

**Dallastown Borough
175 E. Broad Street
Dallastown, PA 17313
June 14, 2010 – 7PM
Meeting Minutes**

CALL TO ORDER

The June 14th Council Meeting was called to order by Council President Ronald Smith, followed by prayer, the pledge to the flag and roll call.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ronald Smith – President
Richard Bogart – Vice President
David Simpson – President Protem
R. Jean Capatch
Gregory Kline
Bernell Kohler

ABSENT

Quay Markel - Medical

ALSO PRESENT

Connie Stokes – Borough Manager
Bruce Bankenstein – Solicitor
Steve Malesker – Engineer – C.S. Davidson

VISITORS

Jennifer & Kevin Stein – 110 Maylyn Ave., Dallastown
Sara & Jason Wise – 231 Kirsta Lane, Dallastown
Kim McChalicker – 631 Nottingham Way, Red Lion
Theresa Craley – 430 Dartha Dr., Dallastown
Harold & Donna Voorhees – 171 Maylyn Ave., Dallastown
Jerry & Mary Duncan – 120 Maylyn Ave., Dallastown
Arthur Herrold – 681 Colonial Dr., Dallastown
Ed Shane – 601 Carrie Dr., Dallastown
Charles & Beverly Mooney – 660 Colonial Dr., Dallastown
Rick LoBianco – 230 Kirsta Lane, Dallastown
Chip Zager – 602 Carrie Dr., Dallastown
Kent Smith – 165 April Lane, Dallastown
Glenn Miller – 114 April Lane, Dallastown
Ernie Smeltzer – 251 Kirsta Lane., Dallastown
Wayne Care – 266 Kirsta Lane, Dallastown
Keith Metzel – 115 April Lane, Dallastown

ANNOUNCEMENT

- Congratulations and Good Luck to all the 2010 graduating seniors @ Dallastown Area High School.
- July 5th – The Office will be closed due to the July 4th Holiday.

APPROVAL OF 5/24/2010 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Mr. Kohler moved and was seconded by Mr. Kline to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion carried 5-0-1. Mr. Simpson abstained.

APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion: Mr. Simpson moved and was seconded by Mr. Kline to approve the payment of bills as presented.

Motion carried 6-0.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Motion: Mr. Kohler moved and was seconded by Mr. Kline to approve the financial statements as presented.

Motion carried 6-0.

RECREATION UPDATE – There was not a representative present, but copies of the May 3rd Meeting Minutes were distributed to the Council members.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Chief Darryl Ehrhart was in the hospital. The Knox Box discussion will stay on the agenda for the next meeting.

EMA – There was not a representative present. Copies of the EOP were given to all Council members for their review. Any comments or corrections are to be forwarded to Connie Werner. This item will stay on the agenda pending comments or approval of the EOP.

VISITORS

- Theresa Craley & Kim McChalicker were present representing The Red Lion Area Senior Center. The Center is located next to the Red Lion Post Office in York Township. The Center sponsors such programs as Meals on Wheels which allows seniors to stay in their homes longer plus the Center, itself, serves as a place for fellowship, activities, and nutritious meals. 13% of the seniors that are participating are from Dallastown and enrollment has been increasing. The Senior Center would like to work with Dallastown's Recreation Board in order to discover the needs of Dallastown's seniors and possible new programs. The Center works on a fiscal year, so as soon as next year's budget is completed they will see that Council receives a copy.
- Several residents from the Colonial Heights area were in attendance concerning the septic problems some of the residents in that area are experiencing. A survey was delivered to all Borough residents in that area a few weeks ago to ascertain the magnitude of the problem. Mr. Bogart explained that Colonial Heights is the only area in the Borough that does not have sewer and once Council starts to hear that there are failures, it must be addressed. DEP requires that the Borough makes sure that sewage disposal is done correctly. If the problem is not addressed, DEP can come in and mandate that everyone hook up to sewer and that is what the Borough is trying to avoid. The direction the Borough is going is to design an entire system for the whole neighborhood, but only initially implement the areas with the problems. Part of what DEP requires is a survey to be done in the area, which was done and 62% of them were returned. The Borough does not want to force everyone to hook up to sewer, but in order to keep DEP from mandating it, forward progress must be shown.
Council fielded questions from the residents:

Kent Smith of 165 April Lane stated that York Township requires residents to provide evidence that septic systems are pumped out every 3 years and was wondering if that would be something the Borough could require. The engineer will look into it.

Glenn Miller of 114 April Lane stated that the properties with problems are right off of Park St. and not any further into the development. He asked that a solution be found for just those properties that are having problems and not everyone in the development.

Ernie Smeltzer of 251 Kirista Lane asked if York Township had any plans in the area adjacent to Colonial Heights. Ms. Stokes had spoken to York Township already and they do not have any plans in the near future.

