



BOROUGH OF DORMONT

EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:00 PM

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE DORMONT BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2013 7:00PM
IN THE DORMONT MUNICIPAL CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

McCartney stated that the same personnel matter that was voted on last month, relative to suspension for one of our Police Officers for disciplinary reasons was discussed again at tonight's Executive Session.

Council President McCartney called the meeting of the Dormont Borough Council to order at 7:10 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

The following members of Council responded to roll call:

John Maggio, Onnie Costanzo, Joan Hodson, Val Martino, Bill McCartney

Also present: Jeffrey Naftal, Manager
John Rushford, Borough Solicitor
Chief Mike Bisignani
Mayor Tom Lloyd

REGISTERED COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Scout Master of Troop 23 for Dormont, Darren Frederick and Senior Patrol Leader, Jacob Jones RE: Boy Scout Troop 23, chartered to Dormont United Methodist Church, has served the community for 86 years, part of our service is doing the flags up and flags down on West Liberty Avenue, flags get damaged occasionally due to wear and tear, raised \$1,800.00 in last

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Costanzo, second by Hodson to accept Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, D, E (A. Motion to accept the written report of the Borough Solicitor, B. Motion to approve the written reports of Borough Officials, C. Motion to approve the Minutes of the June 3, 2013 Council Business Meeting, D. Motion to approve the Warrant List for June, 2013, E. Motion to approve payment of \$7,177.10 as final payment to Jet Jack, Inc. for SHACOG O&M Preventative Maintenance). Roll Call: Maggio, No; Costanzo, Yes; Hodson, Yes; Martino, Yes; McCartney, Yes. Motion Carried 4-1.

ACTION ITEMS

Council President opened PUBLIC HEARING.

McCartney asked if there was anyone who would like to speak about Action Item A, Approval of Conditional Use for a front yard fence at 1456 Park Boulevard.

Martino questioned the material used for the fence. McCartney stated it is a picket fence, a continuation of the fence in the backyard.

Hodson stated that the applicants name is spelled three different ways in the report.

Costanzo stated that it is a white cedar fence.

John Rushford stated for the record that this Public Hearing was advertised and the property was posted.

There were no public comments.

Council President closed PUBLIC HEARING.

Motion by Martino, second by Onnie to approve a Conditional Use for a front yard fence at 1456 Park Boulevard. Roll Call: Maggio, Yes; Costanzo, Yes; Hodson, Yes; Martino, No. McCartney, Yes. Motion carried 4-1.

Motion by Martino, second by Hodson to approve a temporary sign permit for a special event sign for the AARP Pancake Breakfast to be held on October 5, 2013. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Lloyd stated that the Bethany Lutheran Church is having a Rummage Sale Saturday, September 21 and the proceeds will be sent to the Friends of Dormont Pool and the Hollywood Theater.

McCartney stated that the Library is reinstating the House Tour this October.

Motion by Martino, second by Hodson to approve a Residential Accessible Parking Space for one year for Mr. Lawrence Focareta at 1675 Hillsdale Avenue. Hodson stated that some of the questions asked by the committee were brutal. Will all other applicants be reviewed to be renewed? Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Hodson, second by Costanzo to award the 39th Year CDBG project bid to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Pampera Landscape & Construction, Inc., for a cost of \$75,225.00 with \$11,225.00 to be the match by the Borough as detailed in the Staff report. *Hodson stated for the record that the grant is for \$64,000.00 and the Borough is responsible for the remaining balance of \$11,225.00.* Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Costanzo, second by Hodson to authorize the Borough Manager to sign the 2014 Minimum Municipal Obligations for the Police and Non-Uniform Pension Plans. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Hodson, second by Martino to authorize the Borough Manager to execute contracts with the three bands playing at Street Fair and to make payment to them after their performances as outlined in the staff report. *Hodson stated that there are a total of 3 bands and they will all be paid \$1,000.00 apiece. The bands are as follows: Masters of the Universe, the Justin Fabus Band and King's Ransom.* Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Hodson, second by Costanzo to approve revisions to the Traffic Calming Policy to streamline the process. Motion Carried 5-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Update on West Liberty Avenue Redevelopment: Naftal stated that the RFP for the Transportation Oriented Development proposals are due by next Friday, the 13th. Naftal stated that he already spoke with two different developers who are very interested in the project. Signage was posted on Friday at the new parking lot to inform that if you do not pay at the pay station when you park, you will be issued a ticket. Naftal said that our revenue is up, even though we have half of the spaces that we had at the Junction lot. About 65 percent of people are using credit cards and about 20 percent are using bills. The signs also have the hours of enforcement posted on them.

