

Regular Meeting of California Borough Council, April 14, 2016

President Alfano called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

ATTENDANCE: Mr. Alfano, Mr. Bittner, Mr. Difilippo, Mr. Glab, and Mr. Mariscotti

ABSENCE: Mrs. Gutosky, Mr. Encapera, and Mayor Weld

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO AGENDA

Mr. Bittner added TAC Training

Mr. Bittner added quote from Allegheny Safe and Lock

Mr. Difilippo added check installing sewage on Highland & Highpoint

Ms. Evans added under Mrs. Gutosky's agenda- Solicitors bills

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

SPEAKERS

ALAN BENYAK

Mr. Benyak introduced himself as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the State Representative for the 49th legislative district. He stated he is running because he thinks we need a strong and aggressive voice in Harrisburg representing the 49th District and to represent the working people, senior citizens, and our veterans. His first priority will be property tax reform. It is a necessity throughout this district and this state because they can't pay their taxes. He said we are at a crisis point and it has to be done. He intends to sponsor legislation to shift the property tax from a progressive punitive tax to one that is based on someone's ability to pay. He stated it shifting it from one tax to another and would ideally shift it to sales tax. He stated it is another reason we have blighted properties because people lose them and just walk away. The second thing is he'd like to create job. He stated he'd like to develop the Wheeling Pittsburgh Steel Allenport property. There are 200 acres there and one million square feet ready to go. There is rail and a river and a seawall. You have an owner there, Mon River Partners who has asked for help from governmental leaders and it's not been done. He wants to develop that property to create real jobs and he's not talking, kayaks and bike rentals because that is not a real job. He wants to create family sustaining jobs where you can handle a mortgage, a car, a college education. He intends to work with the delegates to get a community college into Donora borough at the site of the former Elementary Center. He stated we need a school in this District to help with what we have here, shell, coal, and fossil fuel. If it can be done he will work with his delegates to bring that community college into the 49th district. These three things he promises. He also stated when he walks into office on his first day, if elected; he will sign legislation that if there is no budget then there is no pay and what he means by that if we can't pass a budget we do not get paid. He stated there is legislation created already and signed by most of the democrats and not one republican signed it and it states that if you do not pass a budget by July 1st that the school districts will continue their funding at the current level and the social services will continue with their funding at the current level but the state house does not get paid, the staffers do not get paid, and the senate and their staffers do not get paid and that will get everyone's attention real quick. It's very simple if you're not doing your job you don't get paid.

KRISTEN DIETHORN

Ms. Diethorn introduced herself as the new Librarian at the California Public Library. She stated currently the library is part of the tri county system that just yesterday they finished bringing on the rest of the libraries in Fayette and Greene County so now the system is composed of all the of the libraries in Washington, Fayette, and Greene county and we are very excited about this because it enables us to share resources so our patrons have access to almost a million different items. She handed out a fact sheet to council that shows in the first quarter they provided services valued at \$15,297.50 to the California community. She stated they've had two children's programs in April. She stated currently they are \$23,000.00 under funded according to what the state tells them they should have.

MARK ALTERICI

Mr. Alterici introduced himself as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the State Representative for the 49th legislative district. He stated the reason he is running and will work with both Democratic and Republicans to get things done. He stated he won't argue with any of the issues that Mr. Benyak already covered because he agrees with all of them. However, he thinks as state legislatures we need to create a job friendly atmosphere in Pennsylvania and that is where we keep missing the boat. 9.9% tax in Pennsylvania which is 39th highest in the country and that has to change. We will never bring businesses to this state unless we work on this first.

MINUTES

Motion by Difilippo/Mariscotti to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 10, 2016 duly carried with all members present stating aye.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – MS. EVANS

Ms. Evans read the accounts payable and account balances as of March 31, 2016.

Motion by Mariscotti/Difilippo to approve the Secretary's report carried with all members present stating aye.

Mrs. Gutosky entered the meeting at 7:00 pm

PRESIDENTS'S REPORT – VICE PRESIDENT DIFILIPPO

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS – MARCH 10TH AND APRIL 7TH

Mr. Alfano stated both executive sessions dealt with litigation matters.

