

October 13, 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, Robert Donmoyer, Gene Griffiths, Roger M. Adams and Gerald Fasnacht. Also attending: Mayor William Allar, Secretary Cheryl Mack, Police Chief Michael Conway, Road Supervisor William Mindler and Solicitor Chris Hobbs. Also attending were: Reporters: Joan Schwer, and Leslie Richardson, Guest: Robert Kearns of Municipal Energy Managers (MEM); Fire Chief James Koppenhaver ; Citizens: Frederick Scheibley, Sally Kintzel, Tom Adey, Walter Salen, Roger D. & Kathy Adams, John Robinson, John Kohr, David Wiscount, Philip & Jane Kintzel, Dale Marks, Barbara Dietrich, Jim, Theresa, & Christina Becher, Jon Bertasavage, Mike Mattern, Chuck Bettinger, Lauren Potter, James Wolff, Jason Wolff, Lisa Charles, Jodi Reed, Kevin & Becky Gross, Orvil Koppenhaver, James Scheibley, Scott Fisher, and Robert Steele.

President Mack opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Donmoyer and Adams motion to accept the minutes of the September 08, 2009 Regular Meeting. All in favor.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: John Robinson requested permission on behalf of the Tremont Food Pantry and the T.C.O. to use the Clay Street gymnasium to hold a Haunted Halloween Dance for ages 18 and under on Saturday, October 31st. from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Fasnacht and Mease motion to grant permission for this use. All in favor.

On behalf of St. Peter's U.C.C. Church, Robinson also inquired whether the Borough could patch the parking lot where the public uses it as a thru road to get from Goodspring Street to Spring Street. Mindler stated that he can take care of this request.

Jane Kintzel announced that October 28th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. is Safe Trick or Treat Night at the Tremont Nursing Home and she requested that the Police place flares on Route 125 in front of the Nursing Home. Mayor Allar said that he will take care of this request.

Many of the citizens in attendance were there to discuss the proposed agreement with the Little Cardinals Football Teams to make improvements to and use the baseball field for their practices and home games from mid-August through October. After a lengthy discussion, Adams and Donmoyer motion to advertise a Special Public Meeting for Monday, November 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the Clay Street building to discuss this issue in greater detail before any action is taken on the agreement. All in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS: Donmoyer and Fasnacht motion to have the Borough join the Schuylkill County Chamber of Commerce at a cost of \$ 105.00 so that the Borough can join into an energy pool through them in order to save on our utility costs. Roll call vote. All in favor.

PA Dept. of Labor & Industry sent a reminder that the Clay Street elevator is due for the three year hydraulics test prior to receiving the license renewal on January 1, 2010. Secretary Mack provided a quote of \$ 978.00 from Thyssen-Krupp and a quote of \$ 400.00 from Port Elevator Co. to do this testing. Adams and Donmoyer motion to

hire Port Elevator to do the test and to use our regular technician from P.M. Associates to witness this test as required by L& I at a cost not to exceed \$ 205.00. Roll call vote. All in favor.

No action was taken on the 2010 AmeriCorp grant application information that was provided to the Mayor by a State Employee. Since these are individual grants for residents that want to earn tuition credits for college the Borough Office will hold the information on file for anyone interested in applying.

P.P. & L. Co. submitted a sales quote of \$ 34,780.00 for the Borough to purchase our 113 streetlights from them. On this matter, Robert Kearns of Municipal Energy Managers, the company that will administer the maintenance of these streetlights on the Borough's behalf, attended the meeting at Council's request to answer several questions concerning this transaction. Mr. Kearns stated that Christine Que will make sure that we do not exceed our Cap Payments throughout this process.

Griffiths and Donmoyer motion to renew our "Labor Only" contract with Stanley Access Technologies to provide maintenance and repair service to our automatic door opener mechanism on the lower level lobby door at a renewal cost of \$ 188.75. Roll call vote. All in favor.

Adams and Fasnacht motion to grant permission to the Tremont Community Organization to use the auditorium and the Griffiths Community Room of the Clay Street building on Saturday, November 7th in order to host a spaghetti dinner followed by a performance of "Elvis on Stage" Roll call vote. All in favor.

Bonnie Kupp School of Baton and the Tremont Community Band both requested use of the auditorium of the Clay Street building on Saturday, December 12th with a snow date of Saturday, December 19th for Christmas programs. Kupp requested use from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and the Band requested use from 6:00 p.m. to approximately 9:30 p.m. on both dates. Griffiths and Donmoyer motion to grant permission to each group to use the facility as requested. Roll call vote. All in favor.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Solicitor Hobbs stated that he reviewed several junk vehicle ordinances that have sections that could address the Borough's concerns. Mayor Allar stated that he will consolidate a Junk Vehicle Ordinance using the sections of several other ordinances that would best suit the Borough's needs and then have Solicitor Hobbs review it before Council takes any action to advertise it.

