

The regular monthly meeting of the Ebensburg Borough Council was called to order on Monday, March 25, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ebensburg Municipal Building, 300 W. High Street, Ebensburg, by Council President Doug Tusing.

Present: Doug Tusing, President
Susan Barber
Cecilia Houser
Terry Illig
Dave Kuhar

Others: Randy Datsko, Mayor
Daniel Penatzer, Borough Manager
Dave Dodson, Public Works Director
Terry Wyland, Chief of Police
Blair Pawlowski, Solicitor
Bernie Kozlovac, Plant Supervisor
Danea Koss, Community Development Director
Ian Wissinger, Mountaineer-Herald
Zach Geiger, Altoona Mirror
Tammy Hessler, Synergy Environmental
Brian Loughnane, Synergy Environmental

Absent: Deborah Nesbella, Vice President
Joe Lutz

Audience: 2

A. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

B. **Public Comments** – None.

C. **Consent Agenda**

Ms. Barber made a motion to approve the consent agenda containing the following items:
(Kuhar)

1. Approve the minutes of the February 25, 2013 regular monthly meeting of Borough Council.
2. Approve the Financial Statement
3. Approve payment of bills.
4. Grant final approval to the Cox subdivision.

Illig	YES	Kuhar	YES
Barber	YES	Houser	YES
Tusing	ABSTAIN		

Motion Passed.

D. **Appointments to Address Council**

1. Commissioner Tom Chernisky addressed Council and thanked them for their service. Mr. Chernisky asked if there was anything he could help with.

- Mr. Brian Loughnane and Ms. Tammy Hesser from Synergy Environmental updated Council on the remediation project at Ebensburg Oil & Gas. They are proposing that Ebensburg Borough enter into an Environmental Covenant with Ebensburg Oil & Gas. The covenant states that the Borough would agree that "Groundwater at the Property shall not be used for potable purposes". Several concerns were brought forth and Council would like the Borough's solicitor to consider issues/points raised and come back with a recommendation.

E. Mayor's Report

The mayor encourages residents to voluntarily continue with the winter parking regulations if snow continues after March 31st.

The mayor commended Chief Wyland on working to move a recent federal case forward.

F. Council President

Mr. Tusing introduced and welcomed Ms. Koss.

G. Water/Wastewater Committee

- Mr. Kozlovac, Plant Supervisor provided a verbal report on activities at the wastewater plant during the month. There were no excursions for the month of February 2013. Plant flows averaged 1.21 mgd. An annual crane inspection was completed. Lab was accredited for 2013.
- Mr. Kuhar commended staff on getting the word out, specifically through reverse 9-1-1, to borough residents about the water valve replacement project
- Bids for chemicals were received. Mr. Kuhar made a motion to award chemical bids to Univar Inc. (Items 1, 2, 6 and 8, below) and SAL Chemical Co. (Items 3, 4, 5, 7 and 9, below). (Barber) Motion passed unanimously.

<i>Description</i>	<i>Univar</i>	<i>Coyne</i>	<i>Shannon</i>	<i>SAL</i>
1. Cal Hypo Induclor Gran	\$1.95/lb.	\$2.548/lb.		
2. Chlorine 300 gal. tote	\$1.37/lb.			\$3.35/gal.
3. Carusol Liquid Permanganate	\$14.75/gal.	\$13.58/gal.		\$9.45/gal
4. Caustic Soda 50%	\$5.59/gal.			\$2.94/gal
5. Chlorine 150 lb. Cylinder	\$.749/lb.			\$.55/lb.
6. DelPac 2020 Coagulant	\$2.094/gal.			
7. SLI Aqua Mag Phospate	\$9.90/gal.	\$10.57/gal.	\$19.47/gal.	\$6.95/gal.
8. Hydrofluosilicic Acid 23%	\$4.89/gal.			\$5.10/gal.
9. Calcium Chloride Flake	\$.288/lb.			\$.277/lb.