CM SERVICES INVOICE #- 16-008

Mr. Alfano stated we have an invoice from CM Services in the amount of \$1,453.75.

Mr. Mariscotti made a motion to pay CM Services invoice in the amount of \$1,453.75. Mr. Alfano asked for a second to the motion. Motion failed for lack of second.

WHARF PROJECT

Mr. Alfano stated we had bid openings today for the Wharf project and the bids were higher than we budgeted for so council will discuss this and act at a later date.

Motion to table by Mr. Bittner and seconded by Mr. Difilippo passed on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

MACKIN ENGINEERING INVOICES

Mr. Alfano stated we have an invoice from Mackin Engineering in the amount of \$1,313.89 for the comprehensive plan project.

Motion by Difilippo/Mariscotti to pay CM Services invoice #43468 in the amount of \$1,313.89 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Mr. Alfano stated we have another invoice from Mackin #43534 in the amount of \$1,041.75.

Motion by Difilippo/Mariscotti to pay Mackin invoice #43534 in the amount of \$1,041.75 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

EP & D INVOICES

Mr. Alfano stated we have an invoice dated Mar. 9th from EP & D for \$526.14 for the wharf project.

Motion by Mariscotti/Difilippo to pay EP & D invoice dated March 9, 2016 in the amount of \$526.14 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Mr. Alfano stated we have another invoice form EP & D dated April 14th in the amount of \$1,734.60.

Motion by Mariscotti/Glab to pay EP & D Invoice dated April 12, 2016 in the amount of \$ 1,734.60 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

HIRE ED NEWCOMER

Mr. Alfano deferred this to the Borough Administrator. Dr. Martin stated it was brought to his attention that we do not have an accurate and clear deed and title to the land that was given to the borough from the railroad at Wyatt Park. In the comprehensive plan we're looking at the loop trail project and we have a number of properties that have come into the borough's possession in which we seem to have iffy deeds. Mr. Newcomer is a property specialist attorney in Uniontown and he has offered for \$100.00 per hour to review these deeds and set us on the right path to get clear and quiet deeds for these various properties that we seem to own but don't have a clear and property paper trail on. Mr. Newcomer would review all of our properties and tell us what to do to get the clear title we need so we can move forward with Wyatt park and eventually the loop trail. Mr. Alfano stated just to be clear these are mostly recreation al properties in the borough and they can't proceed with any other grant applications if we don't have a clear title to the properties we want to develop.

Motion by Mariscotti/Difilippo to hire K. Newcomer to clear up deeds for recreation properties at a cost not to exceed \$500.00 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Mr. Sears, Chairman of the Planning Commission, addressed council and stated that it is with great pride and accomplishment that the members of the California Borough Planning commission give you this 2016 Comprehensive Plan. This project is the result of many months of work on the part of the commission members, Mrs. Brandi Ricelli with Mackin Engineering, John Petro who is one of the zoning officers, and Dr. Martin, Borough administrator and many others have contributed their valuable time and expertise. The plan represents a frame work for the future of California Borough and reflects the energy and enthusiasm that the citizens place in that future. We, the Planning Commission, recommend that Borough Council adopt this 2016 Comprehensive Plan. It's not enough that the Comprehensive plan be presented and adopted for it to meaningful it's goals, objectives and strategies must be implemented. While adoption by Borough Council is essential it is critical that the 2016 Comprehensive plan be embraced by the entire community and it's call to action heard and heeded. The Planning commission stand ready to help in this task but leadership must come from borough officials and community residents to ensure that this document lives up to it's potential and transforms California borough by encouraging positive growth and sound land use practices. Mr. Alfano asked if we need to have a public meeting on this. Mr. Sears stated he's not sure how many but there is a public review period for this. He stated Ms. Ricelli will provide those guidelines. Mr. Alfano asked if we have this in a form that we can put online. Mr. Sears stated yes he has compact discs and he will turn it all over to Dr. Martin.

BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

PROPOSED CAMPAIGN SIGN ORDINANCE

Dr. Martin stated council asked him to do a little research into a possible ordinance concerning campaign signs and how they are placed throughout the borough for elections. He spoke with length with the director of the Washington County Elections office and he has a number of things to report back to council. First and foremost the state election code does not provide much information about campaign signs except to say that they must be 15' away from a polling place. He stated there is no real guideline at the state level for dealing with the issue of campaign signs. He stated at the county level the director of the elections office tells him that they don't have any particular guideline, however he was aware that there are a number of municipalities in Washington County that have such an ordinance. He stated that typically they allow signs to be placed 30 days prior to the election and must be removed within a week after the election is over. As to what happens when they are not removed different ordinances provide different punitive phases. There were two that seem to be the trend. One is that you simply impose a fine per the ordinance and fine the candidate. The second is and more municipalities in the county do this is they simply remove the campaign signs typically with their street crew or municipal employees. They then send a bill to the candidate for the removal of the signs. He pointed out that when candidates are fined for abandoning campaign signs or when you send them a bill for collecting their signs that it is quite often the local candidates that you recover things from. It is not from Stated candidates and it is rarely the federal candidates that you get anything back from. Dr. Martin stated Mr. Spar stated that most municipalities do not have an ordinance.

Motion by Difilippo/Mariscotti to authorize the Solicitor to draft an ordinance dealing with campaign signs setting time limits and parameters allowing placement 30 days prior to campaign and removal within a week after the election duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

RIGHT WHEEL TO CURB SIGNS

Dr. Martin stated this next request comes from the Parking Enforcement and we are requesting right wheel only to curb on Park, High, and the remaining part of Hickory Street. The top part of Hickory has the signage already but Kenny reports he is having issues on Park and High St. He asked for signs up there saying right wheel to curb only. Mr. Alfano stated if we are going to do this we need to restrict parking on one side of Park and High St. Officer Sheehan stated Park Street needs replaced signs and High Street signs need replaced for no parking on this side. Mr. Bittner stated Kenny, Dr. Martin and he spoke about this and we'd like to have the St Dept. go up there and paint and designate some parking stalls which would control some of the parking up there also. Mr. Difilippo stated so you are allowed to park left wheel to curb anywhere else in town. Mr. Bittner stated no. Officer Sheehan stated we only enforce it at the meters. Mr. Difilippo stated he stated since it is a state law he thought it was enforced that way all through town.

Motion by Bittner/Mariscotti to purchase and place right wheel to curb signs for Park, Hickory, and High Streets and no parking signs at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

FIRST NIAGARA SERVICE CHARGES

Dr. Martin stated as council knows we moved the plgit account from First Niagara bank to First National Bank and we knew at the time First Niagara may impose some charges against us for having this done but what we didn't realize is the charges they want to add to our remaining First Niagara accounts are going to be close to \$6,000.00 a year and because of that he is recommending to council that they move the remaining First Niagara accounts over to First National Bank to avoid these charges. Dr. Martin stated in discussing this matter with the banks he did have a long meeting with Carol Martini from First Niagara and she valued the relationship but the interest rates were not competitive on the large amount of money in the plgit account. She understands that because that rate was not competitive we felt obliged to move that. However she did say that she can't do any more than what she is doing with the service charges that are being imposed. His recommendation to council is to have the Secretary/Treasurer initiate the procedures to move those remaining accounts to First National but give us a window so Shirley is able to make sure we have the new checks. Council stated that 60 days should be enough time. Mr. Agrafiotis asked if any fees would be incurred for transferring. Dr. Martin stated no.

Motion by Mariscotti/Difilippo to move the General fund Checking from First Niagara to First National Bank carried on with all members present stating aye.

Motion by Mariscotti/Difilippo to move the General fund Money Market from First Niagara to First National Bank carried on with all members present stating aye.

Motion by Difilippo /Mariscotti to move the Municipal Bldg. accounts from First Niagara to First National Bank carried on with all members present stating aye.

Motion by Mariscotti/Bittner to move the Dare Program account from First Niagara to First National Bank carried on with all members present stating aye.

Motion by Mariscotti/Difilippo to move the K9 fund account from First Niagara to First National Bank carried on with all members present stating aye.

