

May 13, 2008

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

Council members attending were: Laine R. Mack Jr., John Mease, Carl Wiscount, Robert Donmoyer, Roger M. Adams, and George Schaeffer. Also attending: Secretary Cheryl Mack, Mayor William Allar, Road Supervisor William Mindler, Police Chief Michael Conway, Reporters: Stephanie LaSota and Joan Schwer; citizens Fred Scheibley, Tom Schwartz, James Koppenhaver, Pryce Parker, and Dorothy Barry.

Schaeffer and Adams motion to accept the minutes of the April 08, 2008 Regular Meeting. All in favor.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: Nothing to report.

COMMUNICATIONS: Dan Daub requested the Police Dept. place flares to slow traffic near the Tremont Nursing Home on Wednesday, May 14 from noon until 2:00 p.m. as the Home is having their annual pig roast event. The Mayor will have the police place the flares as requested. Mr. Daub also extended an invitation to all of the Borough Council and the Mayor to attend this event.

No action was taken on East Brunswick Township's request for the Borough to enact a Resolution of support for their right to self-govern issues that directly affect their local citizens in regard to a Sewage Sludge Ordinance enacted by the Township but being challenged by the PA Attorney General's office.

Schaeffer and Donmoyer motion to grant permission of use of the Robert "Pete" Wiscount Veteran's Memorial Park on Sunday, May 25th for a Memorial Day Service sponsored by the T.C.O. to begin at 1:00 p.m. All in favor. Mr. Huntzinger also extended an invitation to Council and the Mayor to be honored guests at this service.

Philip Kintzel offered to pay all of the costs associated with the opening of a small portion of Green Street from Crescent Street to the Kintzel's private property line so that he has access to his property. Mease and Adams motion to enter into this agreement with Kintzel. Roll call vote. All in favor.

Borough Council regretfully had to deny the request of the Tremont Fire Co. #1's Community Band to use the Clay Street building auditorium for their annual Memorial Day concert on Saturday, May 24th. The auditorium is undergoing construction repairs in the final phase of renovations and is currently unusable.

No objections or action was taken on PSAB's "proposed" changes that they intend to make to their constitution.

Having completed the proper application and paying the required \$ 100.00 fee, Donmoyer and Schaeffer motion to allow a handicap sign to be erected at the John Bebelheimer residence. Roll call vote. All in favor.

Donmoyer and Adams motion to allow Secretary Mack to comply with Judy Graver's request to send letters to Endless Mountain Community Services, Congressman Tim Holden, Senator James Rhoades, and Representative Tim Seip regarding Ms. Graver's grant application for funding for the Tremont/Donaldson Senior Citizen Housing Rehab Program. All in favor.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Mease and Schaeffer motion to enter into a Police Agreement with Frailey Township beginning on May 25, 2008, whereby our police will provide twenty (20) hours of police protection to the township at a reimbursable cost of

\$ 65.00 per hour. Roll call vote. All in favor.

Solicitor Hobbs suggested that the Borough have Mr. Kintzel sign a “Hold Harmless” agreement in regards to the opening of a portion of Green Street.

The language in the “Proposed” Lease Agreement with the Schuylkill County IU-29 has been prepared and a copy of it will be sent to Frank Woodward of the IU prior to their board meeting so that they can take action on it.

PUBLIC UTILITY & STREETS: Due to the escalator clause in the current road project’s contract which allows the contractor to increase fees when the cost of materials increases by more than 10% there will be an anticipated increase in the total cost of the project by approximately \$ 9,000.00. Since this is more than our current funding allows, Donmoyer and Mease motion to request a Change Order Agreement with the contractor to delete a portion of Line Street (from the Laurel Street Bridge to Union Street) from the project. Roll call vote. All in favor.

Mindler stated that the contractor will be starting the project on Clay Street on Monday, May 19th and no parking signs will be posted on each street a day prior to construction.

PROPERTY: Donmoyer reported that the renovations to the gym should be completed in a few weeks. He also noted that he is awaiting a response from three contractors that he spoke with concerning providing quotes to complete the minor repairs to the Clay Street Community Room.

Secretary Mack spoke to acknowledge the dedicated group of volunteers that completed the painting of the foundation walls around the entire exterior of the Clay Street building. These were Carl Wiscount, Robert Donmoyer, William Allar, Clyde Ney, and Ralph Hatter.