PUBLIC UTILITY & STREETS: Griffiths lead a discussion on a possible parking issue on the Clay Street extension if vehicles park along that section of the street during use of the baseball field by the Football program as this could create a problem if the fire truck needs to get through. L. Mack stated that all these issues will be discussed at the Special meeting.

As per Mindler, the street department will pick up bagged leaves on Mondays beginning on October 19th and each Monday thereafter as needed. They also will add a second day of ash pick up for the winter season. Ashes will be picked up every Monday and Thursday beginning the week of November 2 until further notice.

Adams again complained about SCMA not making repairs on our streets. Mease suggested that Adams call Dave Holley to discuss his concerns.

PROPERTY: Donmoyer asked Council if any decision was made concerning the Klinger request to have the Borough remove a pipe on his property. Council chose not

to have the Borough workers complete this task as the pipe is on private property and removing it could create problems later on which the Borough could be held liable for.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Allar noted that Trick or Treat Night will be on Thursday, October 29th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

LAW & ORDER: Chief Conway provided a report for September noting 35 Incidents, 1 Arrest, and 2 Court Hearings.

Kavanaugh's report for September noted 19 Incidents, 3 Arrests, and 2 Court Hearings.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY: Koppenhaver noted that the Fire department responded to 6 calls in September. Adams announced that the Fire department will participate in a Truck Housing parade in Newtown on Saturday, October 24th.

Health officer Lewis Moyer provided the Borough with a passing inspection report for Behm's Restaurant which is required prior to licensing renewal.

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: Mease and Adams motion to authorize Secretary Mack to issue the budgeted contribution check of \$ 1,400.00 to the Library and the \$ 500.00 check to James Koppenhaver, the Fire Chief. Roll call vote. All in favor.

Adams and Mease motion to distribute 80% of this year's Firemen's Relief Funding of \$ 7,754.13 to the Tremont Fire Co. #1 to equal \$ 6,203.30 and 20% to the Tremont Ambulance Assoc. to equal \$ 1,550.83. Roll call vote. All in favor.

Griffiths and Mease motion to split this year's Municipal Pension allocation of \$ 14,222.82 equally for deposit into the five full time employees pension accounts. A deposit of \$ 2,844.56 will be placed in each account. Roll call vote. All in favor.

The Borough received it's annual PURTA Tax distribution check of \$ 484.12 which will be placed into our general operating account.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS: Mease and Adams motion to authorize Mindler to make repairs to the Crown Victoria police car at a cost not to exceed \$ 400.00. Roll call vote. All in favor.

RECEIPTS: GENERAL ACCOUNT: District Magistrate Carol Pankake: \$ 39.58 Vio. @ Ordinances and \$ 259.34, Vio. @ Veh. Code; Tremont Library: \$ 200.00, rent (October); Diakon Lutheran Social Services: \$ 873.33, rent (September) and \$ 182.76, utilities (August); IU-29: \$ 920.00, rent (September) and \$ 4.92, utilities (August); Road & School: \$ 2,439.90, delinq. R. E. taxes; Real Estate Transfer: \$ 1,545.08, taxes; Rep. Tim Seip: \$ 100.00, rent (October); Richard Kintzel: \$ 1,165.49, real estate taxes and \$ 38.50, Per Capita taxes; Senior Citizens: \$ 120.00, rent (September); Frailey Twp: \$ 1,630.45, reimb@ Police; Work Comp Reimb for Ambulance Service: \$ 416.00 from Frailey Twp, \$ 312.00 from Tremont Twp., & \$ 797.00 from Reilly Twp.; Schuylkill County: \$ 1,895.00, rent (September); Bonnie Kupp: \$ 375.00, rent @ gym (September) and \$ 60.00, rent @ classroom; Health License Fees: \$ 50.00 from The Corner Bar & \$ 50.00 from Behm's Restaurant; Firemen's Relief: \$ 7,754.13, allocation; Laine Mack: \$ 50.00, Community room rent;

Municipal Pension: \$ 14,222.82, allocation; NOW Account Interest \$ 6.39
(September); TOTAL = \$ 35,507.69

PLGIT ACCOUNT: EIT: \$ 10,330.27; LST: \$ 2,648.83; PLGIT Interest: \$ 30.48
(September); TOTAL = \$ 13,009.58