Motion by Glab/Mariscotti to move the DA Forfeiture account from First Niagara to First National Bank carried on with all members present stating aye.

Motion by Mariscotti/Gutosky to move the Demolition fund from First Niagara to First National Bank carried on with all members present stating aye.

Motion by Difilippo/Mariscotti to move the Street Improvement Account from First Niagara to First National Bank carried on with all members present stating aye.

Motion by Glab/Gutosky to move the Wharf Project account from First Niagara to First National Bank Motion by Difilippo/Gutosky to move the Matching funds to DCNR Wharf project account from First Niagara to First National Bank carried on with all members present stating aye.

Motion by Bittner/Mariscotti to move the Heavy Hauling Account from First Niagara to First National Bank carried on with all members present stating aye.

Motion by Bittner/Difilippo to move the Fire escrow and any remaining accounts from First Niagara to First National Bank carried on with all members present stating aye.

ORDINANCE 525 CHANGES

Dr. Martin stated in council packets you will find a draft of changes to Ordinance 525 that have to do with parking. The changes are in red in draft that we are proposing. Mr. Bittner and myself have been working on this for a while and we walked around town and actually looked at these streets and area. We are looking to change the meter rates in the downtown business districts eliminating the dime slots making them quarter meters only. Reprogramming the meters and what we were able to come up with which is recommended in the Ordinance is 20 minutes for a quarter in the downtown business district. We would leave the quarter meters in areas other than the downtown area the same. Dr. Martin stated we would however move the downtown district up one block from Wood Street to this side of Green Street and the college side of Green Street would remain on the 10 hour meters and this side of Green St. would be 2 hours meters. We are also proposing as a change the article on the third page in red which would extend the area where there is no parking permitted between 3 am and 7 am to the following area; Third St. to Mechanic Street to East Alley, Wood Street between Third St. and First Street, and Second Street which is new from Mechanic Street to Beazel Street, the whole length of Second St., and then Green Street between Second and Third Street. The reason we are making the recommendation that parking not be permitted there between 3 and 7 am is twofold. The first is to facilitate sweeping and the second is to facilitate snow removal particularly in an emergency situation. Mr. Mariscotti asked if Gallo's have a stall there on Second St. Dr. Martin stated they do not have a reserved stall and there are only two handicap parking stalls on Second St., one being down here behind the California Manor and the second one is in front of Professor Leslie Parkinson's house. Dr. Martin stated his personal recommendation for these spaces is we handle them on a per incident basis. Mr. Bittner stated Ken mentioned the east side of Green Street between Second and Third are good revenue meters and he thinks we should leave those. Dr. Martin stated he went up there after he said that and there were four meters and two of them are up by the Copy Cat and they were 15 minute meters that don't appear to be authorized by council at any point. He talked to Ken and stated we're not taking the parking out of here but we are talking about going to a two hour meter instead of a 10 hour meter. Ken indicated that most cars don't stay there longer than 2 hours but there are different cars in there all day..

Motion by Bittner/Glab to authorize the Solicitor to update Ordinance 525 as presented tonight duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

FURNITURE QUOTES

Dr. Martin stated council has in their packets the estimate for the furniture needed in the borough building as a part of the renovation and he is recommending that they accept the Costars estimate from Delaney and Associates in the total amount of \$18,131. 20.

Motion by Glab/Difilippo to approve the furniture bid from Delaney and Associates in the amount of \$18,131.20 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

CAMERAS FOR SEWER/STREET FACILITY

Dr. Martin stated council also has in their packets a proposal from Alarmax in the amount of \$1,288.10 for the cost of the cameras council requested down at the borough garage/sewer plant. Mr. Tудay is the one who reached out and found exactly the camera that was needed down there and he assures me that these prices are competitive. This is the cost for equipment only and Mr. Tудay's department will install them.

Motion by Bittner/Gutosky to purchase cameras for the Street/Sewer facility from Alarmax in the amount of \$1,288.10 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Mr. Difilippo stated the borough building is just about complete so we need to get Mr. Taday back out on the streets with his department.

