

May 11, 2010

Tremont Borough Council met for their Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Clay Street School Building..

Council members attending were : Robert Donmoyer, Gene Griffiths, Gerald Fasnacht, and Scott Fisher. Also attending: Secretary Cheryl Mack, Mayor Bill Allar, Chief Michael Conway, Road Supervisor William Mindler, and Solicitor Christopher Hobbs. Citizens attending were: Frederick Scheibley, Walter Salen, Tom Adley, Joan Burkert, and Jennifer Spotts. Reporter: Joan Schwer. Pres. Laine Mack Jr. and Little Cardinal representative James Kintzel entered at 7:00 pm. Vice-President Donmoyer opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Griffiths and Fisher motion to accept the minutes of the April 13, 2010 Regular Meeting. All in favor.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: Tom Adley discussed a complaint about vehicles running on his property causing damage to it and creating a lot of dust. Walter Salen added that he would like to see something done to Cherry Street as he also has a dust issue due to the heavier traffic using that street since the sport teams have been using the ballfield. Mindler agreed to contact PennDOT to see if any millings from their projects are available for placement onto Cherry Street.

COMMUNICATIONS: Charles Huntzinger, the President of the Tremont Community Organization invited the Mayor, Borough Council, and Borough employees to the Memorial service at the Robert “Pete” Wiscount Veteran’s Memorial Park on Sunday, May 30th beginning at 1:00 p.m. Thomas Symons will be the guest speaker, student Alyssa Hatter will read her essay entitled “When is the Right Time to Honor Our Military Heroes”, Brenda Wiscount will be the soloist, the Tremont Community band will perform, and the PGA JROTC will participate. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided to all attendees. Mr. Huntzinger also conveyed the TCO’s appreciation and thanks to Gerald Fasnacht for volunteering his services to mow and trim the grass at the park and keeping the grounds in excellent shape.

The Tremont Area Free Public Library requested permission to use the ballfield and surrounding grounds on Wednesday, August 11th from 12:00 noon until late afternoon to hold an outdoor event in conjunction with their summer reading program. Various stations will be set up for games, crafts, stories, and refreshments. A raindate of Thursday, August 12th is included in this request. Fisher and Griffiths motion to grant permission for this use. All in favor.

Rep. Tim Seip was granted approval at last month’s meeting to use the Griffiths community room on Thursday, September 2 for the entire day in order to host an Older & Wiser Seminar for senior citizens. In planning this event, Rep. Seip has found that due to the various matters to be discussed and the time that the speakers will need to address each issue, he is requesting the use of the Griffiths community room from 9:00am until noon for six consecutive Thursdays beginning on September 2nd. Griffiths and Fisher motion to grant this request. All in favor.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT: Solicitor Hobbs had nothing to report except to request a brief executive session to discuss a legal matter. Since no action will be required it was

agreed to wait until all other agenda items are completed before going into the executive session.

PUBLIC UTILITY & STREETS: Fisher reminded Mindler that the crosswalk on North Pine Street near Dayton Superior should be repainted.

PROPERTY: One estimate was received for the repairs to the boiler at the TACC building. Council will try to secure additional information and estimates before any action is taken. Councilman Fisher also presented a plumber's estimate to install a water heater installed at the TACC building to save on the cost of the oil needed to heat the water with the boiler. Fisher will contact the plumber to inquire about the cost increase to have a computerized heater installed as an additional cost savings measure.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Allar publically acknowledged his gratitude to Rep. Tim Seip and his office staff for contacting PennDOT on the Borough's behalf to inquire when their sidewalk would be repaired on the Main Street bridge. Mayor Allar stated that both he and Secretary Mack made several telephone calls to PennDOT since February and the repairs were finally completed within two days of Rep. Seip's call to them.

LAW & ORDER: Chief Michael Conway provided a report for April noting 36 Incidents, 1 hearing, and 5 arrests. Officer Joseph Kavanaugh's report for April noted 43 Incidents, no Court Hearings, and 10 arrests.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY: Chief Koppenhaver noted that the department had 4 calls for February, 10 calls for March, and 10 calls for April. He also discussed the issue of rocks in the water supply getting through their heavy duty screens and causing problems in their lines. Donmoyer recommended that SCMA be contacted again on this issue as Pat Caulfield is the new manager. Koppenhaver also stated that they have been trying to get some estimates to repair and spot paint the rust spots on the KME. President Mack, who entered the meeting during this discussion, explained that he attended a meeting hosted by Congressman Holden last week concerning grant funding that the Borough may be eligible for to cover 35% of the cost to purchase a truck for the Fire Department to use for I-81 calls. When the grant application information is received, a meeting will be held with representatives of the Fire Company and Borough Council to discuss truck specifications and pricing so that we can apply for consideration of this grant funding.

