

Borough of Jefferson Hills
Regular Meeting of Council
August 8, 2005

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President McFarland at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Center 925 Old Clairton Road. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Larcinese and Council Members Becker, Cmar, Kulish, Oskin, Serapiglia and McFarland answered to roll call. Borough Manager Clark, Engineer Omer, and Acting Solicitor Gobel were also present. Council Member Militzer arrived at 7:32 p.m. Police Chief Maple and Public Service Coordinator McVicker were absent.

Amber Keech, Intern gave a presentation of The Route 51 Corridor: A Resource Manual To Development document that was her project for her internship. She advised the document should be put on the website, have printed copies made, and a few have been burned onto CDs for distribution purposes. Mr. Serapiglia commended Ms. Keech for the outstanding job. Mr. McFarland read Resolution No. 21-2005, "A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AMBER R. KEECH, INTERN FOR SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING HER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT." Mr. Serapiglia moved to adopt Resolution No. 21-2005, seconded by Mr. Becker and carried unanimously.

CITIZENS:

Heather Costa, Michele Rash and Kathy LoPresti - Jefferson Elementary PTA - read a letter from a resident of Pleasant Hills thanking DARE Officers Gawlas and Perella for their good work on safety programs, and requesting adult classes or workshops on drugs, alcohol, online predators, sexual abuse, etc. The Jefferson Elementary PTA reported that the Pleasant Hills Police Department is more active than Jefferson Hills' and would like more involvement from the K-9 unit and DARE program in their school. It was asked if the K-9 unit would be discontinued in Jefferson. Mayor Larcinese advised she is not aware of the K-9 program being discontinued, and reported the K-9 car was wrecked and a new one was designed. Mrs. Costa suggested the Borough make the residents aware of the new officers by possibly having a meeting to greet the school children. Mr. McFarland reported this Council is the first Council to have funded the K-9 unit. Mayor Larcinese stated she is looking into the possibility that by law a K-9 dog that is used for drug and search must be retired after eight years. Mr. McFarland suggested creating a representative to work with the PTA, but until one is chosen, he instructed the PTA to address all their questions to Dr. Kulish, who is the school district liaison, himself, or Mr. Clark. The women suggested police officers go to the schools and introduce themselves to the children.

Mike Doyle - H.A.R.I.E. Insurance Co. - explained they are insurance specific to non-profit governmental insurers, were formed in 1985, and have a B++ rating. Dr. Kulish asked why there was a lot of information missing from their bid, and Mr. Doyle replied the main issue was the umbrella policy application. Mr. Serapiglia asked the minimum rating the Borough asked in the bid, and Mr. Clark replied we have always had at least an A rating.

Niles Slavin - Selective Insurance Co. - advised his company is the only one bidding that has an A+ rating, that's capable of writing packaged police professional, public officials, and workers compensation. He advised having one company holding all your insurance packages, eliminates gaps in coverage and can save 20%. He reported Selective Insurance Co. is a direct agent. He explained the premiums in Selective are pooled in a pool for municipalities, which is a 24 month dividend program. In response to Mr. Becker's question, Mr. Slavin explained that the only thing put into the pool are profits for the dividend shares.

Rosann Elinsky - Cusumano Insurance Co. - advised her insurance company has been the agent for the Borough for the past three years. After contacting seven insurance companies, they are recommending St. Paul Travelers Insurance, which is the second largest insurance company in the U.S. Mr. Serapiglia asked the rating of Cusumano Insurance Co., and Mrs. Elinsky replied A.

Florian Rajakovich - Municipal Risk Management Property & Casualty Insurance - explained they have been in business for 25 years, and includes approximately 175 municipal entities. In 1992 they started the self-insured workers compensation pool, with Jefferson Hills as one of it's charter members. He explained in 1995 the Borough's workers comp premium was \$123,000, now it is only \$87,000, and the borough received a \$24,000 premium in April 2005. In response to Dr. Kulish's question, Mr. Clark reported the following costs:

- H.A.R.I.E \$68,217 w/no umbrella policy
- MRM \$91,710
- Cusumano \$80,004
- Selective \$77,813 w/no coverage on all traffic signals & 1280 Gill Hall Road

Mrs. Cmar moved award the proposal for Property & Casualty Insurance effective September 6, 2005 to Cusumano Insurance Company, seconded by Mr. Oskin. In answer to Council's inquiry, Mrs. Elinsky advised to increase \$1M in coverage will raise the premium approximately \$1,900. Mr. Militzer advised he would like to see all the Borough's insurances come up for bid at the same time of year, and under one umbrella. He asked Mrs. Elinsky if we could extend our current policy 30 days, and she stated she would look into it. Motion carried 5-2 on a roll call vote. Council Members Cmar, Militzer, Oskin, Serapiglia and McFarland voted yes. Council Members Becker & Kulish voted no. Mrs. Cmar moved, on the recommendation of Michael Persichetti, to increase the umbrella policy to \$2 million, seconded by Mr. Becker and carried unanimously. Mr. Serapiglia stated the procedure should be changed for next year for detailed proposals and if bids come in missing information, they should be given a courtesy call to obtain the proposals earlier.