H. Recreation Committee

- Bids for bleachers were received. Ms. Houser made a motion to approve the purchase of 3 tip-n-roll bleacher sets from National Recreation Systems at a cost of \$4,722. (Illig) Motion passed unanimously.

	<u>Fixed</u>	<u>Tip-n-Roll</u>
National Recreation Systems	\$4,276	\$4,722
BSN Sports	\$6,050	None
All-Star Bleachers	\$4,184	None

2. Ms. Houser made a motion to adopt Resolution #2013-05 authorizing applying for a grant for playground equipment through the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. (Illig) Motion passed unanimously.

I. Street Committee

1. Ms. Houser made a motion to approve the name "Hickory Street" for an alley intersecting on the east side of Reddinger Street across from Lloyd Street. (Kuhar) Motion passes\d unanimously.
2. Ms. Houser made a motion to hire Keller Engineers to complete the design of sidewalks for West High Street, East High Street and Rowena Drive, per the proposal submitted in response to the recent RFP. (Barber) Motion passed unanimously.

J. Administration Committee

1. Ms. Barber made a motion to approve hiring LuAnne Niebauer for a temporary meter installation position, effective 3/25/2013, at the rate of \$9.00/hr. (Kuhar) Motion passed unanimously.
2. Ms. Barber made a motion to hire the eleven persons recommended for summer maintenance positions at rate of \$7.25/hr. They are Matt Bopp, Josh Bracken, Colin Illig, Zachary Ambrisco, Zachary Nedwreski, Bretton Nedwreski, Steven Papuga, Tanner Ambrisco, Chase Dill, Ryan Leary, and Nicholas Myers. (Kuhar) Motion passed unanimously.
3. Ms. Barber made a motion to hire Kimberly Franey as swimming pool manager at rate of \$11.50/hr; 35 hrs/week. (Kuhar) Motion passed unanimously.
4. Ms. Barber made a motion to hire the seventeen persons recommended for lifeguard positions at rate of \$7.25/hr. They are Emily Hansen, Chelsea Nelson, Luke Marcinko, Alicia Archangelo, Miranda Nalisnick, Zach Mazarella, Josh Remillard, Francis Horne, Allison Risaliti, Ashley Evans, Jessica Schaffer, Tara Chappell, Gabrielle Gironda, Jordan Johnson, Erica Kozorosky, Tyler Weigel, and Janessa Neighbors. (Kuhar) Motion passed unanimously.
5. Ms. Barber made a motion to hire Ron Jacobs as the summer work supervisor at rate of \$12.50/hr. (Kuhar) Motion passed unanimously.
6. Ms. Barber made a motion to hire Charmaine Aurandt for landscaping at rate of \$8.10/hr. (Kuhar) Motion passed unanimously.

K. General Business

1. Mr. Illig made a motion to increase the permit parking rates for all municipal lots from \$20/month to \$25/month. (Kuhar) Motion passed unanimously.

L. Department Reports

1. Police Department

Chief Wyland provided a written report on last month's activities. Chief Wyland added that they are following up on leads from the First National Bank robbery.

2. Public Works Department

Mr. Dodson reported on last month's activities including updates on the water project, meter-reading, and community room improvements.

3. Community Development

Ms. Koss provided a written report to Council and gave a verbal update on events and current projects.

4. Recreation Department

Mr. Pfeil provided a written report on the recreation's department activities during the month.

M. Media Comments/Questions

1. Mr. Geiger asked for clarification regarding meter installations to be performed by borough staff; more specifically, how residents would be able to identify borough staff personnel. Mr. Wissinger asked for background information on what prompted the Environmental Covenant addressed by Synergy Environmental.

N. Public Comments

1. A suggestion was made to make driveway entries wider when putting in new sidewalks. Mr. Penatzer said that's how they would be drawn going forward.
2. The timing/scheduling of the water valve replacement project was questioned. Concerns were voiced that the project interfered with snow plowing/snow removal.

There being no further business, Mr. Illig made a motion to adjourn. (Houser) Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:50 p.m.

Minutes Recorded by:

Danea Koss
Community Development Director