

## Lanesboro Council Meeting Minutes – March 4, 2008

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Roll Call – Dan Boughton, Regina Dilello, George Houghton, Bob Mireider, Dale Rockwell, Stan Rockwell, Colleen Wilkes

Also Present – Mayor Chris Maby

Absent – Councilwoman Regina Dilello, Councilmen Stan Rockwell, Secretary / Treasurer Gail Hanrahan

- 3) Action on minutes of previous meeting
  - Motion by Dan to approve as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob. Unanimous, so carried.
- 4) Correspondence and Resolutions:
  - Letter from Post Office regarding some maintenance issues. In particular, the floor and outside walls need to be repaired by 3/31/08, otherwise the PO will contract the work and bill Lanesboro for it. Additionally, a water pipe broke and needs to be repaired. Maby & Houghton have quotes from Chad Norris (floor) and Dick Wheeler (other stuff). Estimates were for \$3,000 for outside work + \$280 for inside work from Dick Wheeler, and \$1,170 from Chad Norris. Norris estimate is for backer board, thin set mortar, cutting of interior doors, and installation of grout, tile, and wall base moulding. Lanesboro is to purchase and provide tile, grout, and moulding. After discussion, motion by Bob, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Colleen to approve estimates. Unanimous, so carried.
  - Letter from Susquehanna County Planning Commission regarding placement of a Lanesboro representative on a watershed board. After discussion, Bob Mirieder agreed to attend the meeting to be held in Montrose. *Maby provided Mirieder a copy of the letter immediately following the meeting.*
  - Letter from Eastern Industries noting sale of business to New Enterprise Stone & Lime Company Inc.
  - Letter from Planning Susquehanna County Planning Commission regarding setbacks – not applicable to Lanesboro, as it has its own subdivision and setback ordinances.
- 5) Code Enforcement –30 messages, 2 complaints, 3 general inspections, 2 building inspections, 3 condemnations. Received plans for former Ballard residence, waiting on return call from Attorney on Heller property, plans not yet for former Slater residence (see new business), needs direction from council on Pooler and Aldrich property. George will contact Shane about this. Also, Shane is working with school regarding permits for the needle tower. George has asked Shane to review the borough building and provide a report at next month's meeting in regard to its structure condition.
- 6) Community Center- \$ in rentals for month.
- 7) Mayor's Report: attached
- 8) Unfinished business:
  - Mountain Road update – George and Maby spoke with Gene Hulbert, who will be providing Maby a set of plans for review on 3/17. Final plans and bid documents to be provided to George by 3/21. After discussion, council agreed that Maby should ask Hulbert if the plans could be picked up by perspective bidders at his office, with a fee paid to Hulbert Engineering for the effort. Lanesboro to put advertisement in both county papers, Time, and Press. *Note: Maby confirmed with Hulbert they will handle distribution of bid documents on 3/17, with one*

*copy being provided to Lanesboro as a record set. Hulbert will bill for printing costs only (no secretarial time), as this is outside of the scope of work and contract.*

- Ballard property purchase – tabled until next month
- Insurance comparison – tabled until next month

9) New business:

- The new owners of the Slater residence were at the meeting to discuss what is needed regarding the foundation issue. George will contact Shane and have him coordinate directly with the owners. The owners stated their intent is to work on the foundation this summer.
- Dan provided an update on repairs to the recycler on the garbage truck. Two companies were contacted, only Ray's Auto provided an estimate (\$1,779.98). Motion by Dale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob to approve repair estimate and have work done ASAP. Unanimous, so carried.
- Bob – spoke with BobbiJo Turner from SCHRA about possible funding for repairs to the borough building, based on the \$54,000 that was provided by Don Richardson last fall. He understands that up to half of the money could be available. George noted that based on a discussion that he & Maby had earlier in the day with Northern Tier Regional Planning and Development Commission, no CDBG money was likely to be available until 2010 at the earliest. Maby noted that if Shane's review suggests that the building could be salvaged, plans and bid documents will need to be developed, along with prevailing wage used on the project, due to its cost exceeding \$25,000. George asked that all conversations be tabled until Shane's review is complete. A copy of the engineer's report completed in May of 2006 will be provided to Shane.

10) Visitors: Cora Cameron, Herman Maffett, Paul Corse, Jason Fissel, Jerry and Sandy Benson, Roland Salomon, Yuri Sanico and wife, and Dennis Martel. All visiting with the exception of :

- Paul Corse – asked who will be paying for the electricity at the soccer field. If & when electric is put in, the meter and account will be paid for and set up by the soccer association.
- Jerry Benson – concerned about the drainage issue in front of his house, on both sides of the road. Council understands his frustration, but noted there is nothing that can be done locally, as the issues are on a state road. It was further explained that the State has a 50' right of way in which they are allowed to do work, including ditches, etc. Maby suggested contacting District 4-0 in Dunmore via filing a complaint on the Internet if Montrose is unwilling to help.
- Dennis Martel – asked how complaints are addressed, and who decides what is included in meeting minutes, as the February meeting (year not noted) did not include statements he made. George noted that council approves the meeting minutes as a group at the following meeting, and that it's everyone's responsibility to make sure the minutes are complete. Dennis also noted that he walked along the rail trail behind Gow's house, and that water is still ponding on the uphill side of the trail. He also asked if anyone knew of the ancient animal footprints that were found in stone and mentioned in the Lanesboro centennial book on page 18. No one knew of these, or where they were.

11) Adjournment – motion by Bob, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Colleen. Unanimous, so carried.