

**MINUTES OF DUBLIN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER: The Monday April 27th Council Meeting was held in Borough Hall at 119 Maple Avenue, Dublin, and called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Council President Jeffrey Sharer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor:	Chris Hayes	
Council:	John Munley	Jamie Priester *
	Robert Pavlek	Brent Smith
	Jeffrey Sharer	Gary Mast *
	Matthew Mayes	

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Borough Manager:	William Wert
Borough Solicitor:	Michael Kracht, Esq.
Borough Engineer:	Thomas F. Zarko, P.E.
Police Chief	Brian Lehman
Fire Chief	Kevin Nugent *

* Not present

**late arrival

VISITORS REGISTERED: Frank Knisley – 106 North Main Street, Florence Rodgers - 114 South Main Street, David Tempesta – 117 Deep Run Road, Dan Rymdeika – 114 Deep Run Road, Phil Meyers - North Main Street.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Michael Kracht announced for the record that Council would be adjourning at 7:30 p.m. for an executive session to discuss potential litigation. Council reconvened at 8:00 p.m.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS: None.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – April 13, 2015: **ON A MOTION** by Matt Mayes, seconded by John Munley, all present voted in favor to approve the minutes of the April 13th, 2015 Council Meeting. **Motion carried 5-0.**

April 24, 2015 BILLS LIST: Mr. Wert presented to Council for approval the current bills list dated April 24th, 2015. After some discussion and questions, **ON A MOTION** by Robert Pavlek, seconded by Brent Smith, all present voted in favor to approve the bills list of April 24th, 2015. **Motion carried 5-0.**

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- 1) **Water Meter Replacement Contract Award:** Two residential water meter replacement bid proposals were received on April 23rd. Recommendation is to award the contract to the lowest bidder, Lenegan Plumbing & Heating, LLC. From Ocean City, New Jersey at a price of \$39,389. Replacement should take place in the third quarter of this year. Residential access is required and will be coordinated by the contractor. The bid came in slightly under budget.

After questions and discussion, **ON A MOTION** by Robert Pavlek, seconded by John Munley, all present voted in favor of awarding the contract to Lenegan Plumbing & Heating LLC in the amount of \$39,389. **Motion carried 5-0.**

2) Street Improvement Fund Stormwater Repairs:

- a. Rickerts Road (East): Cost estimate and preliminary assessment for repair and drainage swale construction have been completed. Estimated cost for repairs is \$20,000, \$25,000 for a swale, and a 15 foot temporary easement; totaling \$ 56,000. Bid documents need to be prepared if interested. Mr. Kracht recommended to first contact the owner Mr. Moyer to discuss the necessary temporary easement and advise Council at next meeting of his position. Issue was tabled until next meeting.
 - b. Elephant Road Sinkhole: A large sinkhole has developed on Elephant Road right at the edge of the pavement due to a 30" metal storm water pipe which has rotted away on the bottom. A metal plate has stabilized the area but repairs are needed soon. Senator McIlhinney and PennDOT have been contacted for assistance. Discussion occurred about the state of the road, how best to repair it, and who is responsible. QNB informed Mr. Wert that Dublin may borrow \$100,000 for 10 years at a cost of \$950 per month in order to maintain the Street Fund balance and cover repairs. Mr. Wert will update Council at the next meeting regarding documents he has requested from Penn DOT detailing which entity is responsible to pay for this type of repair project.
- 3) Temporary Construction Easement-Bridge Replacement: Arrow Engineering working on behalf of the county has requested a 2,600 square foot easement to replace the bridge on Stonebridge Road near the sewer plant due to deterioration. The bridge will be widened to two lanes with no weight restrictions and will be repaired in Fall 2016. Mr. Wert requested authorization to execute intergovernmental agreements including slight amendments and to waive the \$500 easement purchase price.

After some discussion, **ON A MOTION** by John Munley, seconded by Matt Mayes, all present voted to authorize the agreement pending amendments, and to waive the \$500 temporary easement purchase price. **Motion carried 5-0.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Potential litigation from the executive session was discussed, regarding the EPA TCE superfund site. The EPA is proposing a change from in-situ treatment to the pump and treat method. The EPA will hold a one month public comment period beginning April 27th and a public meeting will be held at Dublin Borough on May 14th from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mr. Kracht recommended engaging the professional services of an environmental lawyer and a hydro-geologist in order to protect and represent the interests of Dublin Borough.

After some discussion and questions, **ON A MOTION** by Robert Pavlek, seconded by Brent Smith, all present voted to engage the professional services of Seth Cooley, of Duane Morris LLP. **Motion carried 5-0.**

ON A MOTION by John Munley, seconded by Brent Smith, all present voted to engage the professional services of hydro-geologist David Fennimore. **Motion carried 5-0.**

2. The Community Development Block Grant has been announced for 2015. The application deadline for this \$1.3 million competitive grant is May 8th. Discussion ensued about what types of projects could be considered eligible for the grant and if the tight deadline allows for a submission.

ON A MOTION by Robert Pavlek, seconded by Brent Smith, all present voted to

authorize applying for the grant to be used for crosswalks or street lights, whichever is most appropriate. **Motion carried 5-0.**

3. Chief Lehman presented a proposal to purchase a 2008 unmarked Crown Victoria police car from Warrington Township for \$1,000 plus cost of registration. Discussion occurred regarding useful life of the vehicle and resale options.

ON A MOTION by Brent Smith, seconded by Matt Mayes, all present voted in favor to authorize purchase of the 2008 Crown Victoria for \$1,000 plus cost of registration. **Motion carried 5-0.**

COMMUNITY COMMENTS: Phil Meyers questioned the solicitor as to what actions are involved with the pump and treat method for the TCE superfund site. The solicitor explained that groundwater is pumped out and treated then discharged into streams, not put back into the ground. Frank Knisely asked when the commercial water meters will be installed. Mr. Zarko confirmed that they will be installed in the third quarter of 2015. Mr. Knisely also inquired as to whether a temporary "sleeving" of the damaged Elephant Road pipe might be helpful. Mr. Zarko replied that due to the amount of excavation involved, this method would not be beneficial.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL: None.

ADJOURNMENT: **ON A MOTION** by Brent Smith, Mr. Sharer declared the meeting adjourned at 8:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Date Approved: _____

William Wert,
Manager/Secretary/Treasurer