2 - 2006 Dump Trucks - 36,220 GVW Bid Opening 8/4/05			
	Bid Amount	10% BB/CC	Non-Collusion Affidavit
Seigworth Road Supply	\$229,926.00	10%	Yes
Hunter's Truck	\$222,847.00	\$22,400	Yes
Fyda Freightliner Pgh., Inc.	\$232,540.00	10%	Yes

Dr. Kulish moved to award Seigworth Road Supply as the lowest responsible bid, for 2 - 2006 36,220 GVW dump trucks because even though the Hunter's Truck bid was lower, it did not meet the minimum specifications. Motion seconded by Mr. Militzer and carried unanimously.

2 - 2006 13,000 GVW 4x4 Cab and Chassis with Dump Body Bid Opened 8/4/05			
	Bid Amount	10% BB/CC	Non-Collusion Affidavit
Woltz & Wind Ford Inc.	\$99,342.00	10%	Yes

Mr. Becker moved to reject the single bid for 2 - 2206 13,000 GVW 4x4 Cab and Chassis with Dump Body as the bid did not meet the specifications, seconded by Dr. Kulish and carried unanimously.

Jefferson Hills Borough Flashing School Signal Bid Opened 8/8/05		
Contractor	10% Bid Bond	Total
Traffic Control & Engr.	10%	\$18,426.11

On the recommendation of the Borough Manager, Mr. Becker moved to table awarding the bid for flashing school warning signals at Thomas Jefferson High School until the school district is notified of the bid received and advises how much they will contribute, seconded by Mrs. Cmar and carried unanimously. Mrs. Clark is to call Mr. Howard of the school district.

Mrs. Becker moved the minutes of regular meeting April 11, 2005 be approved, seconded by Mr. Militzer and carried unanimously.

Mr. Militzer moved the minutes of discussion meeting May 4, 2005 be approved, seconded by Mr. Oskin and carried on a 5-1-1 roll call vote. Council Members Becker, Kulish, Militzer and Serapiglia voted yes.

Council Member Cmar voted no because of disrespect shown to her by Mr. Gobel. She feels the Solicitor should be unbiased. Mrs. Mortle, for clarification, asked if Mrs. Cmar voted no because the minutes were incorrect or because of what occurred at the meeting, and Mrs. Cmar replied because of what happened at the meeting. Council President McFarland abstained as he was absent from the meeting. Mr. Gobel advised the only basis for voting against the minutes is if they are inaccurate.

Mr. Becker moved the record of public hearing July 6, 2005 - Jefferson Park #5 gas well be approved, seconded by Mrs. Cmar and carried unanimously.

Mr. Becker moved the record of public hearing July 6, 2005 - Matthews #3 gas well be approved, seconded by Mr. Militzer and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Becker moved the minutes of discussion meeting July 6, 2005 be approved, seconded by Mr. Militzer and carried on a 5-0-2 roll call vote. Council Members Becker, Cmar, Militzer, Oskin and McFarland voted yes. Council Member Kulish and Serapiglia abstained.

Mr. Becker moved the minutes of public hearing August 3, 2005 - Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment be approved, seconded by Mrs. Cmar and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Becker moved the minutes of discussion meeting August 3, 2005 be approved, seconded by Mr. Militzer and carried unanimously.

Mr. Militzer moved the July 2005 bills be approved as follows: General Fund \$246,432.85 Disbursement Pension Fund \$6,275.83, Sewer Revenue Account \$280,944.11, Escrow Account \$13,758.25, Highway Aid Fund \$7,684.60, Sewer & Water Assessment \$93.00 and Storm Sewer \$81.00. Motion was seconded by Mr. Oskin and carried on a 6-1 roll call vote. Council Members Becker, Kulish, Militzer, Oskin, Serapiglia and McFarland voted yes. Council Member Cmar voted no.

