

Manheim Borough Council Meeting  
March 9, 2010

**Roll Call:** Vice President Doug Shaub, Pro-Tempore Philip Enterline, John Eshelman, Susan Miller and Mayor Eric Phillips

**Staff:** Matthew Parido, Borough Manager, Linda Gerhart, Recording Secretary and Police Chief Barry Weidman

Vice President Doug Shaub convened the council meeting at 7:00 PM.

**Approval of the February 23rd Minutes:**

- A Motion was moved by Mr. Enterline to approve the Minutes of the February 23, 2010 meeting. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Eshelman and passed unanimously.

**Financial Reports:**

- A Motion was moved by Mr. Eshelman to accept the voucher list in the amount of \$42,007.40. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Enterline and passed unanimously.

A request to draw loan funds for the Public Works Building Project in the amount of \$3,823.05 was presented for approval.

- A Motion was moved by Mr. Enterline to approve the request to draw loan funds in the amount of \$3,823.05. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Eshelman and passed unanimously.

**Mayor and Police Report:** (see attached News Release)

- Chief Weidman presented his report and noted that the decrease in numbers for February may be due to the snowstorms.
- It was noted that Rapho Township sent their first quarter donation for the services the Police Department provides when called for assistance.
- Parking issues due to the snowstorms are being addressed as things are returning to normal and parking will again be available.
- Mayor Phillips presented a write-up from the Central Penn Business Journal highlighting the new businesses in the borough. Split Ends will hold their ribbon-cutting ceremony on March 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Mayor Phillips gave a brief update of his meeting with Mayor Chuck Mummert of Elizabethtown. Mayor Mummert's occupation is organizing youth mission work camps for home repairs. He gave a brief overview of how this organization operates and the benefits and fundraising requirements involved in having them spend a week doing repairs in the borough for the elderly, low income, underprivileged, etc. Council indicated that they would support the mayor in this project.

**Borough Managers Report:** (see attached)

- The organization meeting for the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Executive Committee will be held on Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at the Zion Lutheran Church at 6:00 PM.
- The toilets in the borough building are going to be replaced to eliminate continuous plumbing problems.
- This year the street sweeping will be done by the streets department. We will be renting a street cleaner for the whole week sometime in May in an effort to do every street in the borough.

- At the next council meeting on March 30<sup>th</sup> the construction drawings for Public Works building will be available for review.
- Mr. Parido reported that he had a meeting this morning with 4 representatives of Municipal Emergency Managers (MEM), our street light maintenance company, and Mike Davis the borough solicitor. They reviewed our contract, projected cost savings and the current status of the negotiations with PPL. MEM will be attending the next council meeting to give a brief presentation on the status of the program.
- Mayor Phillips extended a thank you to the streets department for completing the final removal of all the Christmas tree items on the square.

#### **New Business:**

- Mr. Parido discussed the formation of a Public Safety Facility Committee to formulate a plan and present options to council as to the direction that the borough needs to go with a Police Facility. The committee will consist of 2 council members, 2 police officers and anyone who council would consider knowledgeable in this field. The committee would look into the cost of a facility, best location and what current needs should be met. Mr. Shaub and Mr. Eshelman volunteered to be the representatives from council to serve on this committee. Chief Weidman will notify council as to who will be representing the police department. This will be a project for consideration in 2011. Mr. Parido is currently checking into available grants with Rebecca Denlinger from Rettew Associates.
- A letter dated February 23, 2010 was received from the Police concerning the Police Collective Bargaining Agreement. This correspondence will be discussed at the executive session being held after the regular council meeting.

#### **Old Business:**

- Mr. Parido explained a different approach that he is offering for consideration concerning the building security project. He is suggesting that it be done as one project instead of the two phases that were originally discussed. Mr. Parido is doing further research with a few more security companies to check and see if this project in its entirety could possibly cost less than the bidding threshold of \$10,000. If we do not need to bid this project, Mr. Parido will then pursue the avenue of soliciting quotes. After discussion it was decided to gather information for the complete scope of the project and proceed with Mr. Parido's suggested direction to get quotes for both phases.

#### **Council Reports:**

- The potholes are being repaired as they are reported. The borough streets are being handled by the streets department and the PennDOT potholes are being reported to the Lancaster Maintenance District.
- A lane shift has been made at 5 Points for traffic control.
- The pillars for the new bridge on Fruitville Pike are in place.
- The borough has received the approved drawings for the drainage work on the North side of East High Street from PennDOT. The supplies to be provided by PennDOT will be delivered soon and Mr. Parido will be getting quotes for the labor portion, with some of the work being provided by our street department.

#### **Executive Session:**

- A Motion was moved by Mr. Eshelman to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss personnel issues at 7:40 PM. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Enterline and passed unanimously.

- The Council returned from Executive Session at 8:40 PM.

**Adjournment:**

- A Motion was moved by Ms. Miller to adjourn at 8:41PM. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Eshelman and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Gerhart