MAYOR’S REPORT: Mayor Allar will make arrangements to have the police sworn in as officers for Frailey Township by District Magistrate Carol Pankake.

LAW & ORDER: Chief Conway presented a written report for April noting 37 incidents, 3 arrests, and no court appearance. Officer Kavanaugh presented a written report noting 32 incidents, 8 arrests, and 1 court hearing. Kavanaugh also noted 6 assists to other Police Departments and 4 requests to assist with EMS calls.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY: Our EMA Coordinator Pryce Parker announced a meeting that is planned for Wednesday, May 28th beginning at 6:30 p.m. to update the Borough’s Emergency Operations Plan. In this same regard, Adams and Schaeffer motion to adopt the Promulgation of EOP Plan for Tremont Borough. All in favor. Adams asked Parker if he would look into grant funding to purchase additional AED devices (defibrillators) for the police vehicles and the swimming pool.

Fire Chief James Koppenhaver provided reports noting 4 calls in February, 17 calls for March, and 2 calls for April.

Koppenhaver stated that the Fire Company’s understanding of our workmens compensation coverage is that the coverage could be denied for injuries during parades if the Borough’s official minutes do not show that Council authorized the parade participation. Secretary Mack suggested that the fire company submit a written request when parade participation is planned and she will include the request under the Communication portion of our meeting. Any action taken on this request will then be recorded and included in the official minutes of that meeting. This will eliminate any

doubt for coverage. Mr. Koppenhaver announced that the fire company's annual car show is being planned for August 17th.

RECREATION & EDUCATION: Wiscount noted that the paint and chemicals have been delivered and work will begin on getting the pool painted within a few days. Wiscount will provide advance scheduling notice to the fire company for using the pumper truck to wash out the pool.

The recreation committee will be interviewing the four applicants for the two lifeguard positions on Wednesday, May 14th. None of the applicants have their lifeguard certifications. On this matter, Mease and Wiscount motion to reimburse the two lifeguards that get hired by the Borough the cost of their certification classes and testing as long as they commit to serving the full season to the Borough. Roll call vote. All in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mease and Donmoyer motion to accept the report as prepared by C. Mack. Roll call vote. All in favor.

FINANCE: Secretary Mack noted that she received the Liquid Fuels Audit Report and it will be held in the Borough files for public review. Also, now that our tax monies are coming in the one mill (or \$ 14,750.00) allocation for fire protection will be transferred from our PLGIT General Savings account to our PLGIT Fire Department Fund account.

OLD BUSINESS: L. Mack stated that arrangements are being made with the volunteers that are planning for the construction of the restroom at the pool.

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing to report.

RECEIPTS:GENERAL ACCOUNT: District Magistrate Carol Pankake: \$ 59.73, Vio. @ Ordinances and \$ 107.76, Vio. @ Veh. Code; Senior Citizens: \$80.00, Rent (April); Tremont Library: \$ 200.00, rent (May); Diakon Lutheran Social Services: \$ 873.33, rent (April); Richard Kintzel: \$ 35,369.61, Real Estate taxes and \$ 1,249.50, Per Capita; Sch. County Court: \$ 22.49, Vio, @ Ordinances; Real Estate Transfer: \$ 649.25, taxes; Berkheimer: \$ 44.00, delinquent Per Capita; Dumpster Permit: \$ 50.00; Bonnie Kupp: \$ 300.00, rent (April); Tremont Historical Society: \$ 300.00, rent @ 2nd Qtr.; Sch. County: \$ 3,790.00, rent (April & May); Road & School: \$ 372.07, delinq. R.E. taxes; Sch. Co. Election Bureau: \$ 80.00, rent; IU-29: \$ 2,496.00, reimb. @ prior utilities; Frailey Twp.: \$ 1,290.72, reimb. @ salt supply; Misc.: \$ 202.00, reimb. Transaction: NOW Account Interest \$ 9.59 (April);

TOTAL = \$ 47,546.05

PLGIT: EIT: \$ 8,168.85; EMS/OPT: -0-; Interest: \$ 156.12, (April);

TOTAL = \$ 8,012.73

PAYROLL: \$ 25,477.69: Transferred from General Account (April); Reimbursement @ PA Dept. of Revenue: \$ 1,414.16: NOW Account Interest: \$ 1.35 (April);

TOTAL = \$ 26,893.20

PLGIT FIRE DEPT. FUND: Interest: \$ 17.30 (April);