USED EQUIPMENT SOLD

Dr. Martin stated in your packets is a list of old used motors and blowers and incidentals from the old sewer plant and we have no use for them and they cannot be used in the new facility and he's asking council's permission to dispose of those items. Mr. Agrafiotis stated we have a resolution on the books already authorizing selling things for under a \$1,000.00 with a market value decided by Doug or Jeff.

TROUT DERBY

Dr. Martin stated he's been in contact with Dr. Confer in regards to the Trout Derby and he knows the Recreation Authority has been working with that project as well. He did go ahead and make the arrangements for the dumpster that the borough typically donates to that event be put there on Friday and remain until after the Youth fishing festival.

PUBLIC HOUSING – MR. GLAB

ZONING/CODE UPDATE

Mr. Glab stated we are going through the normal process of doing the codes and zoning enforcement. Mike has been out on a daily basis and doing the necessary things. We are getting in to the season for the grass growing so she is reminding everyone that it is required that you keep your grass cut.

MCCAIN/SUBDIVISION SUBDIVISION

Mr. Agrafiotis stated he was given the McCain/Vitchoff subdivision and has reviewed it. Mr. Leer of Widmer Engineering has provided a letter dated March 18, 2016 wherein he proposed 4 corrections. Mr. Vitchoff's engineer has already done the first revision that Mr. Leer requested. The second correction that Mr. Leer requested, I spoke to Mr. Petro and also his engineer and we've come to the conclusion that that is not required. The third correction Mr. Leer requested is acceptable and Mr. Vitchoff and his Engineer agree to do so he stated he dictated a letter today but it was ready for his signature prior to this meeting, so he would recommend council make a conditional approval of this subdivision with three of the corrections listed in Mr. Leers letter being 1, 3 and 4 are conditions of the approval and also that under the notes on the subdivision Lot 3 needs to be added in there as well.

Motion by Glab/Difilippo to conditionally approve the McCain/Vitchoff subdivision per the conditions set forth as stated by the Solicitor duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

WIDMER BILLS

Mr. Glab stated we have two Widmer bills totaling \$920.00 invoiced under #21603102 (A&B) for Washington Hospital and Caltech7 Partners. He discussed this with Mr. Petro and they appropriate and we will pass these additional fees on to the applicants.

Motion by Glab/Difilippo to pay Widmer Engineering invoice #21603102 (A&B) in the amount of \$920.00 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

CALTECH PARTNERS TAP IN FEES/SEWAGE MODULE

Motion by Glab/Bittner to authorize the Zoning Officer to send Caltech7 Partners a letter in regards to the review of the module for the addition to the DREBO building and the borough will monitor the flow for a period of 12 months and at the point we will make a determination as to whether the tap in's we've charged them are appropriate or not and may add an additional fee to meet the ordinance as it was written carried with all members present stating aye,.

Mr. Petro stated he would like a motion stating that the engineers review indicated that they would pay an additional tap for the project and what we are doing is contrary to what their recommendation is. Ms. Evans asked if he just wanted the record in the minutes.

Mr. Glab stated practiced this in the past so we're just keeping in line with what we've done up there. Ms. Evans asked Mr. Petro if he is going to track the time line on these. He stated yes once they build it.

PUBLIC WORKS – MR. MARISCOTTI

STREET DEPT. UPDATE

Mr. Mariscotti stated there are ongoing operations at the street department.

2016 STREET PROJECT

Mr. Mariscotti made a motion to award the 2016 Paving Project to Victor Paving in the amount of \$67,377.50. Mr. Glab asked if there is a time limit to when they start. Mr. Alfano stated those times are from May 1st to maybe Oct. 1st. Ms. Evans stated the contract states work must be completed by Oct. 1st. Mr. Agrafiotis asked if Stephanie Whitlach reviewed it. Ms. Evans stated yes she has. Mr. Baker asked if that included manholes adjustments. Ms. Evans stated yes there are 6 manhole grade adjustments and 14 inlet grade adjustments. Mr. Difilippo asked who puts those times in there. Mr. Alfano stated our state person. Ms. Evans stated Ms. Whitlach does the standard items and sends it to the borough for Mr. Tудay's review and once he approves it I advertise it. Any of these can be changed. The only thing that stays is the documentation required, so we can change these at our pleasure. Mr. Difilippo stated he'd like to see that we put a time frame in there to start after the college students leave and finish before they come back. Ms. Evans stated you can stipulate any time you want.

