

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 27, 2009
6:10 P.M.**

Members Present: Fred Bryan, Bob Cleveland, Steve Frye, Sali Cosford Parker
Absent: Glenn Allen, Pat Longen & Fred Hessenauer

Guests Present: Jamie MacCombie, Glenn Diehl, Bill Reilly, Pete Lau, Michelle Steele, Bill Shore, Brad Bernstein

After the Pledge of Allegiance, President Bryan called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

DELORES LAWLESS

Ms. Lawless asked if Council had a chance to review her written request. President Bryan said Ms. Lawless is requesting a return of her trash fees during the period of 12/24/08 through 4/8/09, and 07/1/09 through 9/30/09 when she was out of town. President Bryan told Ms. Lawless that she can choose either to have trash service or not have trash service; we can't offer trash service on a part time basis. Council agreed and there will be no fees returned to Ms. Lawless.

BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT

Jamie MacCombie gave the following report:

PROJECT FUND RELEASE – WILKINSON – CARILLON

Bob Cleveland made a motion to release \$138,536.12 from the projects escrow account, 2nd by Steve Frye, motion carried.

PROJECT FUND RELEASE – TECHNIVATE – I & I

Steve Frye made a motion to release \$44,376.53 from the projects escrow account, 2nd by Bob Cleveland, motion carried.

PROJECT FUND RELEASE – ANRICH

Bob Cleveland made a motion to release \$43,124.08 from the projects escrow account, 2nd by Steve Frye, motion carried.

STATE STREET WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

The Contractor failed to notify the residents regarding the paving and was postponed until yesterday, the 27th.

COUNTY GRANT APPLICATION

Dennis O'Neill from Mr. MacCombie's office attended a seminar at the County and the next application date for applying for a grant is December 11, 2009. The Borough is available for 95% reimbursement.

PECO GRANT APPLICATION

PECO is giving out Open Space Grants up to \$10,000 with a 50/50 cash match for the installation of trees. This application is due by January 15th if Council is interested.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

2010 BUDGET

Sali Cosford Parker made a motion to advertise the budget for the 10 day public review period, 2nd by Bob Cleveland, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES**COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 15, 2009**

Steve Frye made a motion to approve the minutes from September 15, 2009, 2nd by Sali Cosford Parker, motion carried.

COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 22, 2009

Not approved.

OLD BUSINESS**REPAIR OF INLETS**

The inlets at First and Chatham Streets and on Church Street that Council approved Technivate to repair have been completed. Bob Cleveland made a motion to approve the invoice of \$3,206.38 to Technivate, 2nd by Steve Frye, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS**WEBSITE**

Sali Cosford Parker said she has an idea about putting up the Borough's own website. Ms. Cosford Parker asked Council if she could do a design and get the costs for a new website. Council approved Ms. Cosford Parker to move forward with a proposal for Council.

COUNCIL WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A LEGAL MATTER AT 6:25 P.M.**PRESIDENT BRYAN BROUGHT THE MEETING BACK TO ORDER AT 7:50 P.M.****STATE STREET BRIDGE**

Sali Cosford Parker made a motion to approve up to \$5,000 for a structural engineer to look at the State Street Bridge, 2nd by Bob Cleveland, motion carried.

STRIP MALL ON BALTIMORE PIKE

Glenn Diehl read the proposal:

Proposal for four separate commercial leased spaces at Tony Tsaganos' (Owner) strip center at Baltimore Pike and Route 41:

1. Owner will post \$2,000 in administrative cost and the amount not used will be returned to owner.
2. Owner to pay one water and sewer tapping fee of \$6, 236.00.
3. The Borough will supply up to four meters at a cost of \$65.00 each.
4. The Owner will pay for the materials and installation of a meter pit located close to the existing curb stop.
5. The Owner will replace the service line with a service line that complies with all of the Borough's applicable regulations.
6. The Owner will be the Borough's sole customer for all water service provided to the property.
7. The Owner will be responsible to change the leases with the tenants stating that they will pay the Owner directly for water and sewer.
8. The Owner will have "as built" plans prepared and recorded at the property owner's expense, subject to the Borough's review. This cost will be part of the administrative costs not to exceed \$2,000.
9. A settlement agreement will be signed by the Mr. Tsaganos and the occupancy of the new space will not occur until all the monies are posted according to the agreement.

Steve Frye made a motion to accept the above proposal, 2nd by Bob Cleveland, motion carried.

Sali Cosford Parker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m., 2nd by Bob Cleveland, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary