

February 10, 2009

Tremont Borough Council met for their Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Clay Street School Building.

Council members attending were: Laine R. Mack Jr., John Mease, Carl Wiscount, Robert Donmoyer, and Roger M. Adams. Also attending: Mayor William Allar, Secretary Cheryl Mack, Road Supervisor William Mindler, Police Officer Joseph Kavanaugh, and Solicitor Chris Hobbs. Reporters: Joan Schwer, and Tim Christman, Fire Chief James Koppenhaver. Citizens: Frederick Scheibley, Orval Koppenhaver and Steven Boyer. Councilman George Schaeffer was absent.

President Mack opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mease and Donmoyer motion to accept the minutes of the January 13, 2009 Regular Meeting. All in favor.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: Steven Boyer inquired about a complaint that he filed in November with the Police Department and he has still not had a response from them about it. The complaint was an issue with a neighbor and the problem still exists. Mayor Allar will discuss this matter with the Police and will let him know the outcome.

James Koppenhaver complained about the issue of neighbors piling their snow on his property after he has already cleared it. Mayor Allar stated that if a property owner either witnesses this occurring or can prove who did the deed they can file a complaint with the police and the violators will be cited. Orval Koppenhaver asked why his neighbor wasn't cited after he filed a complaint with the police on this same issue and the Mayor stated that no citation was issued because the neighbor removed the pile of snow from Koppenhaver's property. He was told if it happens again he will be cited.

COMMUNICATIONS: Adams and Wiscount motion to allow Rep. Tim Seip to use the Griffiths Community Room on Monday, March 30, 2009 to hold a Grant Training Seminar. All in favor. Secretary Mack also noted that Rep. Seip provided a survey questionnaire for each Municipality to complete so that their concerns and/or funding interests are covered in the seminar.

Census Coordinator Barbara Augustine submitted two requests on behalf of the U.S. Census Bureau for the Borough to donate the use of either the Council Meeting room and/or the Griffiths Community Room for the following: A room to conduct testing of applicants for a 2010 Census Enumerator position. This room must hold approximately 20 people and each test will be about 2 ½ hours long. Test dates and times have not yet been determined. The second request is for a room to hold training classes for the successful applicants, for five days a week and eight hours per day. These classes have been tentatively scheduled to be held from April 6th thru April 10th and April 13th thru April 17th for applicant training. Donmoyer and Wiscount motion to authorize this use of either room as needed. Roll call vote. All in favor except Mease who votes no. The Motion carried.

Mease and Donmoyer motion to approve of the PA Attorney General's office to use the Council meeting room on February 19, February 26, and February 27 from approx. 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to prepare witnesses for an upcoming trial to be held in Schuylkill County. Roll call vote. All in favor.

Ehrlich presented three contracts for vegetation management for Council's consideration. One is for our annual vegetation control along all of the stream channels

at a cost of \$ 446.00. The other two are for a repeat of vegetation management that they performed under our Stream Cleanout Grant Project in October 2008. A \$ 330.00 contract for the broadleaf weed control at the Laurel Street Bridge and the other controlling the unwanted vegetation within the stream channel at a cost of \$2,211.00. Mease and Wiscount motion to accept the annual contract at a cost of \$ 446.00 Roll call vote. All in favor. No action was taken on the remaining two contracts due to unbudgeted funding for them.

Reilly Twp. Supervisor Jerry Devine provided a letter to notify Council of the upcoming meeting of the COG to be held at the St. Clair Fish & Game Club on February 17 beginning at 7:00 p.m. President Mack stated that he is planning to attend.

No action was required on PSAB's invitation to attend their Spring Legislative Borough Convention to be held at the Hershey Lodge from March 22nd thru March 25th.

Champ Holman provided information on a grant that is available from the PA Liquor Control Board for the 2009-2010 Alcohol Education Grant. The deadline to apply is February 26th.

Donmoyer and Adams motion to lease the gymnasium to Bonnie Kupp on Wednesday, June 3rd and Thursday, June 4th from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to hold her annual Spring Recitals. Roll call vote. All in favor.

