Droskinis stated she went over to Pottsville to see where they have residential parking. She stated there is residential parking only at both hospitals, by St. Joseph Church, High School, the Nursing School, and Schuylkill Avenue for a total of 26 blocks of residential parking only.

**COMMITTEES:**

***Streets, Highways & Electric Lights:***

Mr. Adams made a motion to advertise for sealed bids for paving of streets; seconded by Mr. Vuksta. Motion passed as presented.

Mr. Adams made a motion on the recommendation of Entech Engineering to award the Church Street Renovation Bids to

Curbing & Sidewalks -	B&R Construction	\$202,245
Piping & Valves -	L/B Water Services	\$ 28,563.31
Stone -	H&K Group	2B - \$11.10/ton 2A - \$ 9.75/ton
Equipment Rental -	MidAtlantic Machinery Inc	138 Kumatso \$8,400 for 2 mths

Seconded by Mr. Vuksta. Motion passed as presented.

***Fire:***

All council members received a copy of the fire report submitted for March by Fire Chief Eric Eichenberg.

***Law & Order:***

Chief Bergan stated the regulation for parking at intersections is 23 feet (20 feet and 3 feet at crosswalk).

***Community Development & Public Property:***

Mr. Adams made a motion to adopt the resolution approving the Community Development Block Grant

Program Application for Federal Fiscal Year 2009; seconded by Mr. Bobinas. Motion passed as presented.

***Finance & Sanitation:***

Mr. Adams made a motion to approve the bills properly signed and pay the bills as presented, ; seconded by Mrs. Droskinis. Motion passed as presented.

Mr. Adams made a motion to approve the reports of all officers; seconded by Mr. Vuksta. Motion passed as presented.

Mr. Adams would like Council to review the Treasurer's Report.

Mr. Cleary stated a quote was received for adding on the Utility Module to the Finance Software. The bill would be split between the Water, Sewer and Borough. Mr. Cleary stated Mr. Cuff is looking to see if there is a grant available to cover the purchase of the software. Mr. Adams made a motion to approve the Borough purchase of the billing system; seconded by Mrs. Droskinis. Motion passed as presented.

***Water & Sewer:***

Mr. Cleary stated a public meeting will be held on May 6, 2009 for the residents of Church Street to inform them of the Church Street Project.

***Personnel:***

Nothing to Report.

***Senior Citizens & Recreation:***

Mr. Adams made a motion to advertise the pool rates; seconded by Mrs. Droskinis. Motion passed as presented.

Mrs. Droskinis stated she has contacted the Masonry Shop at the VoTech to help construct the Brick Wall. The two Minersville students will construct the Brick Wall.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

A letter was read from the Minersville Business and Professional Association requesting to hold Spirit Day on September 13, 2009 from 9 am to 6 pm with the rain date being Sunday, September 20, 2009. Mr. Adams made a motion approve the request; seconded by Mrs. Droskinis. Motion passed as presented.

A letter was read from Morgan Schnabel, Yocko's Bar & Grill, requesting to place a sign on Rt. 901 advertising the UFC Fights on Friday Night. Mr. Bobinas made a motion to reject the request since that area is for non-profit or one-time events; seconded by Mr. Adams. Motion passed as presented.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Angelo stated there have been two nominations for Citizen of the Year, Mr. Gregory Volkay and Mr. Joseph Mahal. Mrs. Droskinis made a motion to award Mr. Joseph Mahal 2009 Citizen of the Year; seconded by Mr. Vuksta. Motion passed as presented.

Mr. Bobinas stated the next COG meeting will be held on April 21, at the American Sons of Italy, Palo Alto. Mr. Bobinas stated the Council has to appoint two representatives to serve on the COG for the Borough. The cost to join may be \$100 per year.

Mr. Bobinas would like to see a better partnership with the School District to help serve the community.

With no further business to discuss, Mrs. Droskinis made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Adams. Motion passed as presented.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Paul  
Borough Secretary