Wayne Care of 266 Kirista Lane stated that it would be cheaper to replace the septic tank rather than put in a sand mound.

Keith Metzler of 115 April Lane stated the residents should have been formally invited to the meeting, instead of hearing it second hand, in order to keep up good relations. Mr. Bogart explained that they are only in the preliminary stages and the reason it was on the agenda was for Council to review the results of the surveys. Information needs to be gathered first. The residents will be contacted and invited to attend all meetings once all the facts are obtained and Council is able to start considering solution options.

Charles Mooney of 660 Colonial Dr asked if there is a ballpark system cost. The engineer did do some ballpark estimates for 2 options for an entire system. The first being the traditional gravity sewer with a pumping station, estimated at a cost of \$2.2 million. The second option is to install pressure sewers which are a more economical system. Each property would have a grinder pump which would run from the lateral to the sewer main. This option estimates at a cost of \$1.3 million. These are preliminary estimates and the cost to each resident would vary. Mr. Mooney also asked where the funds would be coming from. Ms. Stokes stated that Council would have to work that out and that it would be a combination of a few things.

Mary Duncan of 120 Maylyn Avenue asked the engineer why he looked at the whole neighborhood instead of just the few homes with the immediate problems. Mr. Malesker responded that Council needed to see the big picture in order to educate themselves to all the options. Ms. Duncan then questioned Mr. Bogart on the timetable. Ballpark time estimates would be approximately 6 months for the immediate problems and 2 years for the whole development.

Chip Zager of 602 Carrie Dr asked worse case scenario, if the sewer goes in, what must be done with the existing septic? The engineer stated that it would need to be either removed or filled with stone.

Borough Solicitor, Bruce Bankenstein, made it clear to all meeting attendees that any cost estimates or schedules discussed by Borough Council at tonight's meeting are very preliminary and they are not to hold Council to the costs and dates discussed.

MAYOR'S REPORT – The Mayor was not present, but her monthly report was distributed to the Council members.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

- The inspection for the adoption of Broad Street @ Cedar Heights has been completed and the results were positive. The next step is to hold the public hearing which must be advertised two weeks in advance. It was decided to hold the public hearing on August 9th at 7:00PM prior to the regularly scheduled Council meeting. Then adoption could be done during the regular meeting.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

- The 2010-2011 contractor & material contracts were ready to be executed. The engineer was still waiting for correct insurance from Kinsley and Recon, but with a motion those two contracts could be signed as soon as the insurance is received and Fitz & Smith and York Buildings Products could be signed immediately.

Motion: Mr. Simpson moved and was seconded by Mr. Bogart to approve the execution of Fitz & Smith and York Building Products contracts immediately and Kinsley and Recon as soon as insurance is received.

Motion carried 6-0.

- S. Walnut Street Update – Kinsley is moving along with only a few problems. The results of the water main testing have been received and were fine. The residents are putting in their curbs and sidewalks. The project is on track for Kinsley to finish the water line installation by the end of July and the paving is to begin in August.
- Colonial Heights – The engineer did an estimated breakdown on the two properties that are having problems as far as the costs for the pressure sewer option, which is their only option:
 - 220 S. Park – Approx. \$30,000 (\$12,000 to resident & \$18,000 to borough)
 - 110 Maylyn – Approx. \$45,000 (\$10,000 to resident & \$35,000 to borough)

Another extension was requested by the Steins at 110 Maylyn on the letter they received from the Dallastown Borough Sewer Enforcement Officer.

Motion: Mr. Bogart moved and was seconded by Mr. Kohler to extend to July 12th because they are working with Council towards a solution.

Motion carried 6-0.

- S. Pleasant Update – The Engineer met with Mike Summerville of PennDOT. There was a question as to who was going to put in the wearing course after the inlet. This was the first Mr. Summerville heard about this and he was going to take it back to PennDOT and would let us know. He gave the Borough permission to put the wearing course in, but Mr. Malesker feels the bill should be sent to PennDOT. This will be ongoing and will stay on the agenda.
- There was a collapsed storm drain that needs replaced on Newton Avenue at a cost of approximately \$4,000.00. Fitz & Smith was contacted.
- Tri-State has completed the sewer contract obligation for this year. There were two laterals that had roots and the property owners were notified to correct. The sewer main on Walnut is in excellent condition.
- The fence at the Walnut Street building is being removed from the agenda and will be revisited if necessary.

BUSINESS FOR ACTION – N/A

BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

- FEMA has not sent correspondence concerning the National Flood Insurance, so it is being taken off the agenda.
- Ms. Stokes is still gathering information from energy providers. Currently Benchmark is in the forerunning and will eventually be offering their programs to residences also. She will keep Council informed.

REPORTS

- Yoe Ambulance Report
- Red Lion Ambulance Report
- Animal Control Officer Report

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Simpson moved and was seconded by Mr. Bogart to adjourn.

Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Wertz