Motion by Mariscotti/Glab to award the 2016 Paving Project to Victor Paving in the amount of \$67,377.50 failed with Mr. Bittner, Mr. Difilippo, Mr. Glab, and Mrs. Gutosky voting no and Mr. Alfano and Mr. Mariscotti voting yes.

Mr. Alfano asked if we are not doing any streets this year. Mr. Glab stated he'd like to make another motion to discuss dates with them. Mr. Alfano stated you don't need a motion to discuss with them you just do that in house. Mr. Difilippo stated he'd make a motion contingent on Victor doing it when we want him to do it. Mr. Agrafiotis stated Victor can come back and say that is not the job I bid on, so unless you want to rebid it and put those desired dates in there you have to do something. Mr. Glab stated if we rebid it that still leaves June to August. Dr. Martin stated if council wants to change those dates we have to go back to square and begin the process again and he just wants to make sure council is aware of this. Mr. Alfano asked council if they want to make a motion. No one responded. Mr. Alfano stated we don't do any roads this year the. Let's move on. Mr. Agrafiotis stated you can rescind the motion to reject this bid and award it conditionally upon Victor giving you assurances that he will do it before the time frame set by council. Ms. Evans stated the motion was not to reject the bid the motion to award it just didn't pass. Dr. Martin stated how about if we make a motion to award the 2016 Street Project to Victor Paving with the Borough Administrator discussing with Victor Paving the time frame requested and Stephanie Whitlock that the time frame window is this from here on in. Ms. Evans stated we can change those dates any time we are bidding a project.

Motion by Difilippo/Bittner to award the 2016 Street Project to Victor Paving with the Borough Administrator discussing with Victor Paving with them to start after May 15th and finishing by August 15th and Stephanie Whitlock that the time frame window is this from here on after duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present.

Dr. Martin commended the Street crew for the work they've done in cleaning up the bottoms and the area around Rotary Park .

PUBLIC SAFETY – MR. BITTNER

OFFICER TRAINING

Motion by Bittner/Difilippo to send Officer Sheehan to the TAC Officer's Training in Monroeville at no cost to the borough other than his regular shift wages duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

FINANCE – MRS. GUTOSKY

Motion by Gutosky/Glab to pay the monthly bills as presented duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Motion by Gutosky/Glab to pay the Solicitor's bill in the amount of \$4,476.05 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Mrs. Gutosky stated the break down on that is \$4,047.50 from the General fund and \$429.00 from the Sewer fund.

PUBLIC HEALTH – MR. DIFILIPPO

WIDMER’S INVOICE # 21603100 (A – E) - \$10,675.00

Mr. Difilippo stated he has Widmer’s bill here and they total \$10,675.00 for all five . The breakdown is one is Waste load management report for 2015, Waste water treatment plant inspection, Coal Center pump station design, professional engineer expert witness, and main pump station field services.

Motion by Difilippo/Glab to pay Widmer Engineering’s invoice #21603100 (A – E) in the amount of \$10,675.00 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

SCISSOR LIFT

Mr. Difilippo stated he’d like to get some more information before discussing this further.

TRAINING – RON SANTO

Motion by Difilippo/Glab to send Ron Santo to Service training class from July 19th through July 21st at a cost of \$300.00 plus his wages duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

MBC DEVELOPEMENT REFUND

Mr. Difilippo stated he received a request for a refund from MBC Development located in the Technology Park, the Dep building, and what had happened the reader was reading at 6 dials and it should be a 5 dial read. Tri County water already issued a partial refund and partial credit to them. He stated they are requesting the overcharges be refunded.,

Motion by Difilippo/Bittner to refund MBC Development \$1,799.40 for incorrect sewage reads duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Mr. Difilippo asked the Borough engineers to provide us a proposal for sewerage Highland Drive and possibly Blaine Road. Mr. Glab stated if we are applying for LSA monies for these projects we need to have something done in August.