Jim Scheibley submitted three requests of Council which are as follows: The Tremont Little League requests permission to hold their annual opening day parade along Main Street and Clay Street on Sunday, May 3rd, beginning at 11:00 a.m. The Tremont Little League would like to enter into the same agreement as in prior years concerning the use of the Clay Street ballfield by the Little League in exchange for the league cutting the grass and maintaining the field. Also, Scheibley who is the coach for the Fifteen Year Old Teener team, requests permission to use the ballfield for teener practices and games when these events do not conflict with the Little Leagues' use of the field. Donmoyer and Mease motion to approve all three requests. Roll call vote. All in favor. Secretary Mack will apply for the Highway Road Closing permit from PennDOT for the parade.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Solicitor Hobbs discussed the steps that Council needs to take in order to proceed with the Municipal Energy Managers proposal to provide service to our street lights. Mease and Donmoyer motion to authorize Concord Public Financial Advisors to solicit public bids to provide financing to the Borough for purchase of our 113 street light poles from P.P. & L. Co. Roll call vote. All in favor. Donmoyer and Wiscount motion to advertise the "Proposed" Ordinance as required in order for Council to act on it during the March meeting if they decide to proceed with the Municipal Energy Managers Contract. Roll call vote. All in favor.

On this same matter, Council authorized Secretary Mack to provide Concord Public Financial Advisors with the 2005, 2006, 2007, and 2008 audit reports and the 2008 and 2009 Budgets.

PUBLIC UTILITY & STREETS: Nothing to report.

PROPERTY: Contractor bid openings deferred to New Business on Agenda.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor noted that 3 property owners were cited for accumulation of trash, 1 was cited for failure to clear sidewalk of snow, and 1 was cited for allowing his dog to run loose.

LAW & ORDER: Chief Conway provided a report for January noting 37 Incidents, 4 arrest, and 298 miles on the Police cars.

Officer Kavanaugh's report for January noted 42 Incidents, no arrests or Court Hearings, and 319 miles on the Police cars.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY: Koppenhaver noted that the department had 13 calls for January. After a brief discussion on the repairs already undertaken on the MIV valve of the KME pumper truck, Donmoyer and Adams motion to authorize the Fire Department to have KME make the necessary repairs to this MIV valve at a cost not to exceed \$ 3,100.00 and to have KME provide some type of guaranty on this repair. Roll call vote. All in favor.

RECREATION & EDUCATION: Nothing to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mease and Donmoyer motion to accept the report as prepared by C. Mack. Roll call vote. All in favor.

FINANCE: All of our 2008 financial records are now in the hands of the auditor. Secretary Mack noted that M & T Bank made her aware of an error that they recently discovered concerning the earned interest rate being applied to our account for the month of December. They were only applying .20% and they should have been applying .50% . Since this interest must be calculated retroactively on a daily basis back to December 1, this calculation will take time to complete, however the interest owed to the Borough should be considerable when completed.