Update on Comprehensive Plan: Naftal stated that the Steering Committee is going to be having a meeting on the 19th of this month. Following that, in early October there will be another event at the Hollywood Theater and we will advertise heavily, as we did the last event. This time the consultant will be formulating recommendations, some of those recommendations will be put before the public and the public will have to weigh in on those recommendations. Naftal informed that there were about 100 people at the last event and that he is hoping to triple that this time around; he encourages the public to come to the event.

Road Construction Projects: Naftal stated that the Road Construction Projects are under way and moving fairly quickly. We are in process of milling and paving Biltmore, Belrose and Dormont Avenue. We also stated that sewer line work on Mervin Avenue; Mervin is a complete reconstruction and will include widening it by four feet. There is a storm water line

that used to run from Tolma to Mervin that runs underneath people's houses. The line was supposed to be capped off years ago and never was; we are in the process of capping it off and it will cost an extra \$500.00 on the contract but we do need to cap it off and prevent the storm water from running into people's houses.

Sanitation Contract: Naftal stated that the Sanitation Contract expires at the end of this year. SHACOG is going out for bids and the second add ran today to seek proposals for solid waste services for the various Municipalities that are participating with SHACOG, which includes Dormont. The bid openings are September 25th and once we get those bid openings then we have to evaluate all of the proposals and determine which service works best for us as a Borough. At the November meeting Naftal will be coming to Council and asking them for approval that will also determine how much money needs to go into the budget. Naftal stated that we expect Republic Services (Allied Waste) and Waste Management to be the two main bidders; there is a possibility that we will get one smaller bidder, but we will know better at the end of the month.

Budget Meeting Dates: Naftal stated that it is time to start the budget process. All of the departments have turned in their budget requests; Naftal is putting them all together so that he can work up some numbers. Naftal wants to schedule three public meetings like last year, one Expenditures, one on Capital and one on Revenues. Expenditures will be Wednesday, October 16th, Capital Improvements will be Monday, October 28th and Revenues will be Monday, November 18th.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Bert Lloyd, 2816 Voelkel Avenue RE: Keep the pool open until 4 pm on Labor Day next year.

Bob Hutchison, 1332 Illinois Avenue RE: Out of state plates with a permanent parking sticker and Rules of Order.

The Borough Solicitor, John Rushford, stated that the question of permanent residency does not require in state plates. The Borough cannot enforce PENNDOT's job to have people change their registration.

Rushford explained that with Roberts Rules of Order, anyone can make a motion to amend a motion.

Muriel Moreland, 2832 Espy Avenue RE: commended the police service.

Bob McLellan, 2705 Philadelphia Avenue RE: Construction on Kelton Avenue.

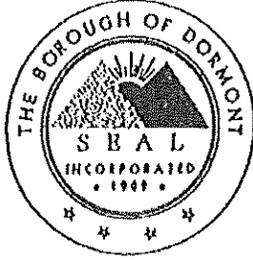
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rushford announced that they did move ahead and file on the two properties for Conservatorship Petitions. They were accepted by the court and will be set down for a hearing. These are two blighted homes in the Borough, one is located on Dormont Avenue

and the other is on Broadway Avenue, they are two nice homes with good structures. The court will give the home owners thirty days to respond which at that time if there is no response the court will hold a hearing, and appoint a conservator. If there is a response then we will also move ahead with the hearing and hear argument with that case. Rushford anticipates that we will know by September 30th and then move ahead quickly to schedule a date for court.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by McCartney, second by Hodson to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0.



BOROUGH OF DORMONT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Jeff Naftal
Borough Manager

THRU:

FROM: Patrick Kelly
Building Inspector / Code Enforcement Officer

DATE: October 3, 2013

SUBJECT: MONTHLY REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2013

CODE ENFORCEMENT

The following is a summary of our activities for September 2013. During the month of September the Borough received forty-eight (48) complaints relating to code enforcement and borough ordinances.

Of these:

- 2 were for animals
- 3 were for animals/rodent & pest
- 3 were for miscellaneous
- 5 were for no building permit
- 3 were for tree problems
- 2 were for accumulation of rubbish
- 3 were for exterior surfaces
- 14 were for high grass and weeds
- 2 were for foundation/retaining walls
- 6 were for abandon vehicles on property
- 1 was for an illegal fence
- 1 was for a garage inspection
- 1 was for an abandon property
- 1 was for an illegal parking pad
- 1 was for zoning-illegal use

Of the above mentioned cases:

Thirty-six (36) are active

Twelve (12) are resolved

YEAR TO DATE FOR COMPLAINTS
507 COMPLAINTS

Permit Activities

The following is a summary of the permit activities for the Borough for September 2013. The Borough issued one-hundred & three (103) licenses / permits relating to building / zoning for 2013:

Of these:

- 12 were for building permits
- 10 were for deed transfer
- 17 were for dye checks
- 6 were for occupancy permits
- 1 was for planning conditional use
- 34 were for PA1 calls
- 6 were for roof permits
- 15 were sidewalk opening permits
- 1 was for sign permits
- 1 was for zoning

The total estimated cost of permit related work was \$215,746.53. Per that amount the Borough collected \$5,157.50 in permit fees.