Mr. Becker moved the payrolls for the month of July 2005 be approved as follows: General Fund \$234,832.68, Sewer Revenue Account \$4,808.65, and ESA General Fund \$595.11, seconded by Mr. Militzer and carried unanimously.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

1) Corrective Action Plans

West Elizabeth Sewershed: We have begun on the design of the detention tank and the upsizing of the sewer as authorized by Council at the June Meeting.

A meeting is currently being scheduled with the engineers group to review the status of the projects and other design considerations.

There is to be a new agreement between the communities for the structure and organization of the West Elizabeth Authority as well as the financing of the required improvements.

We ask that Council contact State Representative Ievdansky to determine the status of the meetings that were to begin to draft a new agreement.

Clairton: A meeting has been arranged for the engineers working group and other officials at the Clairton Municipal Authority treatment plan for August 4, 2005. The purpose of the meeting is to review the draft modeling report that was given to the engineers at the July 7, 2005 meeting.

An 8" sewer line that crosses the creek and goes into the interceptor about 2,000 feet upstream from the plant was found broken by the CMA staff who were recreating in the area. The break was allowing approximately 1 million gallons a day of creek water to flow to the plant. This is 130% of the water that is in an Olympic size pool. The break was visited by Borough staff and Gateway on the afternoon of July 13, 2005. We met with contractors on July 14, 2005 and the pipe repair was made on July 15, 2005. The permanent repair of the crossing is being designed and implemented for completion this week. The permanent repair and encasement of the line is being completed to maintain the natural state of the creek in the area.

The status is as follows for the Jefferson Hills CAP:

1. Dye Testing - Enough historical information was present such that this task does not need to begin until year two of the plan.
2. CCTV and Cleaning - The contract is to begin within the next 2-3 weeks. It is required as part of the contract that the Borough's portion be completed by October 14, 2005.
3. Mapping - The survey of the interceptor is complete.
4. Repair and location of manholes - A map is being prepared to show the manholes that do not have inserts in them. This will then be given to the Borough for verification.
5. Flow monitoring - Ongoing
6. Repair contracts - Will be sent out for bid once the CCTV is completed and a scope of work is determined
7. Hydraulic model - Preliminary model is complete and is being reviewed by the engineers working group. This allows all parties to have their comments addressed now and prevents conflicting opinions about the model results.

There are tap restrictions being imposed by DEP in this watershed.

Recommendation - have the Borough Manager review the current state of the budget and determine the total quantities to award for CCTV.

General:

A meeting was held with Joe Basille in order to train and identify SWM pond maintenance issues and to prioritize a maintenance schedule for the Borough's stormwater ponds. The mapping of the location and placement of manhole inserts within the Borough is ongoing. A monthly meeting, in conjunction with the staff meeting, will be held to determine status of training and functionality of programs.

2) Planning Commission

Vaccari Trust Subdivision - Recommended preliminary and final approval of a 2-lot subdivision for National City Trust.

3) Mapping/Stormwater Phase II

The testing of the outfalls is continuing with an additional 13 to be completed before March 10, 2006.

4) Landslides on Bedell Road

The current stop sign configuration is adequate for managing traffic on the site. The repair of the road should be placed on a capital improvement schedule or other funding sources sought out.

The repairs as noted by the Geo-technical Engineer have not yet been implemented but are on the schedule for completion.

5) Landslide Waterman Road West

The current stop sign configuration is adequate for managing traffic on the site. The repair of the road should be placed on a capital improvement schedule or other funding sources sought out. The estimated cost is \$1,500,000. This would stabilize the road and prevent areas around the slide from failing.

6) Development Status

Jefferson Estates Phase III - Paving is completed

DiMarco - Paving is completed

Chamberlin Ridge - Construction is underway, road repairs to Chamberlin Road are underway. The County is responsible for managing and inspection of the repairs.

Patriot Pointe Phase 1 - Paving is completed, work on Phase II is underway

Richard Plan of Lots - Construction is underway

7) Route 51 Corridor Development/LGA Internship

Amber Keech is presenting a draft of the work to date for comment by the Council.

8) Traffic Study Status

We have not received the executed permits back from the County at this time. The bids for the project were opened on August 8, 2005 at 9:00. The apparent low bidder was Traffic Control and Engineering with a bid of \$18,426.11. We recommend awarding the project to Traffic Control and Engineering with a low bid of \$18,426.11.

9) FEMA Projects

The Mayor provided us with information required to re-establish the line of communication with FEMA/PEMA. The revised scope of work for Waterman East was submitted for the approval of PEMA who is managing the larger projects that FEMA approved.

