

**AVONDALE BOROUGH
REORGANIZATION MEETING
JANUARY 2, 2006**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jay Pusey, Fred Bryan, Bob Cleveland, Pat Longen, Russ Kilmer, Patrick Harrison
Absent: Rose Ann Swift

GUESTS PRESENT: Mayor Howell, Howard Thompson, Harold Brown, Walter Barcz

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR TAKES OATH OF OFFICE

Judge Martin swore/affirmed in Doris E. Howell as Mayor.

The meeting was turned over to Mayor Howell

ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS TAKE OATH

Mayor Howell swore/affirmed in Jay Pusey, Russ Kilmer, Pat Longen and Patrick Harrison as elected Council members.

NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT OF BOROUGH COUNCIL

Mayor Howell announced that the nominations were open for President of Borough Council. Russ Kilmer nominated Jay Pusey. There were no more nominations. Mayor Howell took a voice vote and the vote was unanimous. Jay Pusey accepted the position. Mayor Howell announced that Jay Pusey is the President of Borough Council.

Mayor Howell turned the meeting over to President Pusey.

NOMINATION FOR VICE PRESIDENT OF BOROUGH COUNCIL

President Pusey announced that the nominations were open for Vice President of Borough Council. Russ Kilmer nominated Fred Bryan. There were no more nominations. President Pusey took a voice vote and the vote was unanimous. Fred Bryan accepted the position. President Pusey announced that Fred Bryan is the Vice President of Borough Council.

APPOINT CHAIRMAN PRO TEM

President Pusey announced that the nominations were open for Chairman Pro Tem. Russ Kilmer nominated Bob Cleveland. There were no more nominations. Bob Cleveland accepted the position. President Pusey announced that Bob Cleveland is the Chairman Pro Tem.

APPOINT CHAIRMAN OF THE VACANCY BOARD

Russ Kilmer made a motion to appoint Howard Thompson as Chairman of the Vacancy Board, 2nd by Fred Bryan, motion carried.

APPOINT BOROUGH SOLICITOR

Fred Bryan made a motion to appoint Glenn Diehl as Borough Solicitor, 2nd by Pat Longen, motion carried.

APPOINT ENGINEER

Fred Bryan made a motion to appoint James Mac Combie as Borough Engineer and Walter Barcz from Entech as Engineer for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant, 2nd by Russ Kilmer, motion carried.

APPOINT ZONING / CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Russ Kilmer made a motion to appoint Thomas Lowry as the Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer and to accept his proposal for 2006, 2nd by Pat Longen, motion carried.

APPOINT TREASURER

Fred Bryan made a motion to appoint Sandy Masten as Treasurer, 2nd by Pat Longen, motion carried.

APPOINT SECRETARY

Bob Cleveland made a motion to appoint Becky Brownback as Secretary, 2nd by Russ Kilmer, motion carried.

ENTECH REPORT

Walter Barcz gave the following report:

MELCHIORRE PAYMENT APPLICATION #3

Council approved Entech to process Payment Application #3.

DEP ORDERED SUPPLEMENTAL AERATION

Construction is progressing. The starter and breaker have been ordered. The calculation for the power costs of the system is in the process of being finalized. The estimate is approximately \$500.00 per month for about three months. Will look into adding a separate time meter. When the cost is finalized Walter will draft a letter for the Borough to send to Miller Environmental.

PROGRESS REPORT ON WWTP

The estimated completion date for the upgrade and expansion is July 2006.

MS4 STORMWATER

Entech is preparing the response to DEP and will be ready by the end of the week.

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Howell gave the following report:

WHITE CLAY CREEK AWARD

The Borough received an award from the Department of Interior for the work we recently did on the White Clay Creek and our dedication on preserving it as a Wild and Scenic River.

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mayor Howell said she was appointed to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee for Chester County by the Commissioners and Borough Council to write an additional 10 year plan. This is a second 10 year plan and will be soon coming out in draft. At some point, Council will need to ratify the plan to make it legal for the County to get grant money for writing the plan. One of the major issues is flow control; trash generated in Southern Chester County has to go to SECCRA Landfill and trash generated in Northern Chester County has to go to LanChester Landfill. This has been proven for the most part illegal, you can not flow waste, it needs to be taken care of through commerce, rates, and competition. Council really only needs to read the executive summary section that deals with the SECCRA Landfill.

REVITALIZATION PLAN AND TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Mayor Howell along with citizens from Avondale wrote the Revitalization Plan for the Borough to get the 1.5 Million we are spending for the sewer plant. The Plan was funded by a grant and it was submitted and adopted by the County. The Borough received additional grant money to do the Transportation Plan, which has to do with Route 41. Mayor Howell suggested that Council read the plans.

NEW BUSINESS

XMAS BONUS FOR SECRETARY & TREASURER

Russ Kilmer made a motion to approve one day's hours worked for Becky Brownback and Sandy Masten, 2nd by Bob Cleveland, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

AUDITOR

Fred Bryan said the Finance Committee has two interviews scheduled for January 9th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Pusey made the following announcements:

- The January 17, 2006 Council meeting is cancelled.
- There will be a special meeting on January 24, 2006 at 6:00 P.M. to conduct monthly general business and any other business that may come before Council.

Fred Bryan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 P.M., 2nd by Patrick Harrison, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Brownback
Borough Secretary