

Lanesboro Council Meeting – May 16, 2007

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Roll Call - Dan Boughton, Regina Dilello, Myles Limbert, Bob Mireider, Bill Roberts, Stan Rockwell, Colleen Wilkes

Also Present – Gail Hanrahan, Boro Secy

Absent – Mayor Chris Maby

- 3) Action on minutes of previous meeting –

Motion – R. Dilello, 2nd by C. Wilkes to accept with correction of address.

- 4) Correspondence and Resolutions:

- Need to pass resolutions for County and Lanesboro Hazard Mitigation Plans. This resolution is needed to secure future FEMA / PEMA funding, in addition to providing access to buyout money for the Zeck and Welch properties. After discussion, motion by Dilello, 2nd by Limbert to pass. For - 5 Against - 2
- Scerenka property is going to be subdivided into 15 and 8-acre parcels. One of the parcels is being purchased by B&S to allow them to finish the road to 171. Council needs to approve the subdivision. Approval could be conditional, based upon something in writing provided to the council through the Planning Commission as to when the remainder of Jefferson St will be repaired and repaved. B&S agreed in the fall of 2004 to do this, at a meeting coordinated and chaired by Sandy Major. It is reasonable to think that this work can and should be done early this summer. The alternative would be to approve the subdivision and close the road until it is repaired, which is what was going to be done in 2004. After discussion, council agreed to sub-division with conditions. Vote - Unanimous

- 5) Mayor's Report:

- Update on realignment work at end of Mountain Road by Harmony Township – Maby last corresponded with potential buyer of Selke property on 5/9. The earliest the closing on the property can be is the beginning of June, due to a problem with the survey. No work can be started without discussion and approval by the buyer after the purchase. Topic to be tabled until next meeting, unless something allows for earlier start, at which Maby will ask for council to consider holding a special meeting.
- Right motor mount on the garbage truck broke on 5/12, while at the landfill. Rather than have truck towed (expensive), it was taken next door to the landfill to Sherwood Freightliner, Sterling, and Western Star, Inc. All three bolts broke inside the motor. Estimate of 30 hours to repair, unsure if it will be done in time for Saturday's garbage. Maby will coordinate dumpster dropoffs if it is not done. Truck repaired on time for garbage pickup.
- Maby invited to an all day Flood Summit meeting in LaPlume on June 8, planning to attend. The fee is \$10, and the program is put on by the Endless Mountains Resource Conservation and Development Council, several County Conservation Districts, Keystone

College, Senator Madigan's office and DEP, among others. Maby would like reimbursement for gas.

- All non-residential sewer accounts have been reviewed against the 1987 ordinance establishing how many units they are being charged for, and adjusted accordingly. Maby would like to investigate the possibility of selling the sewer, in an effort to eliminate debt and save Lanesboro from future problems in an area where there is no in-house expertise. The obvious potential buyer would be Tri-Boro, but he does not want to discuss with solicitor or potential buyers without concurrence from council. After discussion, Council agreed for Mayor Maby to set up a meeting with Tri-Boro. Many questions were left unanswered until after the meeting.
- The spreader was taken off the snowplow, and is now at Cleveland's for repairs to the crack in the frame. As soon as it is complete, patching will begin on all paved roads. The spreader is on a trailer that was donated by David Cina. Lanesboro purchased (4) railroad ties to elevate the spreader on the trailer so that it won't drag.
- Need permission to discuss cost of ditch and road shaping along Mountain Road. If Lanesboro can reach agreement with another municipality that has a grader (Harmony or Oakland Township), it does not have to be bid. Council agreed to discussion only.
- Would like to have Tim Tompkins install a new inlet and cross pipe on Jefferson St at the end of Enos White's driveway to eliminate water running down the street and ponding in front of Dale Rockwell's property. Also need permission from Stan Rockwell, as the outlet of the pipe will be distributing water toward his property. The slight increase in water heading toward Stan's property will be offset by deepening the ditch and lining it with rock until it goes underground again. Maby also noted this is a hazard mitigation area in which a request has already been forwarded to PEMA to take the entire drainage system underground. The proposed repairs to be made now will become part of the permanent solution, if approved by PEMA. After discussion, council agreed. Stan Rockwell agreed with reservations and questions.
- An individual came forward (through Tom Golka) with a donation of new surplus building material that can be used in the new building. Tom was able to secure enough tile flooring to do the police office, carpet for the municipal office, bulletproof glass, a shredder, and a large amount of ceiling tile.
- Jay & Bev Bills of Windsor NY donated some chain link fence for the soccer field – it will be used with other donations being secured by the Soccer Association along the property lines.
- Maby is participating on the Susquehanna County Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee as the Borough Council Representative. Several meetings have been held in developing the plan, which was adopted by Lanesboro earlier tonight and by the County in the next several days. Having this plan in place will allow Lanesboro and other municipalities to chase mitigation monies for problems such as the wet area that extends from Joe's General Store to Jefferson St without waiting for another disaster.
- The police have lined the roads for speed studies and are expecting to step up their efforts to enforce the speed limit. A request has been issued for a saturation visit by the state police, preferably on a weekend when there seems to be a large number of out-of-state

visitors who disregard the laws. The last round of paperwork has been signed for the \$30,000 grant for the new police car. We are waiting on funding, at which time the new car will be ordered. Council will then have to discuss what should be done with the old car, which has had several hundred dollars of repairs (ball joints, etc) over the last few weeks. The repairs have kept the car off the road until recently, which is why there have been fewer patrols. Options for the old car – sell it, or keep it as backup. Maby would prefer to sell it and use the money toward paying off the packer on the garbage truck. The police are now patrolling in Thomspen. A new policy is being written for how calls will be handled when our police are off duty. Effective immediately, all emergency calls that come in when someone is off duty are handled by the State Police. Non-emergent calls should be placed to 853.2911, so that a dispatcher can take the message and provide to the next officer on duty, which may not be for several days. A copy of this policy will be provided to the County Communications Center, State Police, and the School.

- 6) Code Enforcement – Pooler (Jail Hill) was issued a violation, and White (Jefferson St) was issued a verbal warning regarding the collection of “stuff” at the properties. Not much can be done without enforcement of zoning everywhere. Questions from visitors regarding enforcing ordinances all ready passed.

- 7) Unfinished business:
 - Advertising the new building – draft copy of new building design, a change from NY to PA stamping must be changed. Motion by Boughton, 2nd by Dilello to send design out to bid.

 - Potter property – Council agreed to contract an appraisal. Motion by Wilkes, 2nd by Dilello.

 - Bmets game – Mireider obtaining 50 tickets to game on June 23, 2007.

 - Rental ordinance- Discussed and tabled for June meeting.

- 8) New business:
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- 9) Visitors: Questions presented regarding new building cost and contractors. Codes questions raised regarding properties in the boro.

10) Adjournment – by , 2nd by ,