10) Demolition Grants

The specifications have been prepared and were forwarded onto SHACOG. The contract was advertised and the apparent low bidder is Novel Geo-Environmental, LLC with a low bid of \$24,513.00. We have received a grant in the amount of \$7,500.00, and recommend awarding Novel Geo-Environmental, LLC the contract with a low bid of \$24,513.00.

11) Payne Hill Road Vacation

A plan is attached detailing the area to be vacated as requested by Council. The resident is being contacted to see if there is interest for the vacation.

12) Dale Issue on Walton Road

The paperwork was mailed to Mrs. Dale. Unless directed, Gateway will have no further involvement in this issue.

13) Slide at 1280 Gill Hall Road

All final restoration has been completed. There is a maintenance issue related to the settlement of a trench in front of Mr. Susnar's residence which we are attempting to resolve with the contractor. This is a maintenance issue and not related to the retainage the Borough was holding. On the recommendation of the Borough Engineer, Mr. Oskin moved to authorize payment of Current Estimate & Final in the amount of \$2,566.13 to Gregori Construction, seconded by Mr. McFarland and carried on a 6-1 roll call vote. Council Members Becker, Kulish, Miltzer, Oskin, Serapiglia and McFarland voted yes. Council Member Cmar voted no.

Mrs. Omer reminded Council of the staff meeting Wednesday 15 9:00 a.m.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT:

The Mayor reported police activities for July as follows: 119 citations issued, 14 traffic accidents with 5 injuries, and 1,296 calls answered.

SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT: MONTH OF JULY

Josephine Lipnicky reported \$278,174.02 collected in Real Estate Tax for July 6 - July 28, 2005

(deposits #1 to #29). She submitted a bill for commissions due in the amount of \$5,000.00.

Pa. Municipal Service Company remitted \$45,118.11 collected in Earned Income Tax, enclosed a bill for commissions due \$1,015.16; \$265.00 collected in Occupational Privilege Tax, enclosed a bill for commissions due \$5.96; and collected \$180,330.55 in sewage charges, enclosed a bill for account status letters and commissions due \$3,696.61.

Central Tax Bureau of Pennsylvania reported \$14.50 collected in Mercantile Tax, for June and enclosed a bill on tax commissions due \$.73.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania remitted \$12,717.25 in Sales Tax.

Berkheimer Associates remitted \$48,348.59 collected in garbage fees and enclosed a bill for commissions due \$1,208.71.

Creditech, Incorporated remitted \$1,810.92 collected in delinquent garbage fees and enclosed a bill for \$417.79 commissions due. A refund of \$181.96 to Phelan, Hallinan & Schmeig for 229 Coal Valley Road due to collection of duplication payment by Allegheny County Sheriff Sale.

The Public Service Coordinator reported \$3,501.50 in building permits, \$14.00 in building pouches, \$105.00 in street opening permits, \$100.00 in grading permits, \$300.00 in Planning Commission fees, \$540.00 in occupancy permits, \$1,300.00 in escrow fees, \$6,000.00 in tap-in permits, \$47,966.50 in sewage charges and \$165.00 in dye tests.

The Secretary/Treasurer reported receipts as follows: General Fund \$325,408.04, Payroll Account \$258,614.52, Sewer Revenue \$232,556.15, Sewer & Water Assessment \$4,500.00, Storm Sewer \$35.00, Escrow Account \$7,136.50, Highway Aid \$130.00, Police Pension \$6,462.52, Disbursement Pension Fund - Class "A" \$4,169.56, Fire Tax Account \$15,569.70 and Ambulance Tax Account \$3,459.93. The Secretary/Treasurer reported bank balances on hand July 31 as follows: General Fund \$4,523.34, Payroll Account \$2,380.00, Sewer Revenue \$1,722.80, Sewer & Water Assessment \$.15, Storm Sewer \$9.82, Escrow Account \$1,143.27, Highway Aid \$5.97, Police Pension \$-0-, Disbursement Pension Fund - Class "A" \$-0-, Service Employees Pension Fund - Class "B" \$-0-, Police Dept. DARE Program \$2.85, General Fund Contingency Account \$10.66, Gill Hall Park Renovation Fund \$3.72, Forfeiture Account \$8.72, Special Account No. 1 \$6.43, Fire Tax Account \$6.12, and Ambulance Tax Account \$4.66.

The Secretary/Treasurer reported investments with Sky Bank totaling \$2,604,657.00.