PAYROLL: \$ 23,378.39: Transferred from General Account (September); NOW
Account Interest: \$ 1.00 (September); TOTAL = \$ 23,379.39

PLGIT FIRE DEPT. FUND: Interest: \$ 3.79 (September) TOTAL = \$ 3.79

PLGIT HIGHWAY AID FUND: Interest: \$ 12.10 (September);TOTAL = \$ 12.10

PLGIT LANDFILL ACCOUNT: Interest: \$.04, (September); TOTAL = \$.04

M & T STREET RECONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT: Interest: \$.83 (September);
TOTAL = \$.83

PLGIT POLICE PENSION FUND: Interest: \$.01, (September);
TOTAL = \$.01

SWIMMING POOL FUND:Cash Receipts:\$ 1,217.50 (September);
TOTAL = \$ 1,217.50

CLAY STREET BUILDING FUND: Interest: \$ 2.23 (September)
TOTAL = \$ 2.23

EXPENDITURES: Donmoyer and Fasnacht motion to approve payment of the
monthly expenditures. Roll call vote. All in favor. General Fund: \$ 32,635.45; Fire
Dept. Fund: \$ 653.37; Payroll Fund: \$ 6,992.21; Swimming Pool Fund: \$ 30.17;
Highway Aid Fund: \$ 2,000.00; PLGIT General Account:\$ 25,000.00;

EFT	Yahoo, website fee	13.94
6843	Schuylkill Chamber of Commerce	105.00
6844	Tremont Firemen's Relief Assoc., allocation	6,203.30
6845	Tremont Ambulance Firemen's Relief, allocation	1,550.83
6846	Met Life, Mindler pension deposit	2,844.56
6847	MetLife, Kohr pension deposit	2,844.56
6848	MetLife, C. Mack pension deposit	2,844.56
6849	Tremont Postmaster, stamps	48.25
6850	Petty Cash, allocation	200.00
6851	Pribilla's, supplies	44.81
6852	Berkheimer, services	273.35
6853	Capital Blue Cross, insurance	2,587.42
6854	SMA, utilities	358.57
6855	P.P. & L. Co., utilities	2,696.96
6856	Frontier Tele. Co., services	212.54

6857	Tremont Library, internet fees	20.00
6858	Potts & Monger, garbage removal	60.00
6859	Mid Penn Bank, loan	873.21
6860	SMA, sewer utilities	90.00
6861	Ehrlich, monthly service fee	105.00
6862	Kreiser's Fuel, monthly	427.91
6863	Atty. Chris Hobbs, solicitor fees	449.98
6864	Lewis Moyer, Health Officer fees	50.00
6865	SWIF, work comp. inst. & audit premium	3,170.00
6866	M & T Bank, monthly loan pmt.	2,114.50
6867	Antz Energy Systems, HVACC maintenance	1,425.00
6868	Morgan's Service Station, police car repairs	367.27
6869	B & S Auto, police repairs	8.89
6870	Newswanger Lawn & Garden, highway supplies	13.19
6871	Victor Muncy, Inc., keys	12.00
6872	Central Penn Paper, supplies	119.85
6873	Carisa's Cleaning, monthly fee	<u>500.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 32,635.45

PLGT FIRE DEPT FUND:

375	VCLF, truck loan	<u>653.37</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 653.37

PLGIT HIGHWAY AID FUND:

432	M & T Bank, monthly loan pmt.	<u>2,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 2,000.00

PAYROLL FUND:

EFT	PA Dept of Revenue, State Payroll Tax	211.95
4893	Miners Bank, Federal Payroll Tax Deposit	1,985.26
4894	AFLAC, employee premiums (payroll deductions)	186.20
4904	Miners Bank, Federal Payroll Tax Deposit	2,076.04
EFT	PA Dept of Revenue, State Payroll Tax	223.94
4915	Miners Bank, Federal Payroll Tax Deposit	2,050.76
4916	FOP Black Diamond Lodge, Police Dues (October)	40.00
EFT	PA Dept of Revenue, State Payroll Tax	<u>218.06</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 6,992.21

SWIMMING POOL FUND:

1284	Frontier Tele. Co., services		10.89
1285	P.P. & L. Co., utilities		<u>19.28</u>
		TOTAL	\$ 13.17

PLGIT GENERAL FUND:

207	Tremont Borough General Checking, transfer		<u>25,000.00</u>
		TOTAL	\$ 25,000.00

There being no further business Adams and Fasnacht motion to adjourn from the regular meeting at 8.40 p.m. All in favor.

ATTEST

PRESIDENT