

## **MINUTES Bloomfield Borough Council September 6, 2016**

Bloomfield Borough Council met this evening in regular session in the Bloomfield Borough Council Chambers with the following Council members present: President Malinda C. Anderson, Vice President John J. Patterson V., Michelle L. Jones, Patricia A. McCarty, Pierce L. Clouser, Jr., Michael P. Pray, and Karl L. Cless.

Also present: Mayor Arlis Krammes, Borough Secretary Danielle Shope, Assistant Secretary Kathleen Miller, Zoning/BBCEO/Water Authority Officer Edward Albright, Jr., Perry County Times Reporter Jim Ryan, HRG Borough Engineer Josh Fox, Bloomfield Borough Planning Commission representatives Melanie Rowlands, Nathan Mohler, and Kevin Fitzpatrick, Borough employee Damon Hartman, Burgett and Associates representative Chris Hinkle, and Borough residents Peg and Herb Robb, Steve Dowell, Don Jacobs, Linda Jacobs, Sherrie Shearer, Dave McCluskey, Steve Naylor, Chaz Sheaffer, Harry Nazzon, Cory Peters, Seth J. Tressler, Mike Whitmer, Gerald Jansen, and Scout Dakota Miller.

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### ***MEETING OPENING***

**Recording of the Meeting** – President Anderson advised the attendees that the meeting was being recorded by the Council for the accuracy of the minutes and stated that side conversations should be conducted in the hallway so as to not disrupt the meeting or its recording and reminded everyone that talking when someone else is speaking also disrupts the meeting and affects the recording. President Anderson further requested that those individuals in the audience desiring to speak identify themselves prior to speaking and they have 10 minutes to present their concern. President Anderson stated that Council will not deviate from the agenda and any questions should be addressed during the appropriate portion of the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes** – Councilman Pray made a motion, seconded by Councilman Cless, to approve the August 2, 2016 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

**Approval of Financial Report** – Vice President Patterson made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman McCarty, to approve the financial report for August 2, 2016 as presented. Motion carried.

### ***PUBLIC COMMENTS***

**Scout Dakota Miller** - Troop 92 Boy Scout Dakota Miller presented his Eagle Scout Service Project Proposal to Borough Council. He would like to clean up and refurbish the New Bloomfield spring and make it a safe and relaxing spot for families to visit. He would like to take out the wire fencing and replace it with new vinyl white fencing, do power washing and then provide 2 benches. Councilman Cless remarked that the wire fence belongs to a property owner so Scout Miller will have to contact the property owner. President Anderson provided Scout Miller the name of Mr. Keith Stouffer as owner of the fencing. Scout Miller should contact Mr. Stouffer to see if he is interested in this project. President Anderson also stated Perry County is in a drought watch so the power washing would have to be put on hold until that is lifted. In addition, no chemicals may be used because the spring water is used. Scout Miller would have to contact Water Authority Mike Scheffey about opening a hydrant for water.

The Aesthetics Committee would also like to be involved in the bench selection process. Unfortunately, Council cannot give approval for Scout Miller's project at this time. If he makes these suggested inquiries and presents his revised project to Council, they would be glad to consider approval.

**Borough Residents** - New Bloomfield resident Charles Sheaffer bought a house on East High St. and he voiced his concern about the traffic due to the bridge closure.

Businessman Seth Tressler also commented on the bridge closure affecting his Service Station business because it is difficult to back out of his property due to the increased traffic. (Let it be noted that his business is no longer located on South Carlisle Street at time of his comment).

New Bloomfield resident Sherri Shearer stated her bridge closure concerns, but also stated that the Borough forced her to borrow \$2,600 to replace her sidewalk. She wants the Borough to follow the same rules. She also stated there have been several accidents between Wayne's Transmission and the jail. When this happens, there is no detour route for cars.