Mr. Militzer moved the commissions and refund be paid, seconded by Mrs. Cmar and carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The Secretary/Treasurer read a letter from the Planning Commission advising at the regular meeting July 25, 2005 members unanimously recommended the following:

1. Preliminary and final approval was granted for a Minor Consolidation Plan known as Vaccari Trust Subdivision Plan No. 1, and
2. A request from Blackwood Acres Associates, L.P., asking for the tabling of their project request until the next meeting and granting a 90-day timetable extension per their letter dated July 13, 2005.

The Secretary/Treasurer advised she received a letter from Mrs. Stephanie Serapiglia resigning from the Civil Service Commission for the term expiring December 31, 2008.

The Secretary/Treasurer advised she received a letter from Mrs. Rebecca Peters resigning from the Library Board for the term expiring December 31, 2007.

The Secretary/Treasurer read the following letter received by Council Member Serapiglia from Mrs. Velma Finfinger:

"I want to thank you for the update concerning the U.S. Postal Service in Jefferson Hills.

I also want to thank you and the other Council Members for your efforts.

Sometime ago I spoke to you by phone and you said the post office in Large could easily be used as the Borough Post Office. I also spoke to the Postmaster in the West Elizabeth office and he said his office could accommodate two routes from there. Therefore, no new building would be necessary.

I understand that both the Clairton and Finleyville offices are inundated with mail and people at the ends of the routes don't get their mail until 2 or 3:00 or later in the afternoon. This is service???"

AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Militzer moved to grant preliminary and final approval of Anthony J. Vaccari Trust Subdivision Plan No. 1 (2-lot subdivision on the west side of Snowden Road) by Anthony J. Vaccari, seconded by Mr. McFarland and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Cmar moved to grant preliminary and final approval of Bond-Barton Plan of Lots (consolidation of Lots 323 & 324 on Stilley Road) by Geoffrey W. & Kathleen F. Bond, seconded by Mr. Oskin and carried unanimously.

Mr. McFarland read Ordinance No. 773, "COMPLIANCE WITH THE LOCAL TAXPAYERS BILL OF RIGHTS FOR MERCANTILE TAX." Mr. Becker moved to adopt Ordinance No. 773, seconded by Mr. Militzer and carried unanimously.

Mr. McFarland read Resolution No. 19-2005, "ESTABLISHING THE ADMINISTRATION FEE FOR REMOVAL OF DECEASED DEER." Mr. Militzer moved to adopt Resolution No. 19-2005, seconded by Mr. McFarland and carried unanimously.

Mr. McFarland read Resolution No. 20-2005, "IMPLEMENTING AND MANDATING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM BE UTILIZED AND ACKNOWLEDGING ALVIN HENDERSON, JR. AS THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR." Mrs. Cmar moved to adopt Resolution No. 20-2005, seconded by Mr. Oskin and carried unanimously.

Mr. Clark advised he contacted the water company regarding billing our residents for sewage charges on a monthly basis. Since the sewage rates went up, it was requested that residents receive a monthly bill in lieu of quarterly. While waiting for the water company to respond, he contacted our present sewage collector, Pennsylvania Municipal Services, to see if they would continue billing for delinquent sewage. They submitted an aggressive proposal where they would bill monthly, lower their total commission fee to 1/2%, and the borough pay the postage. PAMS also agreed to retroactively reduce their commission back to January 1, 2005. Therefore, he recommended the Borough stay with the current collector. In answer to Mr. Militzer's inquiry, Mr. Clark reported the borough would be paying PAMS \$10,767 on 3,094 accounts with postage of \$10,000 for \$22,722. The cost of 65¢ each to the water company would cost the borough \$24,133 and would not include delinquent collections. In answer to Mr. Oskin's question, Mr. Clark stated the water company wanted a three year contract with a cost of living increase each year, and if the Borough increased our rates, there would be a charge to reprogram their computer. Mrs. Cmar moved to table authorizing the proper officers to execute an agreement for collection of sanitary sewage charges on a monthly basis. The Secretary/Treasurer advised the water company will not collect delinquent sewage after 90 days. Mrs. Cmar withdrew her motion to table. Mr. Oskin moved to authorize the proper officers to execute an agreement for collection of sanitary sewage charges on a monthly basis at the new commission rate of 1/2% for one year, seconded by Mr. Militzer and carried unanimously.

Dr. Kulish moved to authorize the Solicitor to advertise an ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance to: 1) define funeral home, 2) change the term "mortuary" to the defined term "funeral home" in the list of permitted uses in the C-1 District; 3) add funeral home as a permitted use in the O-P Office Park District; and change use category in table of parking requirements from "mortuary" to "funeral home", seconded by Mr. Becker and carried unanimously.