President Mack gave an update on the ACT 32 hearings that he has been attending. Next Monday night a meeting will be held. A compromise has been made in that a weighted vote will be taken to pass the bylaws and then all other issues will be a one man one vote with some issues requiring a 75% "super majority" vote to pass such as purchasing property, hiring or changing tax collectors, and amending the bylaws.

RECREATION: Chairman Fisher stated that the pool is currently being prepared for a June 9th opening. Last year's lifeguards are planning to return.

The Kid's Klub was granted permission to use the ballfield on June 13th for their annual Summer Fun Day.

Fisher recommended that a letter of appreciation be sent to the Tremont Community Organization to thank them for the playground equipment that they recently purchased for the Clay Street property.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Fasnacht and Donmoyer motion to accept the report as

prepared by C. Mack. Roll call vote. All in favor.

FINANCE: Secretary Mack was granted authorization to transfer \$60,000.00 from our checking account into our PLGIT General Savings account if it will earn a better interest rate.

Donmoyer and Fasnacht motion to close out the PLGIT Landfill Account and transfer the \$145.73 from it into our PLGIT General Savings Account. Roll call vote. All in favor.

Donmoyer stated that Secretary Mack will provide the Finance and Property Committees with quarterly balance sheets for each building of actual profits and losses for review instead of opening a separate checking account at this time.

OLD BUSINESS: James Kintzel presented Council with the agreement between the Borough, the Little Cardinals Organization, and the Tremont Area Baseball Association. This agreement has been approved by the two sports organizations and signed by the appropriate officers of each one.

A discussion was held on the parking violations along School Street and Cherry Street during the baseball and football practices and games on the ballfield. The "No Parking" signs have been ordered and will be erected by the street department.

The next Council of Government (COG) will be held here in our meeting room on Tuesday, May 25th beginning at 7:00 p.m. The T.C.O. will provide refreshments.

Secretary Mack reminded Council of the Flood Control Meeting hosted by David Argall to be held at the DEP Office in Pottsville on Thursday, May 20th beginning at 6:00 p.m. l

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing to report.

Donmoyer and Griffiths motion to go into an Executive Meeting at 7:50 p.m. to discuss a legal matter. All in favor.

Griffiths and Fisher motion to leave the Executive session at 8:00 p.m. All in favor.

RECEIPTS: GENERAL ACCOUNT: District Magistrate Carol Pankake: \$366.45 Vio. @ Ordinances and \$63.82, Vio. @ Veh. Code; Tremont Library: \$200.00, rent (May), and \$1,589.63, wage reimb.; Diakon Lutheran Social Services: \$873.33, rent (April) and \$517.10 utilities (1st qtr.); Road & School: \$866.12, delinq. Real estate taxes; Bonnie Kupp:\$375.00, rent @ gym (April), \$20.00, rent @ classroom and \$44.19 utility reimb.; Sch. Co. Child Dev.: \$130.00, rent (April); Real Estate Transfers: \$1,553.98, taxes; YMCA: \$346.00, rent; Tremont Seniors: \$120.00, rent (April); Berkheimer: \$56.72, delinq. Per capita; Carolyn Folta: \$98,989.11, real estate taxes & \$1,842.40, Per Capita taxes; Frailey Twp.: \$1,040.00, reimb. @ Police; Dumpster Permits: \$50.00; Rep. Seip: \$200.00, rent (April & May); Tremont Historical Society: \$300.00, rent (2nd qtr.); IU-29: \$1,840.00, rent (March & April) and \$918.69 utilities (1st qtr.); Schuylkill Co.:\$3,790.00, rent (March & April); Clerk of Courts: \$9.59, vio. @ ordinances; T.C.O.:\$1,475.05, reimb.; Tremont Fire Co.#1: \$50.00, health license: NOW Account Interest \$ 13.49 (April); TOTAL = \$117,640.67

