

Borough of Jefferson Hills  
Special Meeting of Council  
March 26, 2008

The special meeting of Council was called to order by President King at 7:03 p.m. in the Municipal Center, 925 Old Clairton Road. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Green and Council Members Cmar, Reynolds, Serapiglia, Weber, Weir and King answered to roll call. Solicitor Adams and Manager Shepherd were also present. Engineer Omer, Chief Reagan and Public Service Coordinator McVicker were asked not to attend. Council Member Khalil arrived at 7:50 p.m.

Mr. King thanked everyone for attending the special meeting on such short notice.

Mr. King stated at the February meeting, Mr. Shepherd gave information with Council appointing 9-13 residents to the Recreation Comprehensive Plan Committee and asked Council to offer names of residents this evening that might be interested in being appointed. Before the next meeting, these residents are to be called by the Council Member submitting the name to find out if they are interested in serving and explaining about the committee and if they are interested, they can be appointed at the April Regular Meeting. Mr. Serapiglia and Mr. Weir stated they would also like to follow the process set up in a resolution where the need for board members is to be advertised. Mr. King replied this is a time-sensitive matter, and he thought this would be a fair way for each Council Member to offer a resident's name. If needed, advertising can follow. The following names were offered by Council Members:

Kathleen Reynolds -	Joyce Kennedy
Jan Cmar -	Angie Yurkovich
	Michelle Fitterer
	Kurt Miller
Dominic Serapiglia -	Kevin Langholtz
	Dave Hirsh
	Al Danzey
Jeff Weir -	Melanie Gillot
	Robert Koshick
	Dominic Serapiglia
James Weber -	Lisa Marcucci
	Patty Shaffer
	Keith McIlwain
	Chris King
	Tracy Khalil
Chris King -	Michele Lindberg
	Frank Reynolds

The Manager was directed to advertise in the Daily News although it is short notice for the April 14 meeting. In answer to Mr. King's inquiry, Mr. Shepherd advised he will have the ad placed by this Friday, a deadline for April 8, and Council will have for the agenda meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Mr. Serapiglia stated he would like to see the Public Works employees begin to clean up the debris along the shoulders of the roads.

Mr. Serapiglia advised the speed device is now repaired and he would like to see a schedule of streets where it will be placed.

Mr. Serapiglia thanked Mr. Weir for submitting his name for the Recreation Comprehensive Plan Committee.

Mrs. Cmar advised the scouts are interested in helping with Clean-up Day, so after she speaks with them, she will announce a date. Mr. Shepherd advised Mr. McVicker is getting the bags and gloves donated, and the Mayor advised the Police Department will supply the drinks and hot dogs.

Mrs. Cmar and Mrs. Reynolds advised they would like to be involved in the interview process for a Camp Director for the Recreation Authority. At Mr. Serapiglia's request, Mr. King instructed Mr. Shepherd to write to Pleasant Hills and West Elizabeth and inquire if they would like to combine for a Multi-Community Recreation Director to allow for the possibility of a grant. Mrs. Reynolds reported she ran the Summer Recreation Program for ten years and went into some detail of the hours and events sponsored. Mr. Shepherd was instructed to call other municipalities to find out how many hours and the hourly rate they pay for seasonal employees, and to advertise for the position of Summer Day Camp Director.

Mr. King advised he talked with Mr. Shimko of the Solicitor's Office and was told he is working on the papers for the dissolution of the Recreation Authority and they will be presented to Council at the April Regular Meeting.

In answer to Mr. Weber's inquiries, Mr. Shepherd advised the cell phones have been ordered, however, not received to date; and Mr. McVicker has one more proposal to receive on the Wray Large Road paving.

Mr. Weber moved to authorize the hiring of an individual to serve as the point person or liaison for the Municipal Center Renovations and assist with the Sewer Manhole Project, seconded by Mr. Serapiglia. After a lengthy discussion, during which Mr. Khalil arrived, Mr. Weber moved to advertise for the position, title to be determined, who will work as a residential inspector, the Municipal Center Renovation liaison and Sewer Project Manager, seconded by Mr. Serapiglia and carried unanimously. Mr. Weber advised he will work with the Manager on the advertisement if he has any questions.

Mr. Shepherd advised the Borough has ordered Builders Risk Insurance as required by the building renovation contract documents and will be bound by April 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS:

Solicitor Adams reported there was a contract with the Pleasant Hills Authority on a disconnection fee dating back to 2005 that gave the Borough of Jefferson Hills two years to take certain properties out of that line, and advised the deadline was December 31, 2007. Apparently the project on our end was not fully completed, therefore there are fees owed per the contract as of that time. The Authority billed Jefferson Hills \$37,500.00, and he and the Manager reviewed the bill, and both agree with \$30,000.00 being due, but have questions on the \$7,500.00. He recommended payment under that contract of \$30,000.00 with instructions that the Solicitor and/or Manager trying to work out the discrepancies with the Authority. It

was explained that the reason for the incompleteness of the disconnection project, is that the Lick Run Sewer Extension Project has just started. In response to Mrs. Reynolds' question of why Council was not aware of this deadline, Mr. Khalil advised he will look at the engineer's chart and see if this deadline appears.

Mr. Adams asked that Council approve payment of up to \$37,500.00 subject to the Solicitor and Manager verifying the remaining properties by the April regular meeting. At Mr. King's request, Mr. Adams agreed to ask the Pleasant Hills Authority if they will waive the fee, although he thought they will remind Council this is a penalty to cover their costs for our users to continue to use their system. Mr. Adams stated he did not want anyone to misunderstand and blame the engineer for missing this deadline, when all the facts have not been researched. Mr. Weir suggested we include the date we plan to be out of the Pleasant Hills Authority with the letter requesting they waive the penalty. Mr. Shepherd reported the main holdup with the Lick Run Project is the matter of easements.

Mr. King asked if there was a Borough Ordinance regulating real estate signs, and when he was told yes, he asked if the real estate companies are obtaining sign permits. When the answer was no, he asked that Mr. McVicker be requested to look into this problem.

Mrs. Cmar moved the minutes of regular meeting September 11, 2006 be approved, seconded by Mr. Weir and carried on a 4-0-3 roll call vote. Council Members Cmar, Serapiglia, Weir and King voted yes. Council Members Khalil, Reynolds, and Weber abstained as they were not on Council at the time.

Mrs. Cmar moved the minutes of regular meeting October 9, 2006 be approved, seconded by Mr. Weir and carried on a 4-0-3 roll call vote. Council Members Cmar, Serapiglia, Weir and King voted yes. Council Members Khalil, Reynolds, and Weber abstained as they were not on Council at the time.

Mr. King adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. with an executive session to follow to discuss personnel matters on a motion by Mr. Serapiglia, seconded by Mr. Khalil and carried unanimously.

Saundra J. Mortle  
Secretary/Treasurer