Councilman Cless then stated that per President Anderson's instructions he did a preliminary study, not stepping on Mr. Fox's toes, and got some preliminary numbers and contacted several people. Rick Levan from PennDOT gave him pointers on what could or could not be done. Mr. Levan told Mr. Cless that the Borough would be unable to collect any grant money because that was a single lane road. Then, Mr. Cless visited Mr. Neil Imes (Perry County Soil Conservation) to discuss the site and the possibilities there and Mr. Imes recommended Mr. Cless talk with Tiffany Landis who is the Senior Hydraulic engineer at DEP for permit qualifications. Mr. Cless took a bunch of photos and sent them to Ms. Landis and she gave Mr. Cless her suggestions. Mr. Cless then contacted Joe Burgett to get an estimate to prepare the DEP GP-11 permit, the ROW work and site survey etc. Mr. Cless contacted Nyce Construction to get an estimate on pre-fabricated concrete culverts for the crossing. Mr. Nyce has forms to make these concrete sections and he actually bolts them together and his cost would include pouring, bringing in and bolting them together. The Borough would have to dig it up, but he would come in and set it. Then, the Borough would have to fill it back in. Mr. Cless also contacted Keith Thebes, Centre Township supervisor, to see about partnering with Centre Township for their equipment. It would not cost the Borough anything, but the equipment to run it. Mr. Thebes would be glad to do that. Mr. Cless contacted Pennsy Supply on quantities and prices of aggregate fill required. Councilman Cless has all these numbers and will present them to Council probably during budget negotiations. His numbers point toward only a single lane with two lane of culvert put together which will help with slowing down and safety issues, Cless stated. Then, at some point after we can reopen the road and have Borough employees start to create and fill in and make the road bed for the second lane and then add to that maybe next year. Since we are concerned about the cost issues we can split it up and do one lane at a time. Councilman Cless' estimate is right around \$45,000 for this proposal.

President Anderson asked Mr. Fox, Borough engineer, if he had anything to add to this since he was going to speak on this. The only thing Mr. Fox was going to speak on was the possible implications on the liquid fuels money. He stated there are no implications for temporary road closure as far as liquid fuels money goes. Councilman Cless stressed that Mr. Levan told him the Borough would begin to lose liquid fuels money come October. Mr. Fox stated that is not the message they got from the district office. If it was a permanent closure, you would lose the liquid fuels money, but this is not a permanent closure. President Anderson stated that they do not know what they are doing with the bridge, so Council needs to come up with the best options.

### **BURGET & ASSOCIATES - REISINGER SUBDIVISION**

Mr. Chris Hinkle with Burget & Associates passed out the copies for the Reisinger property subdivision. The Reisingers own the tract of land that fronts on Locust Street. It borders to the southern side, the unopened McClure Street alleyway. The tract in question is about a 1/3 of an acre of ground. Right now it is an open lawn. The Reisingers still own this lot and want to create it as a viable building lot. The only thing that needs to be completed is to allow for sewage disposal. The Plant capacity is fine and he has the approval letters from DEP. This makes it a viable building lot. As part of the action, since McClure is unopened, they are looking at adding that 20 feet onto their lot. President Anderson stated that they were planning to open the remainder of McClure Street. An ordinance was passed last month opening 300ft. of McClure Street and they were talking about doing the same for this property if developed, abandoning the alley. Discussion followed. The Borough Planning Commission has approved this plan. Melanie Rowlands of the Borough Planning Commission explained that this changes it from being listed as a non-building lot to being listed as a building lot, but does not give the permission to build, but the potential to build is there. Councilman Cless questioned the power lines and the proximity of a house to power lines. Mr. Ed Albright, Borough Zoning Officer, stated it has been determined that a house can be put on this lot and not be in the right of way of the power lines. Councilman Clouser made a motion, seconded by Vice President Patterson, to change the lot from a non-building lot to a building lot. Motion carried with Councilman Cless deferring. President Anderson signed the plans.