TOTAL = \$ 17.30

PLGIT HIGHWAY AID FUND: Liquid Fuels Allocation: \$ 36,654.95;
Interest: \$ 9.29 (April);

TOTAL = \$ 36,744.24

LANDFILL ACCOUNT: Interest: \$ 9.58, (April);

TOTAL \$ 9.58

STREET RECONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT: Interest: \$ 266.92 (April);

TOTAL = \$ 266.92

POLICE PENSION FUND: Interest: \$.06, (April);

TOTAL = \$.06

SWIMMING POOL FUND: Cash Receipts: \$ 1,025.00 (April);

TOTAL = \$ 1,025.00

CLAY STREET BUILDING FUND: Interest: \$ 103.64 (April);

TOTAL = \$ 103.64

EXPENDITURES: Donmoyer and Schaeffer motion to approve payment of the following expenditures. Roll call vote. All in favor. General Fund: \$ 60,259.79; Highway Aid: \$ 246.88; Fire Dept. Fund: \$ 653.37; Payroll Fund: \$ 7,384.89; Swimming Pool Fund: \$ 7,439.87; PLGIT General Account Fund: \$ 14,750.00:

EFT	Yahoo, website fee	12.94
6332	Tremont Postmaster, stamps	41.00
6333	Werner's Lumber Co., supplies	12.03
6334	Pribilla's. supplies	206.50
6335	Capital Blue Cross, monthly	1,034.09
6336	Berkheimer, services	210.48
6337	SMA, utilities	358.57
6338	P.P. & L. Co., utilities	3,019.12
6339	Frontier Tele. Co., services	262.52
6340	Tremont Library, internet fees	20.00
6341	Harleysville Life Ins., council premium	8.59
6342	Potts & Monger, garbage removal	60.00
6343	Mid Penn Bank, loan	873.21
6344	SMA, sewer utilities	90.00
6345	Lewis Moyer, health officer	59.68
6346	Ehrlich, monthly service fee	105.00
6347	Petty Cash, misc. allocation	125.00
6348	Pryce Parker, Police & Lifeguard CPR Certs.	75.00
6349	E.T. Trophy Shop, Griffiths' Bronz Plaque	435.00
6350	Kreiser's Fuel, monthly	614.97
6351	Atty. Chris Hobbs, solicitor fees	533.17

6352	South Sch. Publishing, ad @ audit	145.00
6353	Central Penn Paper, supplies	29.25
6354	Sch. Co. Treasurer, per capita tax bills	198.56
6355	Carisa's Cleaning Service, custodian fees	450.00
6356	PSAB, BMC renewal fee	10.00
6357	Sage Software, accounting software	629.95
6358	Kane Steel, highway supplies	568.16
6359	Jerdon Welding, highway repairs	72.00
6360	PLGIT General Savings Acct., transfer	<u>50,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 60,259.79

FIRE DEPT FUND:

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

PAYROLL FUND:

EFT	PA Dept of Revenue, State Payroll Tax	193.42
4536	Minersville Safe Deposit Bank, Federal Payroll Tax Deposit	1,970.88
4543	FOP Black Diamond Lodge, Police Dues (May)	40.00
4544	Minersville Safe Deposit Bank, Federal Payroll Tax Deposit	2,715.02
EFT	PA Dept of Revenue, State Payroll Tax	283.10
4551	Minersville Safe Deposit Bank, Federal Payroll Tax Deposit	1,987.10
EFT	PA Dept of Revenue, State Payroll Tax	<u>195.37</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 7,384.89

SWIMMING POOL FUND:

1201	Pottsville Republican, ad @ lifeguards	293.65
1202	Miller's Dist., concessions	173.29
1203	P. P. L. Co, electric @ pool	10.93
1204	Comm. Of PA, applicators license @ Fisher	10.00
1205	Miracle Recreation, pool slide	<u>6,952.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 7,439.87

PLGIT GENERAL ACCOUNT:

EFT	PLGIT Fire Dept. Fund Account, transfer	<u>14,750.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 14,750.00

PLGIT HIGHWAY AID ACCOUNT:

421 Ken's Tire's, tires @ 04 Ford Dump Tk.		<u>246.88</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 246.88

There being no further business Adams and Wiscount motion to adjourn from the regular meeting at 7:40 p.m. All in favor.

ATTEST

PRESIDENT

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