

## Lanesboro Council Meeting Agenda – December 5, 2006

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Roll Call - Dan Boughton, Regina Dilello, Myles Limbert, Bob Mireider, Bill Roberts, Stan Rockwell, Colleen Wilkes

Also Present – Gail Hanrahan, Mayor Chris Maby

Absent –

- 3) Action on minutes of previous meeting

Motion – By Stan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Colleen to approve as presented. Unanimous, so carried.

- 4) Visitors: Will Potter, Jeannine Keefer, Cora Cameron, Dale Rockwell, Herman Moffett, Sandy Benson, Jerry Benson. All just visiting.

- 5) Correspondence and resolutions –

- Central Bradford Progress Authority Resolution is needed for the endorsement of an enterprise zone in Lanesboro. The zone is part of a bigger package that was put together on behalf of all of Susquehanna County to increase economic opportunities, and funded by the County. Motion by Regina, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Myles to approve resolution as read. Unanimous, so carried.
- Snow removal bids – no bids were submitted. Two individuals, Dan Yoder, and Bill Seally spoke with Maby about bidding, but never forwarded anything.
- Snowplow / dumptruck bids – One bid was submitted by Simmons-Rockwell, in the amount of \$40,425, with a deduct for an alternative spreader. After discussion, motion by Regina, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill to reject the bid, as it is beyond what can be budgeted. Unanimous, so carried. Ad placed in newspaper for used snow plow, based on discussions with state auditors office and PennDOT representative Randy Decker. Bids accepted until 12/12 at 7:00.
- Letter from Tax claim bureau – the Lina Reed estate has been through 2 public sales without any offers. Would like approval to accept any bid for property. Motion to approve request by Bill, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Regina. Unanimous, so carried.
- Letter from Greg Selke regarding vacating portion of Depot St.

- 6) Reports:

- Police- 16 patrol hours, 4 training, 3 call out hours 1 court hour (won the case), 9 incidents, 4 arrests, 1 traffic citation, 2 parking tickets. DA meeting upcoming on 12/6. Officer Jason Kizer starting 12/08.
- Mayor
  - State audit on liquid fuels book complete – no major issues.
  - Bidding requirements discussed with state auditor general office and PennDOT local liason Randy Decker. Suggestion by Randy that we enroll in CoStars Program, as it allows you to purchase items without bidding, as the bidding is secured by the state ahead of time. Lanesboro is now enrolled in CoStars program.
  - Received notification that our grant application for a new police vehicle has been preliminarily approved by DCED in the amount of \$30,000. Will be developing

specs and sending out for bids upon completion of state paperwork that is forthcoming.

- Spoke with Greg Selke, owner of property along Depot St along the area to be abandoned. He is concerned about the loss of road frontage and wanted to make sure that everything has been looked at to keep the roadway open. Explained visit with Army Corps of Engineers, the need to shift the roadway hundred of feet to avoid any gravitational sliding of embankment if the hill wasn't secured, etc. Greg stated that he understood but wanted do discuss with his lawyer. Letter sent (copies provided to all councilmen), asking council to consider postponing vote for a month so that he can do some investigation himself.
- Code Enforcement – hearing on Gelineau property this week. Estimates for demolition forwarded to Shane for discussion at hearing.
- Community Center- \$300 in rent this moth. 2007 pricing is \$100/use for non-commercial activities, \$300 for commercial activities. Resident / non-resident cost is the same.

7) Unfinished business:

- Depot ST partial vacate ordinance roll call vote- yea: Boughton, Limbert, Roberts, Wilkes, Dilello, Rockwell, Mireider nea: none. Unanimous, so carried. The ordinance now stands at public review for a period of 30 days, during which anyone can appeal. If someone appeals, there will be a hearing scheduled in front of the council.
- 2007 budget ordinance roll call vote: yea: Boughton, Limbert, Roberts, Wilkes, Dilello, Rockwell nea: Miredier. Motion carried.
- Maby would like to research and apply for grants if available, for the purchase of a multi-family structure currently on the market, with the intent of demolition and building a small women owned and or minority owned business incubator. Council consensus – proceed as presented.
- Maby spoke with County Commissioner Roberta Kelly regarding ongoing problems with condemned houses / how best to force the issue of cleanup and or demolition. Commissioner Kelly is forwarding a copy of an ordinance used in other municipalities that places a portion of the owner's insurance money in escrow until such time the blight is repaired or demolished. Maby asked for permission to have solicitor review, make changes as needed, and publish for a vote in early 2007. Council consensus – proceed as presented.

8) New business:

- Stan asked that council verify that a budget line be included in the 2007 for emergency expenditures. Boughton noted there is a line item dedicated specifically to that. Maby noted that there are potential money makers not included in the budget that can be used to further increase this line item, or reduce debt elsewhere. These include sale of current police car and sale of the cannon property.
- Dan asked if sidewalk would be repaired by PAWC in the areas that were damaged during their recent activities, specifically in front of the Morris property and adjacent to Cleveland's Garage. Maby will send letter to PAWC and notify PennDOT of damage in road in the same areas.

- Dan asked about the streetlights that were out. Maby has a contact @ Penelec that generally has the lights fixed the next day – Dan will forward a list of malfunctioning lights to Maby.
  - Dan suggested putting a payphone in the Community Center. Council thought it was a good, Dan to investigate and provide update at next meeting.
  - Dale Rockwell to make repairs to sink in Community Center, and vent grinder pump in Community Center kitchen to the outside.
  - Maby spoke with Joe Bucci regarding the relocation of the cannon to Community Park. Everyone is agreement that moving is a good thing, relocation will be coordinated in the spring, along with a rededication ceremony.
- 9) Adjournment – by Regina, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Colleen, Unanimous, so carried.