

Council Minutes – October 13 2011

Jermyn Borough Council met on Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. On roll call the following members were present: J.Allan, J.Smith, W.Shermanski, A.J.Fuga, and K. Hosie. M.Collins and B.Parks were absent. Attorney Nicholls was present. Mayor Marks was absent.

MINUTES – A motion was made by A.J.Fuga seconded by J.Smith to adopt the minutes of September 8, 2011. All members were in favor.

J.Smith reported a beginning balance of \$359,228.31, expenditures of \$46,736.40 with an ending balance of \$312,494.91. A motion was made by W.Shermanski seconded by J.Allan to adopt the financial report as presented. All members were in favor.

SOLICITOR – Attorney Nicholls said that the lawyer from Convenient, KBA and himself met concerning the proposed gas station as Attorney Nicholls had an issue he wanted to discuss. Whether the gas pumps will be a principal use or accessory use. Attorney Nicholls said that it will be an accessory use and will not need council approve.

Attorney Nicholls said the P. Mussari lawsuit has been dropped. He has not obtained the contract form Bureau Veritas yet. He also said that he met with J.OConnor concerning Mr.Langmans' water problem and they are trying to work something out.

Attorney Nicholls said that he needs a resolution to the fact that do we wish to have a private bid for the Deluchy property or a public auction?

DELUCHY PROPERTY – A motion was made by W.Shermanski seconded by A.J.Fuga to have a public auction on November 10, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. with a minimum bid of \$27,000.00 for the Deluchy property on Riverview Lane. All members were in favor.

BERKHEIMER – A motion was made by W.Shermanski seconded by J.Smith to have Berkheimer to collect the delinquent E.I.T. taxes. All members were in favor.

COUNCIL LIAISON FOR BERKHEIMER – A motion was made by W.Shermanski seconded by A.J.Fuga to appoint Joseph Smith as liaison with Berkheimer. All members were in favor.

FIRE CHIEF – Chief Rood said the hydrant is in for the Housing Project and Kriger has been notified. The issue with the hydrant in East Jermyn has been resolved and it will be catty –corner from where it is now. Chief Rood said that the DPW is having a hard time trying to trim trees on Old Mill Road, Attorney Nicholls said he will look into it.

PUBLIC INPUT – Mr. R.Turpak, 207 Main Street, Mayfield, said he has been complaining for 8 months to the Police Chief and the Zoning Officer concerning the issues at Virbitsky 's Garage. Mr. Turpak said the situation is affecting property values and the quality of life. He had pictures that he gave to council for their consideration. Mr. Turpak said there is also an issue with big trucks idling. Attorney Nicholls said he will look into the statue concerning the idling trucks. Mr. Turpak said he cannot believe that motors, tires and dog coops are acceptable, that it looks like a junk yard .Attorney Nicholls said he will speak to B.Chase and J.Virbitsky concerning the problems.

Paul Eastlake, 215 Franklin addressed Council concerning the water issue caused by the pavers in front of his home. KBA will be notified of the problem.

Mr. Langman thanked council for the paving of the roads.

FINANCE – J.Smith said there will be a budget meeting on Monday.

INVOICES – A motion was made by A.J.Fuga seconded by W.Shermanski to pay the invoices in the amount of \$4839.20. All members were in favor.

PUBLIC WORKS – K.Hosie reported that the new DPW truck did come in but it was flooded and they are ordering a new one.

ROADS COMMITTEE – J. Smith reported that A. Wilson had a number of ideas, they will be presented to council and the committee did a great job.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by A.J.Fuga seconded by W.Shermanski to award the 2011-2012 insurance bid to DGK in the amount of \$48,604.00. All members were in favor.

Refuse fee for 2012 – A motion was made by J.Smith seconded by A.J.Fuga to remove the \$200.00 garabage fee for 2012 only. All members were in favor.

CHRISTMAS PARADE – A motion was made by J.Smith seconded by W.Shermanski to donate \$200.00 to the girl scouts for a Christmas parade. All members were in favor.

There will be a LCAB dinner on October 20, please let the secretary know if you wish to attend.

Council went into executive session, council reconvened from executive session.

EMST TAX COLLECTOR – A motion was made by J.Smith seconded by W.Shermanski to appoint J.Chrisitan to collect the EMST tax. All members were in favor.

MARK KILMER – A motion was made by J.Allan seconded by A.J.Fuga to hire Mark Kilmer to work only 36 hours without benefits until Joseph Esagro returns. All members were in favor.

A motion was made to adjourn by A.J.Fuga, seconded by W. Shermanski to adjourn. All members were in favor.