### **DON JACOBS - BARNETT WOODS ROAD**

Mr. Don Jacobs stated, "I appreciate the Borough giving me a few minutes to talk to you folks today. Again you probably realize I've been patient. I like to hear positive things and I guess the reason I'm talking today is because I really haven't gotten any positive input as to how things are going with the bridge so far, whether you are going to do something with it or whether you are going to let it set for a while. And that is my concern. I have a few issues I'd like to address. (At this point Vice President Patterson asked, "Did you like the way we cleaned up your area for you?" Mr. Jacobs said, "That was beautiful, thank you very much." VP Patterson said, "Including taking the road closed signs away?" Mr. Jacobs said, "Yes, I was going to ask about that. It didn't work when I asked for it, but I noticed it happened after, somebody else must have said something." VP Patterson said, "Yes, that was me. I thought of a better way." Mr. Jacobs said, "OK, we did too but it took you longer to catch on." Laughter. VP Patterson said, "The wheels of justice and so on." Mr. Jacobs said, "But of course you guys realize my position. It's an unnecessary traffic hazard, congestion inside the Borough which you've heard from other people, which I'm sure you hear from a lot of people. It's an inconvenience for my staff, our clientele as well as an inconvenience for the drive thru. I do have to thank you for moving the road closure signs. You use this as a road, I found this interesting, believe it or not, contrary to what I heard, people in the Borough do use that road. They are affected by increased traffic in town. Gary Eby of all people uses that road at least once a week to take a lawn mower down there, I guess to mow around the sewage treatment plant and today I saw a motorcycle go up that road. So I don't know where Gary's going but Gary does make it across the bridge. So, the other thing, I guess the thing that I find unacceptable and I find insulting is that the Borough uses that road more than anybody else. You use it to access the lot that is right next to our property. Then use it to access the sewage treatment plant. You don't care about the part in the middle that affects my office and everybody else. It seems to me as long as it's convenient for the Borough the heck with everybody else. That's the way I see it, I mean, you guys are using that road. It has not affected you. I mean John, give me some reasons for not repairing the bridge. One was nobody in the Borough uses the road. No one on Borough council uses the road so we don't care about it. If we repair it overweight trucks will damage the bridge again- there's no overweight trucks on that bridge." President Anderson said, "You are very wrong." Mr. Jacobs said, "I've been in that office for getting close to twenty years. The one thing the girls in the office commented on was a school bus uses that road." VP Patterson said, "I can assure you we have proof". President Anderson said, "I personally pulled over an eighteen wheeler with almost 27,000 pounds." Mr. Jacobs said, "Did you arrest him?" President Anderson stated, "I don't have arrest

powers so I can't." Mr. Jacobs said, "Citizens arrest, take a picture." President Anderson stated, "I did and sent it to the State Troopers, so." Mr. Jacobs said, "You know more about that than I do a little bit. But it is not a common thing if someone uses the road. When I looked at the engineering report, the engineering report does not address heavy truck traffic, it addresses normal wear and tear. I mean you guys, I'm hoping everyone on the Borough Council read it. I took the time to read it. The other thing I found quite interesting was when you read the inspection report the bridge isn't in that bad of shape. There's instructions back here in the back about how to repair the bridge, not replace the bridge. I mean, a masonry contractor, reset some of the stones that are underneath it. It says the concrete pad that the concrete sets on top of is fine. So when I looked at this I'm thinking, heck you guys could probably repair the bridge for cheaper than \$45,000 bucks. Another reason I heard is the Borough doesn't have any money. I have it from a pretty good source you have about a million dollars in your general fund. That seems more than chump change to me. Again I heard from Karl today the bridge work can be done for much less than \$80,000 and there are some of the issues. Now it seems like there's issues with the Borough Council. You guys probably all read the paper about the August 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. It seems like there's two people that want to run the show and it concerns me I mean I think you got seven people on the Borough and you all need to share your input and have concerns. I mean I'm in the insurance business you guys know that and this is just food for thought, this is not a threat of anything, but town officials can sometimes be held personally liable for failing to act or taking unauthorized actions on the part of the town. That's important, somebody gets hurt, who's responsible for that does it come back on you guys? I don't know if you have a director's and officer's policy but you may want to consider that. Council members statutory use of performance with that exception by the council as a whole. The Council, not individual members, must supervise administrative officers. And you guys need to be concerned with the conduct of your daily affairs but also with not only the conduct of daily affairs but with the future development of the town. They're important things. Am I still under my ten minutes? Cool. The last thing, if money is an issue, I have a written offer here to buy the lot next to our office and I'll present it to you and maybe you guys can take time and vote on it one day but it would provide you with some income and help offset the cost of the lot and also provide you with a profit over and above what you paid for the property. I would have paid more or offered more but the road's closed. Thank you."

Vice President Patterson stated, "I think we'll have by next month, I will have a retort for your questions and answers. How's that?" Mr. Jacobs said, "Ok, perfect." VP Patterson said, "and then we'll go from there."

Councilwoman Jones said she would like to see Mr. Jacobs research on that. He stated that pretty much his research was all the research the Council had. Councilwoman Jones said, "You said the majority of the traffic on that road is Borough residents. I want to see the research on that." Mr. Jacobs said, "No No, I'm not saying Borough residents, I'm saying Borough residents use the road. The majority of the road traffic is probably people going to Newport. OK, but when those people are not going to Newport on the shortcut they're going through town causing congestion problems."

Vice President Patterson said, "What you and possibly the rest of the individuals that came to support you are willing to throw us under the bus for the fact that since we own it and we have to maintain it and we have to rebuild it that the other projects that we feel are way more important than that bridge will have to stop. We are talking about our sewer systems, our water systems, getting everything up to date and cleaned up as far as the federal regulations go, that's where we're at."

President Anderson said, "I will only throw out one comment and that is whatever the expenses are you should double it because there are two bridges that are involved. They both have an 8 ton limit. It's only by the grace of God that the other one has not broken yet because then the Borough would be up the creek without a paddle if that occurred. We have access, barely, to our sewer plant. We have to have access to our sewer plant to remove the sludge." After Mr. Tressler stated the road needs to be labeled correctly to keep overweight trucks off the road President Anderson stated, "It has been labeled correctly, it says no

trucks with weight limits, and Map Quest and Google and everyone else, they have that road mapped for truck traffic.”

Vice President Patterson then asked, “Are you willing to have the taxes raised in New Bloomfield for the sake of that road?”

President Anderson asked the engineer to speak. Mr. Josh Fox, HRG, was not the structural engineer that did the report, but he was involved because of his work with the Borough. Shortly after the structural evaluation was completed they had a phone call that the bridge had actually changed condition. What happened was the superstructure on the abutments had actually moved to the point where the HRG engineer recommended the road be closed due to safety and at that point the Borough took action to close it. So it was HRG’s recommendation for it to be closed. They cannot say it was trucks but something big had moved it significantly and it was no longer safe and the abutments were no longer going to support the superstructure anymore.

Mr. Cory Peters asked Councilman Cless a question about the one lane bridge changing it to two lane. He asked if we could receive grant money if the road was two lane. Councilman Cless said if we make it two lane then it becomes eligible. Mr. Peters suggested increasing the weight limit of the bridge. Mr. Cless said the concrete culverts that he’s suggesting will handle any weight limit. More discussion.

President Anderson said, “Obviously this is an issue that needs to be resolved and discussed and we’ll have to try to come up with some solutions that are appropriate and work for everyone and hopefully we can do that without a lot of name calling and finger pointing.”

#### ***ENFORCEMENT***

**Solicitor’s Report** – Mr. Richard Wagner could not attend for personal reasons.

**Development Judicial Judgment** – President Anderson stated she and Vice President Patterson attended the Pretrial Conference at the Perry County Courthouse concerning the development at Spring Lake. The Pretrial Conference was held August 26, 2016 before Judge Mumma and he hopes we are on his agenda for some time in October. That will have effect on the pump station that goes with hand in hand with Lot 30.

**Blighted/Disrepaired Homes** - As far some of the blighted/disrepaired homes in town, Mr. Wagner is looking into this issue. He said we do not want to appoint a development authority to oversee the repairs, etc. because we do not have the funding and it may take two years to get someone approved for that. Council will try to come up with other methods to address these homes which are becoming safety issues.

**Enforcement Committee Report** – Councilman Clouser met with the Mayor and a gentleman from Perry Village about the feral cat situation. The man is going to try to solve the situation on his own rather than going through the Borough and the expense of animal control. The cats are not necessarily feral because they are being fed at Perry Village.

They also met with Mr. Drew Tush of George Junior who asked if the Borough would be interested in working with people on community service status. This is not an option because the Borough would have to supervise them. The Borough is not interested in this program at this time.

**Mayor’s Report** – Mayor Krammes reported the Borough receives many compliments on how good it is looking. There have been some complaints on McClure Street so Mr. Albright and Mayor Krammes are dealing with the situations and it appears to be working.

**Parking Enforcement Officer Report** - Mayor Krammes reported there were 11 tickets issues in August with 4 unpaid. There is still an ongoing problem with the County Courthouse and parking tickets. There is an agreement with the County that if vehicles do not have a laminated parking placard in their window they will receive a ticket.

**Borough Enforcement Officer's Report** – Mr. Albright issued 8 warnings for various pieces of junk on porches and high grass. All issues were taken care of within 24 hours. Regarding the permits for the County, Mr. Albright spoke with Marty Smith who has the permits and he will give out the permits when certain offices need them and when they are out they are out. Mr. Smith has told the people making photo copies to stop doing that or the tickets will not be voided. Mr. Albright took some tickets to the DJ and attended a hearing Friday for a person from Etters. It was thrown out of court because it was not filed in a timely manner. We have thirty days to file at the DJ office after we find out whose vehicle it is. It is a tight time frame. Two people were in the cemetery after dark. They were from Shermans Dale.

#### ***ADMINISTRATIVE***

**Announcements and Correspondence** – Thank you letters have been received from the Literacy Council (for \$350), Lions Club (for sealing cracks in one of the tennis courts at Lions Park at no cost) and Chamber of Commerce (for making the Grand Reopening celebration a success) for Borough contributions.

**Budget Meeting Dates** – The Budget Meeting dates are October 17, 18, and 19 at 4:00 p.m. Permission was granted to start the meetings at 4:00 p.m. President Anderson encouraged everyone to attend these meetings.

**Join Hands Lease** - The lease for Join Hands is up for renewal. Solicitor Wagner has approved everything. The lease is currently at Join Hands for their review.

**Library Lease** - An addendum was made to the Library lease. The Council will be working out some issues with the Library. The addendum states what can and cannot be done on the interior walls and the building will be inspected by the Borough. Until Council has time to sit down with the Library Board, Council will not approve the agreement. Arrangements will be made to have a meeting to discuss the Library lease with the Library Board.

**Air Quality Test Results** - The air quality test results were completed on the library. At the last Council meeting, it was approved that the Council would share the cost of the air quality test with the Library. The lowest number on the scale is 110 micrograms and the Library was not even at 102. This is well below the reporting scale. The report is in the Borough office and available for public viewing if proper Right To Know papers are filed.

**Pitching Rubber on Ball Field** - Mr. James Woods, acting as the field supervisor for the ball field, would like Council to approve and fund a new pitcher's plate to be installed. The current one is over twenty years old. The pitching rubber as well as the freight is \$102.99. Councilman Clouser reminded President Anderson that according to Council regulations this amount is something that could be approved with all members voting. President Anderson asked for the entire Council's approval. Councilman Cless made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman McCarty, to approve the purchase of this pitching rubber. Motion carried.

**Ordinance #322: Ordinance Revisions** - President Anderson asked for a motion to approve all the aforementioned subsections and chapters in Ordinance #322 to make these changes as amended. Councilman Clouser made the motion, seconded by Councilman Pray, to approve Ordinance #322 as amended. Motion carried.

Councilman Clouser asked if the Borough has ever sent newly enacted ordinances to the county law library as it states to do in the Questions and Answers sheet. President Anderson does not believe it has been done in the past but will make sure it is done for the future.

**Water Authority Report** - Mr. Albright reported the Borough was approved for the USDA loan. This month the River Basin Authority Commissioners in Harrisburg are going to meet and approve whether we can draw the amount of water we want to draw. It was recommended to the commissioners by SRBC for 210 gal./minute. That is more than all three of our other wells put together. We will not be pulling 210 gal./min. out of that well, but we have the capacity to do so. Vice President Patterson commented that it is more and more important to have a good water source as time goes by. Hopefully, the Borough will know within two weeks. After approval is given, the Borough plans to turn in its permit for the Thebes Springs Well since that water is no longer used. One well at Perry Village is also going to be closed with no effect on Perry Village. Robo calls will be made if ever the Borough is under a water conservation watch.

**Planning Commission Report** - Ms. Rowlands had nothing additional to say about the above mentioned Reisinger subdivision report.

**Zoning/Permit Officer's Report** - Mr. Albright reported the house that burnt down on Apple Street will be torn down and rebuilt as soon as possible. As soon as Mr. Albright has the permit he will take it to COG because COG needs a report from the engineer to use the existing foundation. No permits were issued in August. He does have a sign on Main Street that was brought to Council's attention. It meets all historical requirements for size. Council must approve the colors. It is for a salon. Councilman Pray made a motion, seconded by Vice President Patterson, to approve the sign. Motion carried.

**Administrative Committee Report** - Mr. Cless checked and cleaned the Diakon A/C filter...turned on and checked later in the day... did not help. Purchased and replaced with a new unit on September 3, 2016. He did a building walk through on the morning of September 1, 2016 looking for any problems and discovered the library lights and restroom fans were left on overnight. Mr. Cless went back the next day and reminded the library assistant that we need to be prudent about electricity conservation. Maybe a meeting with the board to clarify library responsibilities is needed or perhaps we need to have the library pay the monthly electric bills. The Boy Scouts will be making repairs and painting the playground space shuttle sometime in October. He received two complaints regarding "close call automobile encounters" at the intersections of Patio Court and Barnett Street (east side) and Locust Street/Barnett Street (south side) in Spring Lake Development. There is no stop sign in place to direct traffic flow properly. He asked Rick to find some used signs to put up. He asked Council to approve the installation of these signs. Employee Damon Hartman had not heard of this issue until now. President Anderson asked Damon Hartman to look into installing some old signs temporarily until new reflective signs can be ordered.