PLGIT ACCOUNT: EIT: \$ 6,561.03; LST: \$ 0.00; PLGIT ; Interest: \$.87 (April); TOTAL = \$ 6,561.90

PAYROLL: \$ 18,629.01: Transferred from General Account (April); NOW Account
Interest: \$.87 (April); TOTAL = \$ 18,629.88

PLGIT FIRE DEPT. FUND: \$14,750.00, annual 1 mill allocation; Interest: \$.87
(April) TOTAL = \$14,750.87

PLGIT HIGHWAY AID FUND: Interest: \$3.62 (April) TOTAL = \$3.62

PLGIT LANDFILL ACCOUNT: Interest: \$.01, (April); TOTAL = \$.01

M & T STREET RECONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT: Interest: \$.83 (April);
TOTAL = \$.83

PLGIT POLICE PENSION FUND: Interest: \$.00, (April);
TOTAL = \$.00

SWIMMING POOL FUND: Cash Receipts: \$322.00 (April);
TOTAL = \$322.00

CLAY STREET BUILDING FUND: Interest: \$.28 (April)
TOTAL = \$.28

EXPENDITURES: Griffiths and Fisher motion to approve the payment of the following
expenditures: Roll call vote. All in favor. General Fund: \$ 12,434.00; Fire Dept. Fund:
\$ 653.37; Payroll Fund: \$ 5,055.63; Swimming Pool Fund: \$ 29.15; Highway Aid
Fund: \$ 2,000.00; PLGIT Landfill Fund: \$145.73; Clay St. Bldg. Fund: -0-; PLGIT
General Account: -0-

EFT	Yahoo, website fee	13.94
7057	Pribilla's, supplies	88.16
7058	Berkheimer, services	185.60
7059	Capital Blue Cross, monthly premium	2,587.42
7060	SMA, utilities	358.57
7061	P.P. & L. Co., utilities	1,612.67
7062	Frontier Tele. Co., services	222.64
7063	Tremont Library, internet fees	20.00
7064	Potts & Monger, garbage removal	60.00
7065	Mid Penn Bank, loan	873.21
7066	SMA, sewer utilities	90.00
7067	Ehrlich, monthly service fee	105.00
7068	Kreiser's Fuel, monthly	518.36
7069	Law Office of Chris Hobbs, Solicitor fees	616.62
7070	M & T Bank, monthly loan pmt.	2,114.50
7071	B & S Auto Parts, repairs	110.33
7072	Morgan Service Station, police car repairs	285.84

7073	Witmer Public Safety, taser cartridges	158.50
7074	YIS/Cowden, police calibrations	13.00
7075	Tremont Postmaster, stamps	44.00
7076	Sch. Chamber of Commerce, membership fee	100.00
7077	Staples, police, janitor, & office supplies	437.76
7078	PA Dept @ L & I, boiler inspection fee	44.00
7079	Carisa's Cleaning, monthly fee	500.00
7080	Voided Check	.00
7081	Direct Energy, utilities	1,248.88
7082	Sherry Chistakoff, dumpster retainer	<u>25.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 12,434.00

PLGIT FIRE DEPT FUND:

386	VCLF, truck loan	<u>653.37</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 653.37

PLGIT HIGHWAY AID FUND:

450	M& T Bank, monthly loan pmt.	<u>2,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 2,000.00

PLGIT LANDFILL FUND:

EFT	Transfer to PLGIT General to Close Out Account	<u>145.73</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 145.73

PAYROLL FUND:

EFT	PA Dept of Revenue, State Payroll Tax	214.09
5079	AFLAC, employee premiums (payroll deductions)	421.62
5080	Miners Bank, Federal Payroll Tax Deposit	2,143.13
EFT	PA Dept of Revenue, State Payroll Tax	231.83
5089	FOP Black Diamond Lodge, Police Dues (May)	48.00
5090	Miners Bank, Federal Payroll Tax Deposit	<u>1,996.96</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 5,055.63

SWIMMING POOL FUND:

1298	P.P. & L. Co., utilities	5.25
1299	Direct Energy, utilities	<u>23.90</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 29.15

There being no further business Donmoyer and Fisher motion to adjourn from the regular meeting at 8:01 p.m. All in favor.

ATTEST

PRESIDENT

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