OLD BUSINESS: Secretary Mack provided Council with a sample Resolution and other information concerning the PA Open Records Act 3-2008. Council will review this information for action at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: At this time, President Mack opened the ten bids presented by various contractors for the duly advertised swimming pool restroom construction project. The bids are as listed with the roof styles on each bid noted as follows: Shed roof with shingles (SR@S); Shed roof with Tin (SR@T); Hip roof with shingles (HR@S) and Hip roof with Tin (HR@T): William Davis Contractor bid \$25,100 (SR@S) and \$25,700.00 (SR@T); Tom Graydus bid \$9,875.00 (SR@S), \$11,560.00 (SR@T), and \$12,060.00 (HR@T); Marc Primeau bid \$18,267.00 (SR@S), \$19,067.00 (HR@ S) and \$19,467.00 (HR@T); Coast to Coast Const. bid \$19,642.00 (SR@S); JEM Contracting bid \$22,860.00 (SR@S), \$23,725.00 (SR@T), \$24,196.00 (HR@S), and \$25,798.00(HR@T); Allen Wolff Contracting bid \$14,080.00 (SR@S), \$14,680.00 (SR@T), \$14,580.00 (HR@S), and \$14,980.00 (HR@T); Mike Belleman bid \$12,987.50 (SR@S), \$13,687.50 (HR@S), and \$15,087.50 (HR@T); Karl Scheib Contractor bid \$19,789.00 (SR@S), \$20,578.00 (SR@T), \$20,314.00 (HR@S), and \$21,103.00 (HR@T); Robert Lutz Contracting bid \$9,500.00 (SR@S), \$10,000.00 (SR@T), \$9,600.00 (HR@S), and \$10,100.00 (HR@T); Superior 3 Constrction bid \$11,366.00 (SR@S), \$12,166.00 (SR@T), \$11,966.00 (HR@S), and \$12,366.00 (HR@T). Donmoyer and Mease motion to accept all bids. All in favor.

Adams and Donmoyer to authorize the Property Committee to review all bids for compliance to bid requirements and to award to the lowest "responsible" bidder. Roll call vote. All in favor.

President Mack announced that he has scheduled a meeting for all interested Councilman with Dane Huntzinger of the NFIP Floodplain Management office for this

Thursday, February 12th at 7:00 p.m. for a review of the Borough's flood management policies.

RECEIPTS: GENERAL ACCOUNT: District Magistrate Carol Pankake: \$ 82.44 Vio. @ Ordinances and \$ 76.79, Vio. @ Veh. Code; Senior Citizens: \$120.00, Rent (January); Tremont Library: \$ 200.00, rent (February); Diakon Lutheran Social Services: \$ 873.33, rent (January), and \$ 171.43, utility reimb.; Richard Kintzel: \$ 6,071.37, Real Estate taxes and \$ 236.00, Per Capita; Sch. County:\$ 1,895.00, rent (February); IU-29: \$ 920.00, rent (January),and \$ 185.40 utility reimb. Road & School:\$ 154.81, delinq. R. E. taxes; Frailey Twp.:\$ 1,841.67 reimb. @ Police services (December) and \$ 1,571.58 reimb @ road salt supply; Bonnie Kupp: \$ 375.00, rent and \$ 8.06, utility reimb.; Real Estate Transfer: \$ 1,492.05, taxes; Clerk of Courts: \$ 21.90, Vio @ Ordinances; Handicap Signs: \$ 20.00, renewal fees; Brandy Wolff: \$ 50.00 rent (Community Room); Berkheimer: \$ 265.80, delinq. Per capita; Rep. Tim Seip: \$ 300.00, rent (December, January, February); Dumpster Permits: \$ 50.00, fees; American Legion Post: \$ 90.00, mechanical device tax, and \$ 50.00, health inspection fee; Now account interest \$ 3.92 (January);

TOTAL = \$ 17,126.55

PLGIT ACCOUNT: EIT: \$ 10,501.30; LST/OPT: \$ 177.84; PLGIT Interest: \$ 50.18, (January);

TOTAL = \$ 10,729.32

PAYROLL: \$ 14,864.14: Transferred from General Account (January); NOW Account Interest: \$.94 (January);

TOTAL = \$ 14,865.08

PLGIT FIRE DEPT. FUND: Interest: \$ 12.43 (January)

TOTAL = \$ 12.43

PLGIT HIGHWAY AID FUND: Interest: \$ 29.42 (January);

TOTAL = \$ 29.42

LANDFILL ACCOUNT: Interest: \$.14, (January);

TOTAL \$.14

STREET RECONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT: Interest: \$ 1.41 (January);

TOTAL = \$ 1.41

POLICE PENSION FUND: Interest: \$.05, (January);

TOTAL = \$.05

SWIMMING POOL FUND: Cash Receipts: \$.00 (January);

TOTAL = \$.00

CLAY STREET BUILDING FUND: Interest: \$ 27.55 (January);

