

Council Minutes – December 9 2010

Jermyn Borough Council met on Thursday, December 9 2010 at 7:00 p.m. On roll call the following members were present: J.Smith, W.Shermanski, M.Collins, K.Hosie and B.Parks. Attorney Nicholls and Mayor Smallacombe were in attendance. J.Mark, A.J.Fuga and D.Morcom were absent.

MINUTES – A motion was made by M.Collins, seconded by J.Smith to adopt the minutes of November 11 2010. All members were in favor.

FINANCIAL REPORT – A motion was made by W.Shermanski, seconded by B.Parks to approve the financial report as presented. All members were in favor.

MAYOR- Alternate parking is in effect when it snows. Police will issue tickets when parked on the wrong side of the road. No exceptions. He reported that the Historical Society meeting was cancelled. The Christmas Concert is this Sunday at 3: 00 pm. If canceled because of weather it will be the following Sunday. Free admission. He also commended Borough Council for the excellent job they have done.

SOLICITOR- Attorney Nicholls addressed the issue of Tasers for the police. He contacted Archbald and there have been no problems. Many states classify Tasers the same as carrying a gun. Guidelines should be set up for their use, Philadelphia has banned tasers. Tasers are allowed in 43 states. Chief Zellers asked to have two Tasers purchased one bought by M.Zileinski the other by Jermyn Neighborhood Watch. All Officers must be certified to use them. A motion was made by M.Collins, seconded by B.Parks to have two Tasers purchased by M.Zielinski and the Jermyn Crime Watch. All members were in favor.

FIRE CHIEF – R.Rood had concerns about a non functioning hydrant on Raymond Drive.

PUBLIC INPUT- Bill Langman asked if the Borough support the animal shelter. There was a discussion about donating \$250.00.

R.Smith Delaware Street asked about the ongoing problem with smoke from Bardane. A.Nicholls said he would look into it.

FINANCE – A motion was made by W.Shermanski seconded by J.Smith to approve the invoices in the amount of \$5448.75. All members were in favor.

PUBLIC WORKS –B.Parks said we had the meeting with KBA and discussed the maintenance of the sewers. The Borough will be paving: Old Mill Road, 600 block of Lincoln, 400 block of Jefferson, Gibson Street and 400 block of Jefferson as an alternate.

The 1994 truck has a problem with the starter at a cost of \$300.00 A new truck costs around \$60,000.00. Asked to sell unmarked cruiser might have a potential buyer. We may have the inmates come to do some painting. And we will be putting insulation in the ceiling in the hallway.

The Mayor commented on the mess Powell made installing sewers.

Mr. Parks will be looking into purchasing a time clock currently they are using paper.

RECREATION

M.Collins reported there are some children rides broken and will be replaced in the spring. The Zumba participation is less than expected. Mr. Collins read the recreation financial report, beginning balance of \$2900.00, \$285.00 in rent ,ending balance of \$3,185.09.

2011 BUDGET – A motion was made by J.Smith seconded by B.Parks to adopt the 2011 Budget in the amount of \$618,529.00 with no tax increase. All members were in favor.

Attorney Nicholls said he will look into the Guardian contract.

ROOF – A motion was made by M.Collins seconded by J.Smith to have Dunmore roofing patch the roof at a cost of \$2,200.00 All members were in favor.

K.Hosie reported the Community Dinner will be January 22 and tickets are available.

A motion was made to adjourn by W.Shermanski seconded by M.Collins. All members were in favor.