Mr. Becker moved to authorize preparation of specifications and advertising for two 2006 trucks 17,500

GVW, as agreed upon by Mr. Militzer, Dr. Kulish and himself, seconded by Mr. Militzer and carried unanimously.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Dr. Kulish thanked Mr. Clark for his involvement in getting Mr. Carl Fisher an additional refund for his Gill Hall Community Center rental due to the cleaning necessary.

Mr. Becker requested both the vacancies for the Civil Service Commission and the Library Board be advertised together to save money.

Mr. Oskin suggested when the police officers visit the school, or are introduced at a Council meeting, that the newspapers be invited. Mayor Larcinese advised if Council wants officers to attend a Council meeting, and the officers are off duty, they will have to be paid overtime. Mr. Oskin suggested Chief Maple go with the DARE officer to the school. The Mayor advised it has been discussed for two years that we need more officers and if Council wants the officers to be more involved, they have to think about taking officers out of the rotation.

Mr. McFarland asked Mrs. Cmar if she has met with Chief Maple to come up with a possible settlement proposal, and she replied she has not met with him yet. Acting Solicitor Gobel stated Mrs. Cmar's deposition for this case is scheduled for later this month, and if a settlement could be reached within two weeks, money will be saved. Mrs. Cmar reported she will do what she can as no one else on Council would be on this committee and voice concern of criticism from Mr. Gobel towards her at the May 4th meeting. Mr. Gobel stated there was nothing in the minutes that he said anything to her. Mrs. Cmar replied that things like that did happen and weren't in the minutes, and that's why she did not approve them. Mr. Gobel stated the appropriate action in that case was for her to make a motion to amend the minutes, and for her to advise of the correct wording to be in the minutes, and that was not done.

Mr. Serapiglia stated treatment is a two-way street, because of the way certain employees and elected officials have been treated by certain individuals and groups. When you try to defend yourself, it's called harassment, and is a double standard. He stated at no time did he harass Mr. Taylor or any resident of this Borough.

Mr. Militzer asked if any information was found on the house that burned on Rt. 51. Mr. McFarland stated the Fire Marshall was not in attendance at tonight's meeting, and Dr. Kulish said it was brought up at the last meeting, so there should have been a written report prepared for tonight's meeting. Mr. McFarland instructed Mr. Clark to have Mr. McVicker prepare a report for Council on the status of the house.

Mr. Militzer requested a short executive session after the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

Mr. Becker moved to award the bid for flashing school warning signals at Thomas Jefferson High School to Traffic Control & Engineering Co. in the amount of \$18,426.11, with the West Jefferson Hills School District paying for the signals and associated costs, as past practice, subject to the written approval of the school district, seconded by Mrs. Cmar and carried unanimously.

Dr. Kulish reported there are other structures that are blighted and should be torn down as they are a danger to Borough residents. Mr. McFarland said he advised Mr. McVicker of an occupied home on Scotia Hollow Road, and the second floor has windows out and holes in the roof. He told Mr. McVicker this could not possibly pass fire codes, and are a hazard to our firemen. He instructed Mr. Clark to have Mr. McVicker look into this in the morning. Mr. Clark replied this is a long complicated process.

Mayor Larcinese reported that the developer of Chamberlin Ridge has filled in the landslide on Coal Valley Road #4. She requested the Borough contact the County and ask them to pave this road before school starts. Dr. Kulish reported when John Thatcher was excavating, they found a broken pipe that was holding all that water, and he fixed the pipe instead of reporting it to the County who was responsible. Mr. Clark was instructed to write a letter to Mr. Donatelli at the County and ask them to expedite this as soon as possible as the road has a lot of traffic during the school year.

Mr. McFarland reported PennDOT picked up a dead deer on a state road, and dumped it over the guiderail next to Mr. Edward's house. He stated when the state comes back and asks us what we are doing with the dead deer, anything will be better than what PennDOT is doing. He will request Mr. McVicker contact the state to get this rectified.

Mr. McFarland requested each Council Member check their voicemail as someone got into his, listened to all of his messages, then saved them. He found out because Mr. Edwards left two messages that he originally never received.

Mr. McFarland adjourned the meeting to an executive session to discuss personnel matters at 10.52 p.m., on motion by Mr. Becker and seconded by Mr. Militzer and carried unanimously.

Sandra J. Mortle
Secretary/Treasurer