TOTAL = \$ 27.55

POOL BUILDING GRANT ACCOUNT: Interest: \$.00

TOTAL = \$.00

EXPENDITURES: Adams and Donmoyer motion to approve payment of the monthly expenditures. Roll call vote. All in favor. General Fund: \$ 19,739.38; Fire Dept. Fund: \$ 3,519.43; Payroll Fund: \$ 5,238.76; Swimming Pool Fund: \$ 668.24; PLGIT Clay Street Building Account: \$ 5,772.03; Highway Aid Fund: \$ 1514.59; PLGIT General Account: \$ 20,000.00;

EFT	Yahoo, website fee	13.94
6604	Larry Tobin, dumpster retainer fee	25.00
6605	Pribilla's. supplies	105.12
6606	Berkheimer, services	301.52
6607	Capital Blue Cross, insurance	2,879.10
6608	SMA, utilities	358.57
6609	P.P. & L. Co., utilities	4,833.03
6610	P.P. & L. Co., Holiday lighting	205.92
6611	Frontier Tele. Co., services	270.34
6612	Tremont Library, internet fees	20.00
6613	Harleysville Life Ins., council premium	8.59
6614	Potts & Monger, garbage removal	60.00
6615	Mid Penn Bank, loan	873.21
6616	SMA, sewer utilities	90.00
6617	Ehrlich, monthly service fee	105.00
6618	Kreiser's Fuel, monthly	454.34
6619	SORG, Roto-Rooter, services	250.00
6620	Lewis T. Moyer, Health officer fees	75.00
6621	Atty. Chris Hobbs, solicitor fees	141.62
6622	H. A. Thompson, Prop. Ins.	2,271.00
6623	B & S Auto, repairs	256.77
6624	South Sch. Publishing, subscription renewal	33.00
6625	State Workers Ins. Fund, w/c premium inst.	2,795.00
6626	Sommer's Plumbing, repairs	194.00
6627	Witmer Assoc., police supplies @ taser	284.50
6628	Werner Lumber Co., supplies @ repairs	98.46
6629	American Rock Salt Co., Frailey supply road salt	1,571.58
6630	NEPA, membership renewal	250.00
6631	Pottsville Republican, ads for lifeguards & room to let	414.77
6632	Carisa's Cleaning Service, custodian fees	<u>500.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 19,739.38

PLGT FIRE DEPT FUND:

360	Voided Check	.00
361	Mar's Diesel, repairs @ truck	2,866.06
362	VCLF, truck loan	<u>653.37</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 3,519.43

PLGIT HIGHWAY AID FUND:

424	American Rock Salt Co., Tremont supply road salt	<u>1,514.59</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 1,514.59

PAYROLL FUND:

EFT	PA Dept of Revenue, State Payroll Tax	198.08
4716	HAB-DLT, wage attachment	707.56
4717	Miners Bank, Federal Payroll Tax Deposit	2,007.14
4723	FOP Black Diamond Lodge, Police Dues (February)	40.00
4724	Miners Bank, Federal Payroll Tax Deposit	2,080.26
EFT	PA Dept of Revenue, State Payroll Tax	<u>205.72</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 5,238.76

SWIMMING POOL FUND:

1249	Barco Products, bike rack for pool area	554.64
1250	Miller's Dist., concessions	95.12
1251	P.P. & L. Co., utilities	<u>18.48</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 668.24

PLGIT CLAY STREET SCHOOL BUILDING ACCOUNT:

120	Evan's Painting, classroom floor sanding	1,650.00
121	B & D Contracting, electrical repairs	3,200.00
122	Sherwin-Williams, paint & supplies	28.71
122	Barco Products, floor mats	<u>893.32</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 5,772.03

PLGIT GENERAL FUND:

203	Tremont Borough General Checking, transfer	<u>20,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 20,000.00

There being no further business Adams and Wiscount motion to adjourn from the regular meeting at 7:55 p.m. All in favor.

ATTEST

PRESIDENT

