

**Borough of New Stanton Council meeting
August 6, 2009**

The August 6, 2009 Council meeting of the Borough of New Stanton was called to order by Council President Scott C. Sistik at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the New Stanton Municipal Building, 451 North Center Avenue, New Stanton, Pennsylvania. A Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance were recited.

Members present were Scott C. Sistik, Thomas Smith, Robert Quinn and James Mack. Also present Borough Solicitor John Campfield, Code Enforcement Officer Melvin F. Steele, Jr. Mayor Joseph Kazan and Junior Councilperson Joshua Myers. Councilman Bussard, Councilman Bartlow and Councilwoman Kintigh were absent. Also absent Borough Engineer, Emil Bove

General Business

A motion was made by Robert Quinn second by James Mack to approve paying bills in the amount of \$13,442.40. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Robert Quinn second by James Mack to approve the minutes from the July 23, 2009 Council meeting. The motion carried.

Council Additions to Agenda

Councilman Mack said there are several properties that need the grass and weeds mowed. Mr. Steele said everything is being worked on.

Public Comment

Mr. Ilgenfritz asked what was going on with the Sports Complex. Mr. Steele said we have not heard from them. There are permits they need from Penn Dot and the Federal Highway System.

Announcements

1. **Annual Community Picnic- August 8, 2009**
2. **Concert in the Park (NSBA) – September 6, 2009**

Administrative Reports

Code Enforcement Officer

Melvin F. Steele, Jr.

Mr. Steele said there were six (6) permits in July resulting in fees of \$793.66. I did talk to Proscap people and they are doing the stormwater management plan at this time but they will not be able to pave until Spring. They do clean the mud off the road.

Council President Scott C. Sistik read a report from Mike Stack on the progress of the Stanwood Elementary School project.

Solicitor

John Campfield

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Mr. Campfield said I gave everyone a copy of a memo on the Miller Subdivision. I also sent down a proposed resolution to appoint a delegate to the Tax Collection Committee for the County wide Earn Income Tax collection. A delegate has to be appointed before September 15, 2009.

Finance

Scott C. Sistek

Council President Scott C. Sistek read the following financial report for July.

Checkbook	\$603,485.35
Savings	\$279,881.31
Taxes	\$ 17,041.59

Business Development

James Mack

Councilman Mack asked Mr. Campfield since we have established a precedent of having a truck terminal in B-1 with Proscap can we continue to do that? Mr. Campfield said they were not given approval as a truck terminal. There was a lot of discussion about having a truck terminal in a B-1 zoning district and whether or not Proscap is a truck terminal.

President

Scott C. Sistek

Council President said I have spoken to three people from the Turnpike about the ramp coming onto I-70. We have a meeting on Monday to take a look at the situation.

Council President said there will be a meeting at New Stanton Fire Hall with our Council, Younwood's Council, and Hunker's Council and the Southwest Regional Police Department at 7:00 p.m. August 11, 2009.

Council President read two thank you's for the \$40.00 donation in the memory of Mildred Walker, Anita Hoffman's Grandmother.

Mayor

Joseph Kazan

Mayor Kazan said I received a letter and form from the U. S. Department of Commerce regarding the up coming Census in 2010. The form, targets non-shelter outdoor locations. Do we have any outdoor locations where homeless people might be staying? Mr. Steele gave the Mayor a few places where the homeless may be staying.

Agenda

A motion was made by James Mack second by Thomas Smith to table the motion on the storage building/municipal garage until the next meeting. The motion carried.

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A motion was made by James Mack second by Thomas Smith to make a \$500 donation to the Westmoreland County Veterans Affairs. The motion carried.

A motion was made by James Mack second by Robert Quinn to accept Kimberly Tomajko's resignation from the New Stanton Borough Recreation Board. The motion carried.

A motion was made by James Mack second by Thomas Smith to accept Ronald Spoonhoward's resignation from the New Stanton Borough Recreation Board. The motion carried.

A motion was made by James Mack second by Robert Quinn to send letters of thanks to Kim and Ron. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Robert Quinn second by Thomas Smith to affirm the decision to pay Rampart Security \$882.00 for Cameras/Labor at the Park. The motion carried with James Mack voting no.

Mr. Steele explained that they are going to need two grates that are damaged one by Cracker Barrel and the other one by LaTavola that is rusted. They are \$386.00 each. There was a discussion about the grates.

A motion was made by Thomas Smith second by Robert Quinn to purchase two grates at \$386.00 a piece. The motion carried.

Executive Session

Litigation/First Commonwealth Tax Appeal

A motion was made by Robert Quinn to go into executive session at 8:01 p.m.

A motion was made by James Mack to come out of executive session at 8:25 p.m.

A motion was made by James Mack second by Thomas Smith to authorize a settlement of the First Commonwealth Tax Appeal if the agreed to fair market value is at least \$590,500.00 and the School District and the County agree to it.

A motion was made by James Mack to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Roll

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Secretary