**FEMA/PEMA Report** - Councilman Cless had nothing to report. Vice President Patterson reported the Borough has money coming from PEMA for last winter's storm. Mr. Patterson asked Representative Keller's office to inquire as to the whereabouts of this money and was told all the checks should be out by the end of October.

**PCBA/COG** - Mr. Albright reported there is a meeting Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in Council chambers. Mr. Steve Dowell offered to be a COG alternate representative. Councilwoman McCarty made a motion, seconded by Vice President Patterson to approve Mr. Steve Dowell as alternate representative to PCBA/COG. Motion carried.

**Capital Tax Collection Bureau Report** - Councilman Pray reported there was no meeting in July. There was an emergency meeting in August. The reason for this meeting was because the Cap Tax offices are located on 3<sup>rd</sup> St. in Harrisburg and there is a lot of violence in this area. A property in Perry County has

been located along 11/15 in Marysville and the meeting was held to approve this move. No payments to any municipality would be affected by this move. There will probably be no meeting until December.

### *AESTHETICS*

**Aesthetics Committee Report** - Councilwoman McCarty reported flags have been ordered for Christmas. The committee did not meet in August, but will meet in September to gear up for the Christmas season.

### *TELECOMMUNICATIONS*

**Telecommunications Committee Report** - Councilman Pray reported Nittany Media is unable to respond to the red line draft provided by Cohen Law because they are working to serve their customers and our response is one of frustration. Councilman Pray feels the townships in Juniata County and the Borough should move to take some kind of stronger action to try to push Nittany Media stronger than they have been. He sent Council the correspondence and will be asking for Council action next meeting. President Anderson said, "Nittany Media understands we are not asking for a fee for our residents that have Nittany Media, we are asking them to be compliant and vigilant in repairs and customer complaints." There are about 126 houses, the Library, the Borough building, Perry Village, the Prison that use Nittany Media. The Franchise that is on the books expired in 2006 and we were not protected by it. President Anderson's goal is to get this issue fixed by the end of the year.

**Wireless Ordinance Proceedings Report** - Councilman Cless reported the hearing for public comment on the wireless cell tower ordinance was held August 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. with no public comment offered, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. The ordinance is ready for publication in the local paper. He needs Council's approval to place the abbreviated version in the newspaper for two weeks because it is rather long. Councilman Cless made a motion, seconded by Councilman Clouser, to put the abbreviated version of the ordinance in the paper. Motion carried.

### *FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND SAFETY*

**Finance, Insurance & Safety Report** - Vice President Patterson stated that with the accident that happened in the Square everything is finalized with the exception of the electrical bill. Once the Borough gets the bill from our electrical contractor they will be able to submit that claim to their insurance company.

**Grants Report** - Councilwoman Jones reported we received from Mark Keller a potential grant opportunity which the Borough will apply for a sewer project. It is highly competitive.

**Personnel Committee Report** - Councilwoman Jones reported the BEO position has been posted and will be reposted for another two weeks and hope to start interviews at the end of the month.

### *RIGHTS OF WAY & UTILITIES*

#### **Rights of Way & Utilities Committee Report** -

**High Street & Church Street Sewer Underground Casing** - Vice President Patterson reported the High Street, Church Street sewer underground casing work is complete as of the end of August. The Church Street storm rehab has been completed. They are moving ahead on storm water issues.

**UV Report** - Mr. Josh Fox reported on the treatment plant UV system replacement. The Trojan 3000B- 96 lamps would be \$97,550 and the Trojan 3000B – 64 lamps would be \$94,875. HRG



recommends that the Borough replace the existing system with a new Trojan 3000B 96 lamp system. HRG also recommends that the Borough consider applying for a CFA grant to fund the Treatment Plant UV System Replacement project. Applications run between August 1 – October 31, 2016. Vice President Patterson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Clouser, to have HRG complete the application for a grant to with the CFA for the small water and sewer project grants funding for a fee of \$3,400 (This will be done in conjunction with our own Council members applying for this grant money – so this price could be lower). Motion carried.

With respect to the existing Lakeside and Spring Lake developments, if the Borough were to receive final ownership of the approximately 3, 735 linear feet of paved streets within these developments the Borough can potentially receive an increase of approximately \$2,050.21 in Liquid Fuels funding a year.

***CLOSING COMMENTS***

There being no further business, upon motion by Councilman Clouser, seconded by Councilman Pray, the meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m. to meet on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 for a regular meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Miller, Assistant Secretary