PERSONNEL – MR. ENCAPERA AND MR. MARISCOTTI

Nothing to report

MAYOR’S REPORT – MAYOR WELD

Nothing to report

ENGINEER’S REPORT – MR. EBY

MAIN PUMP STATION UPDATE

Mr. Eby stated the contractor did an inspection last week when he was there. The internet has been hooked up down there so we can hook the alarms up and the SCADA guy will be back April 26th to set up the sewage alarms for the pump station. Mr. Eby stated once we got our calibration the flow meter the plant wasn’t reading the same number so he had the supplier of the flow meter come in and there was some kind of glitch and he wasn’t able to figure it out either. He’s going to bring another meter down and temporarily wire it to see if the wiring is the issue.

WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT UPDATE.

Mr. Eby stated we did get response back from the motor manufacturer and they are not going to cover the damage. Mr. Eby stated he gave the board prices last month on purchasing a new motor and the price was \$4,600.00. Mr. Eby stated to repair it costs ¾ of the price of a new one. We pre purchased this equipment and it sat for over a year until start up and we had no documentation that it was rotated or maintained through that year so it won’t be covered under warranty.

Motion by Difilippo/Bittner to purchase a motor for the pump from Kappy and Associates at a cost of \$4,600.00 plus shipping duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Mr. Eby stated that Ron was interested and at the last meeting he gave a proposal to rewire that motor and put a cavity pump in the pit so if the station goes down it will not flood that motor. We will be able to install it this summer because we'll be shutting down a portion of the plant.

Motion by Difilippo/Glab to discontinue and install alarm on the pump so it doesn't flood the pump duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – MR. AGRAFIOTIS

ORDINANCE 553 – AMENDING FLOOD PLAIN ORDINANCE

Mr. Agrafiotis stated ordinance 553 was advertised last Thursday in the Herald Standard and it amends our flood plan ordinance to bring it into compliance with FEMA's requirements

Motion by Bittner/Gutosky to adopt Ordinance 553 which amends ordinance 550 duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Glab stated the Zoning and Planning office want to attend a webinar entitled the Benefits of an effective planning commission. It is being hosted by PSAB and will be a noon on April 20th at a cost of \$40.00 .

Motion by Glab/Mariscotti to authorize the Zoning office to attend a webinar on April 20th at a cost of \$40.00 entitled Benefits of an effective planning commission duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

GEORGE FRANK LITIGATION

Mr. Agrafiotis stated as council is aware the litigation with George and Shirley Frank is settled and our insurance counsel asked him that the following motion be approved;

Motion by Glab/Difilippo that we notify the Pennsylvania Integrated Risk Management Association and our Claims representative that the borough has not objection to the settlement of the litigation captioned as "George and Shirley Frank vs California Borough, Glen Johnston, Inc., and Fayette Engineering Co., Inc, Washington Common Pleas Court Docket 2013-2125 provided that the compensation that the clients agreed to accept is to be made by or on behalf of the borough is contributed by PIRMA and easement for continued maintenance for the sewer line is provided in the form and contents that is satisfactory to the legal counsel of the borough duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

FRANK EASEMENT

Motion by Bittner/Gutosky to authorize the Engineer to perform services to provide a legal plat depicting the sanitary sewer line and required easement for the property owned by George Frank Jr. and Shirley Frank duly carried on a roll call vote with all members present voting yes.

Mr. Alfano stated he had a quick chat with Mr. Kulak about the outstanding punch list for the municipal bldg. and he had a question for Jeff but he's not here tonight. Mr. Alfano asked Dr. Martin to get with Jeff and see where we are with the generator start up.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

JIM MADDIEX

Mr. Maddiex stated this afternoon he reviewed the flood plain ordinance and asked what the changes were and Mr. Agrafiotis stated two indentions and one underline.

Mr. Maddiex stated the second thing is on the campaign signs he believes there is already something in our ordinance stating when they have to be taken down.

Mr. Maddiex reminded council that the planning commission will be meeting May 3rd and the 31st this month.

President Alfano adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.