Year to date on permits.

TOTAL NUMBER OF PERMITS: 697

TOTAL ESTIMATED VALUE: \$7,263,460.70

TOTAL PERMIT FEE: \$86,383.87

AUGUST 2013

COMPLAINTS/VIOLATIONS OBSERVED:

ACTIONS TAKEN:

LETTERS SENT	<input type="text" value="35"/>
NOTICES ISSUED	<input type="text" value="35"/>
COMPLAINTS/VIOLATIONS RESOLVED	<input type="text" value="15"/>
COMPLAINTS/VIOLATIONS NOT RESOLVED	<input type="text" value="17"/>
CITATIONS ISSUED	<input type="text" value="12"/>

2013 YEARLY TOTALS:

CITATIONS AT MAGISTRAT AWAITING TRIAL

CITATIONS AT MAGISTRATE WITH A TRIAL DATE

APPEALS AWEAITING COURT OF COMMON PLEASE SCHEDULING

DORMONT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY ALARM SUMMARY

MONTH YEAR	TOTAL ALARMS	TOTAL DRILLS	TOTAL DAMAGES
September 2013	24	1	None

09/01/13	Lindsey@Hope Hollow	Structure Fire(Mutual Aid)	None
09/03/13	19 John St.	Structure Fire (Mutual Aid)	None
09/04/13	1419 Potomac Ave.	Dumpster Fire	None
09/04/13	485 Sleepy Hollow Rd.	Structure Fire(Mutual Aid)	None
09/05/13	2910 W.Liberty Ave.	False Alarm	None
09/06/13	3100 W. Liberty Ave.	Vehicle Accident	None
09/8/13	Pioneer@W. Liberty	Vehicle Accident	None
09/08/13	1141 Tennessee Ave.	False Alarm	None
09/09/13	1320 Kelton Ave.	False Alarm	None
09/13/13	2932 W. Liberty Ave.	Fluid Cleanup	None
09/13/13	2932 W. Liberty Ave.	Residential Lockout	None
09/14/13	1449 Potomac Ave.	False Alarm	None
09/16/13	1046 Biltmore Ave.	False Alarm	None
09/16/13	1455 Hillsdale Ave.	Dept. Drill	None
09/17/13	3225 W.Liberty Ave.	False Alarm	None
09/17/13	50 Standish Blvd	Structure Fire	None
09/18/13	2859 Espy Ave.	C O Alarm	None
09/18/13	1201 Peermont Ave.	Residential Lockout	None
09/19/13	101 Manorview	Structure Fire	None
09/20/13	2915 Belrose Ave.	False Alarm	None
09/21/13	1458 Park Blvd.	Odor Of Gas	None
09/24/13	2829 Espy Ave.	Illegal Burn	None
09/27/13	1320 Kelton Ave.	False Alarm	None
09/28/13	Hillsdale@Dell	Vehicle Accident	None
09/28/13	2874 W. Liberty Ave.	Vehicle Accident	None

DORMONT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY SUMMARY REPORT

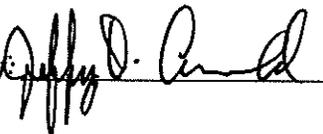
September 2013

<i>Total Alarms</i>	<i>24</i>
<i>Drills.</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>False Alarms.</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Alarms in Houses.</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Alarms in Buildings.</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Mutual Aid (Given to other Departments)</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Alarms Involving Automobiles and Trucks.</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Alarms Involving Brush, Rubbish, Misc.</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Day Alarms 06:00 AM. To 06:00 PM.</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>Night Alarms 06:00 PM. To 06:00 AM.</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Total Number of Volunteers at Alarms.</i>	<i>131</i>
<i>Total Number of Volunteers at Drills</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>Total Number of Apparatus Operators at Alarms.</i>	<i>34</i>
<i>Total Number of Apparatus Operators at Drills</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Estimated Value of Property Involved in Fires</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Estimated Property Lost Due to Fire</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Single Largest Fire Loss.</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Monthly Stipend</i>	<i>\$1,214.00</i>

**FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS OR RESIDENTS INJURED OR TREATED AT ALARMS
MUTUAL AID GIVEN OR RECEIVED**

13-0000218 Dormont Fire Assist Glendale Fire
13-0000219 Dormont Fire Assist Glendale Fire
13-0000221 Dormont Fire Assist Mt. Lebanon Fire
13-0000235 Dormont Fire Assist Mt. Lebanon Fire

Dormont Fire Chief:



Date: September 2013