

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2008
6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Fred Bryan, Glenn Allen, Patrick Harrison, Steve Frye
Absent: Russ Kilmer, Bob Cleveland, Pat Longen

GUESTS PRESENT: Glenn Diehl, Pete Lau, Dave Friedman, Bill Reilly, Seth Blonder-Verizon, Alex Rahn-Verizon, Diane Sherry-Verizon

After the Pledge of Allegiance, President Bryan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING – VERIZON AGREEMENT

President Bryan opened the meeting to public comment on proposed Ordinance #221. There was no public comment.

President Bryan closed the Public Hearing.

ORDINANCE #221 – ADOPTION

President Bryan asked Council if there was any discussion on the Verizon Agreement. There was no discussion. President Bryan asked for a vote from Council. Patrick Harrison made a motion to approve Ordinance #221, sign the agreement and give to Verizon, and it will be effective when the signed agreement is returned to the Borough, 2nd by Steve Frye, motion carried.

EEMA REPORT

WATER LEAK

Bill Reilly said Master Locator's was out today and they did about 40% of the town and found no leaks. Mr. Reilly said he didn't know if doing the rest of the town would make much of a difference. Glenn Diehl asked if there could be a leak at the reservoir. Mr. Reilly said there could be a leak from the pump house to the reservoir and where it comes back down to the town. Mr. Diehl said there could be a tear in the liner. Pete Lau said MacCombie is going to have someone out on Thursday to look for leaks. Mr. Lau said Council approved \$2,000.00 and Master Locators charged \$1,250.00 and we are going to need more money approved if we have them come back. Glenn Diehl suggested getting a meter on the outbound line from the reservoir to measure what is being pumped out so we can find out if there is a leak in the liner. Patrick Harrison made a motion to allow EEMA to hire a company to come out and check the pipes up and down the reservoir, if that does not prove what we need, then approve EEMA for \$1200.00 to use Master Locator's to check Pennsylvania Avenue at night because of the truck traffic, 2nd by Glenn Allen, motion carried.

ROOF LEAK AT TREATMENT PLANT

Bill Reilly said he is having a hard time getting an estimate to repair the leak in the roof. Received one estimate to replace the whole roof for a cost of \$7,000. Steve Frye offered to take a look at the roof and if it can be repaired, he will patch it.

EPA DISINFECTION BYPRODUCT RULE

Steve Frye made a motion to approve EEMA to do the testing for the Disinfection Byproduct Rule, 2nd by Glenn Allen, motion carried.

EPWPCOA MEETING

Peter Lau said Council received a copy of the EPWPCOA meeting agreement that Avondale will support and to commit to having the meeting on May 15, 2009. Mr. Lau said it is a *feather in a cap* to Avondale to have the meeting here because they only pick the best plant to bring the operators in and demonstrate the new technology. Spoke to the fire company to see if they would be willing to have the dinner there so it can be an all Avondale affair. It costs the Borough nothing to have this event. Patrick Harrison made a motion to approve the President to sign the agreement, 2nd by Glenn Allen, motion carried.

WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE**409 HENSON STREET**

After discussion of the customer's water and sewer record history, Council asked Glenn Diehl recommendation.

Glenn Diehl said you have a meter that tested out that was okay or reading low. The meter would not be the cause of the spikes and recommends that she pay the full amount. If you start giving breaks to people that you don't believe deserve it, you are not being fair to the rest of the people.

Patrick Harrison made a motion not to give the customer at 409 Henson Street an adjustment and the customer is to pay the bill in full within 60 days, 2nd by Steve Frye, motion carried.

POLICE ADDENDUM

President Bryan said the Parkesburg Police Addendum allows them to work in the Borough past March 31st through December 31, 2008. The agreement that we already signed takes us to March 31, 2008 and this Addendum takes us from March 31st to the end of the year. Glenn Allen asked if it was still month to month. President Bryan said it is not month to month, it is until the end of the year. Mr. Allen asked if there were anymore discussions with New Garden. President Bryan said he has not had any discussion with them. As long as New Garden's cost is \$35.00 per hour higher than Parkesburg, we are not going to be able to go that way.

Glenn Allen made a motion to accept the Addendum, there was no second. President Bryan asked Council if there was a reason why you don't want to pass the Addendum.

Patrick Harrison said he was not happy with the police in town and he was hoping to work with New Garden. Mr. Harrison said that he was willing to accept the month to month hoping to have Russ out looking for other opportunities.

President Bryan said Russ Kilmer did get some costs to start our own police department but he doesn't want to go that way yet. President Bryan said Mr. Kilmer and he is for keeping the police. This matter will be tabled until the next meeting.

REVERSE 911

Patrick Harrison gave the following report:

Went to a conference at the Department of Emergency Services and they brought up some good issues. They have a reverse 911 system. Reverse 911 is a computer based phone system that can make multiple calls to deliver a pre-recorded message to a specific area of the County. Avondale residents can register their phone numbers and if an emergency is happening in their area, they would be contacted through the reverse 911 system. If the creek is expected to flood, the reverse 911 system would call those who registered to notify them of the flooding. The Borough would need someone from the Borough to notify the County to send out the 911. A suggestion would be to meet with John Haines, Deputy Director for

911 and tour the County Emergency Services facility and see what they have to offer and coordinate with Mr. Haines on getting something started for the Borough.

Glenn Allen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m., 2nd by Steve Frye, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary