

***Borough of New Stanton Council meeting
December 4, 2008***

The December 4, 2008 Council meeting of the Borough of New Stanton was called to order by Council President Scott Sistik at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the Municipal Building, 451 North Center Avenue, New Stanton, Pennsylvania. A Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance were recited.

Members present were Scott Sistik, Todd Bartlow, Thomas Smith, Wilbur Bussard, Sally Kintigh, Robert Quinn, and James Mack. Also present was Mayor Joseph Kazan, Code Enforcement Officer Melvin Steele, Borough Engineer Emil Bove and Borough Solicitor John Campfield.

General Business

A motion was made by Todd Bartlow second by Thomas Smith to approve paying bills in the amount of \$13,146.51. The motion carried with Robert Quinn and James Mack voting no.

A motion was made by Wilbur Bussard second by Todd Bartlow to approve the minutes from the November 20, 2008 Public Hearing. The motion carried with James Mack abstaining.

A motion was made by James Mack second by Robert Quinn to table the minutes from the November 20, 2008 Council meeting. The motion carried with Sally Kintigh voting no.

Council Additions to agenda

Councilman Mack asked that security cameras be added under old business and financing Broadview Road water and sewage project under new business.

Public Comment

Mr. James Fox asked if Council has heard anything about water and sewage on Broadview Road. Council President asked if we have heard from the County. The Borough secretary-treasurer said no we have not.

Councilman Mack said in reading the paper from Congressman Murphy there is some grant money possibly available for projects such as Broadview. The paper also states that all preliminary work has to be completed. Since we are not moving ahead rapidly with our building maybe earmark some of that money for sewage and water projects on Broadview Road. Mayor Kazan said I spoke to Emil about this same subject this afternoon. I was going to contact Murphy's office to see if this is adequate for this submittal. Proposals have to be submitted within 120 days. Mr. Bove said the water is

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project ready. The sewage is a little more involved. There was discussion about what is needed to get the sewage project ready.

A motion was made by James Mack second by Thomas Smith to reserve funding to start the sewage engineering part of the project on Broadview Road. The motion carried with Todd Bartlow and Robert Quinn abstaining.

**Announcement
Borough Christmas Party December 12, 2008
Christmas Party for Children, Dec.14, 2008, 2:00 p.m. to 5:00p.m.**

Administrative Reports

Code Enforcement

Melvin F. Steele, Jr.

Mr. Steele said everyone has a copy of my report and there was only one activity that is complete all others are pending.

Borough Solicitor

John Campfield

Mr. Campfield said the letter went out to Dorso concerning the gas rights of way. Apparently people were waiting to review the Kriebel agreement that has been here since October. I sent a copy to Kriebel to look at and I understand that Kriebel will have some additional requests in for gas lines. Enforcement notices and UCC notices have been sent to Kudrick's. Everyone has memos concerning the Proscap Development. In my opinion and Emil's opinion what they want to do constitutes a land development. There was some discussion about the Proscap Development.

A motion was made by James Mack second by Thomas Smith to require Proscap to submit a Land Development plan to the Borough. The motion carried.

Councilman Bartlow left at 8:26 p.m.

Mr. Campfield said the last item I have and I think Emil needs to bring you up to speed deals with Dr. Edge's development and Stanmont.

Mr. Bove said since my report of November 6, 2008, and it has come down to two (2) items that need done. The storm sewer still has debris in it. Those lines need to be cleaned by a company that actually does vacuuming and high pressure jetting. The other issue is the drywells. They are requesting a reduction in the current bonds that they have in place. We have received the as built drawings. There was discussion about taking over the roads and what to do with the drywell issue.

A motion was made by Wilbur Bussard second by Thomas Smith to hold \$30,000 for a bond and release the rest. The motion carried.

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A motion was made by Wilbur Bussard second by Thomas Smith to do winter maintenance on Edgewood Drive until the January 6, 2009 meeting. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Wilbur Bussard second by Robert Quinn to authorize Mr. Campfield to make a response to the letter from Dr. Edge's Attorney. The motion carried.

Engineer

Emil Bove

Mr. Bove said that we had a meeting with Penn DOT, myself, Mel and the Mayor about the bridge reconstruction on Arona Road. My concern was the time frame and how involved Penn DOT needed to be in the bridge project. Mr. Bove updated Council on the project and what went on at the meeting.

Mr. Bove said I don't believe anyone on Council was at the Act 167 County wide Storm Water Management meeting that was held at the Courthouse. Mr. Bove then read a letter that he received on the information.

Committee Reports

Finance

Scott Sistik

Council President read the following financial report for November, 2008.

Checkbook balance	\$569,981.97
Savings	\$203,772.23
Taxes	\$ 12,033.35

Public Works

Wilbur Bussard

Councilman Bussard asked if the Turnpike has done anything about the signs coming down the ramp onto I-70. Mel installed the 25 reflectors on the stop signs. We need to purchase 25 more along with the anti vandal hardware to install them.

A motion was made by Wilbur Bussard second by Robert Quinn to purchase 25 more reflective strips for the stop signs. The motion carried.

Councilman Bussard said I think that the construction company did a very good job here at the Borough building. I don't know who you thank for that but I appreciate it. Mr. Steele said the man to thank is Gregg who is a Penn DOT inspector. Mayor Kazan said maybe we should send them a thank you letter.

Mr. Ilgenfritz along with other members of the audience said that the Borough needs a light on the side of the building so that you can see the driveway. Mr. Steele said what is needed is a dusk to dawn light.

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A motion was made by Wilbur Bussard second by James Mack to have a Dusk to Dawn light installed on that side of the building. The motion carried.

Real Estate

Thomas Smith

Councilman Smith said there was a meeting and once we get more information on what was discussed I will bring it to Council and the people.

Health & Safety

Thomas Smith

Councilman Smith said the girls mentioned to me about the mailbox and my suggestion was maybe getting a two way mailbox. I see that it was moved and we will try it where it is for about a week.

Agenda

New Business

There was a short discussion on the meeting dates for next year.

A motion was made by Thomas Smith second by Wilbur Bussard to advertise the meetings for next year. The motion carried.

A motion was made by James Mack second by Wilbur Bussard acknowledging a vacation and personal day request for Mel Steele, December 5, 12, & 26, 2008. The motion carried.

Old Business

A motion was made by Thomas Smith second by Wilbur Bussard to adopt the revised 4 budget items to create a new budget total of \$916,575.00. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Robert Quinn second by James Mack to adopt Tax Ordinance 2008-227 establishing the tax rate for 2009. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Wilbur Bussard second by Thomas Smith to adopt the proposed Liquid Fuels Budget. The motion carried.

Councilman Mack said we talked about portable security cameras and Scott said he would have someone come and explain a little bit about them or get some information on them.

A motion was made by Wilbur Bussard second by Thomas Smith to send Mel Steele to a seminar on December 16, 2008. The motion carried.

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Reports

Mayor

Joseph Kazan

Mayor Kazan mentioned that in the past we have had a Christmas tree in town and wanted to know if we were going to put one up. Mr. Steele explained about a tree using a pole.

A motion was made by Wilbur Bussard second by Robert Quinn to purchase the pipe from Laurel Fencing for a Christmas tree. The motion carried.

A motion was made by James Mack to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Roll

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Secretary