

COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF WEST MIFFLIN met in regular session in the Municipal Building Council Chambers on Tuesday, January 15, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. prevailing time with President William Welsh presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Falce	Present	Olasz	Present
Jabbour	Present	Popovich	Present
Munsie	Present	Stephenson	Present
Welsh	Present		

Seven members present, absent none. Mayor Andzelik present.

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

John Koczko of 4333 Everlawn Street questioned how much money Mr. Adams firm made on the Carrousel Lounge case. Mr. Welsh stated that this is not an Agenda Item and requested that Mr. Koczka be seated.

Diane Stanesic of 2803 Glenny Lane Extension questioned why Agenda Item A was not advertised. Mr. Bednar replied that it is not a requirement to advertise for positions on any board or commission. He stated that his recommendation to Council is that if Council is pleased with the person's service, then that person should be re-appointed if so desired. Mr. Welsh stated that this appointment was discussed at Caucus and Council chose to have his name on the Agenda since he did a good job for the last year he was on the WMSSMA Board. Under Payment of Bills, Ms. Stanesic questioned how the bills are approved. Mr. Bednar stated that he and Ms. Finnegan sign off on them and provide Council with the check register. Ms. Stanesic questioned whether Council gets any of the supporting documentation. Mr. Bednar stated that if it's available and is requested they get a copy; however a request for any documentation on legal issues must be requested by all of Council.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Motion by Jabbour, seconded by Falce that all bills properly approved by the Finance Committee be paid. Under remarks, Mr. Stephenson questioned when it was that the procedure for approving the bills had changed. Mr. Welsh stated that it changed when the Council Committees were eliminated, including the Finance Committee. Mr. Welsh said that Mr. Bednar and Ms. Finnegan now approve the bills and that prior to this the procedure was that the Finance Committee signed a copy of the check to approve the bill. Mr. Stephenson stated that he was not notified of this. Mr. Welsh stated that five other Council Members were aware of the change. Mr. Stephenson questioned if it is legal to follow the new procedure. Mr. Adams stated that it is Council's prerogative on how they want the procedure to work and that the procedure they chose is legal as long as every Council person has access to the bills. Roll Call: Five ayes, two nays (Olasz, Stephenson). Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. Motion** by Popovich, seconded by Jabbour re-appointing Rick Manspeaker to a five (5) year term on the West Mifflin Sanitary Sewer Municipal Authority. Term to run through the first Monday of 2013. Roll Call: Five ayes, one nay (Olasz), one abstention (Welsh). Motion carried.
- B. Motion** by Popovich, seconded by Falce approving payment from the assets of the appropriate pension plan of the following invoices from Rhoads & Wodarczyk for the work on the Police and Employees Pension plans:
Employees: Invoice # 6231 - \$2,109.00
Invoice # 6293 - \$ 436.03
Police: Invoice # 6230 - \$2,109.00
Invoice # 6292 - \$ 436.03
Roll Call: Six ayes, one nay (Olasz). Motion carried.
- C. Motion** by Popovich, seconded by Jabbour awarding the contract for audit services for the fiscal years 2007, 2008 and 2009 to Hosack, Specht, Muetzel & Wood. Roll Call: Seven ayes, no nays. Motion carried.
- D. Motion** by Jabbour, seconded by Falce authorizing the purchase of one (1) new 2008 Chevrolet police vehicle from Day Fleet Sales through the Central Westmoreland Council of Governments Cooperative Purchasing Program 07-MV-007-008 for a net price of \$11,638 after the trade-in of a 1997 Chevrolet Tahoe designated as police vehicle #202 payment from the Federal Forfeiture Assets Fund. Roll Call: Seven ayes, no nays. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Building Inspection..... Walter B. Anthony

Mr. Anthony read the Building Inspector’s Report for the month of December 2007.

Finance..... Virginia Finnegan

Ms. Finnegan read the Finance Report for the month of December 2007.

Police..... Joseph Popovich

Chief Popovich read the Police Department Report for the month of December 2007.

Public Works..... James Hess

Mr. Hess read the Public Works Department Report for the month of December 2007.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR:

Mayor Andzelik thanked everyone who participated in the pre meeting presentations.

Mayor Andzelik reported that 10 winners will receive plaques for the Holiday Home Decorating Contest at the February 19, 2008 Council Meeting.

Mayor Andzelik reported that he attended last week's meeting hosted by Allegheny County Executive Dan Onorato to promote regional legislative support for the MonFayette Expressway. He stated that business leaders expressed their concern about finishing the highway and that it is very important to the valley.

REPORT OF THE SOLICITOR:

Motion by Olasz, seconded by Munsie to suspend the Rules of Conduct for Legislative Meetings for the purpose of authorizing the Borough Manager set up a negotiating session with Kennywood Park. Under remarks, Mr. Munsie stated that he feels the Borough should make some kind of effort to negotiate. Roll Call: Three ayes, four nays (Falce, Jabbour, Popovich, Welsh). Motion failed.

REPORT OF THE ENGINEER:

No report.

REPORT OF THE BOROUGH MANAGER:

No report.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Jabbour, seconded by Popovich that the Meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m. prevailing time.