

MINUTES  
INDIAN LAKE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 10, 2014

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Indian Lake Borough Council was held on December 10, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. at the Indian Lake Borough Building.

THOSE PRESENT:

Lynn Shimer, President  
Patricia Dewar  
Robert Hanson  
Scott Hollern  
Robert Marhefka  
Curtis Morgese  
Lynn Shimer  
Terry St. Clair, Via Telephone  
Michael D. Miscoe, Mayor  
Daniel Rullo, Solicitor

THOSE ABSENT:

Frank Moldovan, Superintendent  
Theresa L. Weyant, Borough Manager  
David Wood, Zoning Officer

Visitors – Richard Stern, Tom O’Toole and Ronald Petrina.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M. by Lynn Shimer, President.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Approve the Minutes of the Meeting Held on November 12, 2014 - Shimer asked for additions and/or corrections. There being none, Dewar made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Hanson seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

2. Financial Reports - Hanson made a motion to approve the Borough’s Financial Reports and to pay the outstanding bills. Dewar seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Hanson made a motion to approve the Water Works Financial Reports and to pay the outstanding bills. Dewar seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Hanson made a motion to approve the Sewer Financial Reports and to pay the outstanding bills. Dewar seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Hanson made a motion to approve the Summary of Account Balance Report as presented. Dewar seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

3. Welcome Visitors - Richard Stern, Tom O’Toole and Ronald Petrina.

4. Correspondence:

A. Request for Donation from the Children’s Aid Home – Hanson made a motion to make a \$50.00 donation to the Children’s Aid Home. Dewar seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

B. Request for Donation from the Humane Society of Somerset County - Hanson made a motion to make a \$50.00 donation to the Humane Society of Somerset County. Morgese seconded the motion. 5-ayes and 2-nayes. Motion carried. Both of these organizations do support the Borough.

C. Department of Emergency Services-County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Meetings – The Department of Emergency Services is completing updates on the mitigation strategy section of the County Hazard Mitigation Plan. They are requesting input in reviewing non-structural mitigation actions that outline methods of completing mitigation efforts for hazards specific to Somerset County that impact each municipality. The one hour meetings will be conducted December 17<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 8pm and December 18<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 5pm. Mayor Miscoe will attend and will contact them to schedule a time to go in to review this.

5. Committee Reports:

A. Finance Report:

1. Adoption of the 2015 Proposed Budget - Dewar made a motion to adopt the proposed 2015 budget, which totals \$1,603,076.00, as advertised and presented. Hanson seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
2. Set Millage Rate and all other Borough Taxes for 2014 - Morgese made a motion to set the millage rate at 19.3 mills and for all the other Borough taxes to remain the same for 2015. Dewar seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
3. Adoption of Tax Rate Ordinance No. 171 - Hanson made a motion to adopt the 2015 Tax Rate Ordinance No. 171 as presented and advertised. Morgese seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
4. 2014 Somerset Ambulance Contribution - Hanson made a motion to make a donation in the amount of \$2,500.00 to the Somerset Area Ambulance Association. Hollern seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
5. 2014 Donation to the Shanksville Volunteer Fire Department – Morgese made a motion to remit the Borough's 2014 donation to the Shanksville Volunteer Fire Department, in the amount of \$10,500.00 and to execute the contract. Dewar seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.
6. 2014 Boot Allotment - Hanson made a motion that Dean Snyder and David Smith receive a boot allotment check in the amount of \$100.00 per person. Dewar seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

B. Road Report:

1. Purchase of Tools and Renovations to Upper Garage – Dewar made a motion to authorize the renovations to the upper garage and to purchase the requested tools, which total \$1,015.34. Hollern seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

St. Clair stated that Ron Petrina talked to him about David Erimias storing two (2) boats in Pawnee Park. St. Clair did speak with Dean Snyder, Acting Zoning Officer, about this and Dean was aware of the situation and has spoken with Mr. Erimias and was informed that the boats would be removed when they come back to lake in about a month and a half.

C. Police Report:

1. Ratify the Hiring of James Kistler and James Rigby - Dewar made a motion to ratify the hiring of James Kistler and James Rigby as part-time police officers, at a starting salary of \$15.00 per hour. Morgese seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

6. Old Business

7. New Business:

- A. Expiring Terms of Planning Commission Member and Zoning Hearing Board Member – Hanson made a motion to re-appoint Scott Hollern to a four (4) year term on the Indian Lake Borough Planning Commission, term to expire on December 31, 2018. Dewar seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Morgese made a motion to re-appoint James Dewar to a three (3) year term on the Indian Lake Borough Zoning Hearing Board, term to expire on December 31, 2017. Hanson seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

- B. Resignation of Paul Cornez from the Dam Remediation Committee – Dewar made a motion to accept the resignation of Paul Cornez from the Dam Remediation Committee with deep gratitude for the years of service that he gave the Borough and to send a letter of appreciation. Hollern seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

- C. Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs in Honor of Service Award – Morgese made a motion to authorize the Borough Secretary to submit her name and to certify her years of service with the Borough. Hollern seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

D. Adopt Proposed Resolution for the Destruction of Specific Records - Morgese made a motion to adopt Resolution 2014-3 as presented and to authorize the Borough Secretary to dispose of the records. Hanson seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

6 Legal Report:

A. David Rohrich Challenge to Ruling/Septic- Attorney Rullo informed Council that Judge Cascio reaffirmed his decision that Mr. Rohrich did violate the provisions of the sewage regulations and has granted the injunction to remove the sewer connection from the garage into the existing sewer system.

B. John Oliver Zoning Hearing Board Appeal – Attorney Rullo informed Council that this matter is scheduled for a case management order in front of Judge Klemenick.

7. Old Business:

8. New Business:

9. Public Comment:

Ron Petrina questioned as to what is being done regarding the dilapidated boat house and dock on the Peninsula? Attorney Rullo asked Mr. Petrina to provide him with the property owner's name and he will follow up on this matter.

Hanson made a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation at 8:05 P.M. Morgese seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

At 8:30 P.M. Council returned to Regular Session

With no further business to discuss, Hanson moved and Morgese seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 P.M. All ayes, motion carried.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Indian Lake Borough Council will be held on January 14, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. at the Indian Lake Borough Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa L. Weyant  
Borough Manager