

**HARVEYS LAKE BOROUGH
LUZERNE COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
June 17, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the Harveys Lake Borough Council was held on Tuesday, June 17, 2008 at 7:30 P.M. at the Harveys Lake General Municipal Building, Route 415, Sunset, Harveys Lake, PA.

Council President Lucarino called the meeting to order and asked everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Lucarino announced the meeting tonight was being tape-recorded and if anyone in the audience had a recorder to please advise Council at this point. There was no response from the audience.

Roll call:

Richard Boice	Mayor	Present
Lawrence Lucarino	President	Present
Diane Dwyer	Vice President	Present
Edward Kelly	Council Member	Absent
Clarence Hogan	Council Member	Present
Charles Musial	Council Member	Present
Carole Samson	Council Member	Present
Betty Jane West	Council Member	Present
Charles McCormick	Attorney	Absent
Susan R. Sutton	Borough Secretary	Present

****Indicates motions made.**

****Councilwoman West made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes and accept the Minutes of the May20, 2008 Public Works Session, May 20, 2008 Regular Council Meeting, seconded by Councilwoman West. The motion carried unanimously.**

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Received a letter on June 16 from Mr. and Mr. Monk regarding unlawful use of ATV's on borough roads.

Received an invitation for Borough officials to attend the Luzerne County Boroughs and Townships Association meeting on Thursday, June 26 at the Mark II restaurant. Bryan Oram, a geologist from Wilkes College will give some insight into what the future holds for our ever important water supply. There is a nominal cost of \$10

Comcast notified us that they will once again be expanding their line up to include ABC Family, Disney, and the Science channel in their HD lineup. And on June 25, they will be adding The Sportsman channel to the Digital classic channel number 278.

We received three letters of violation from the Luzerne Conservation District regarding the properties at Pole 8 owned by William & Denise Karlotski, Pole 67 owned by Daniel and Patricia Silverstein, and Pole 18 owned by Kevin and Julie Carty. They all have violations failing to implement Best Management Practices on their properties. They will be re-inspected to check for further compliance.

PSAB sent us a notice regarding the appeal of the Borough of Youngwood v. Prevailing Wage Appeals Board. This mainly affects how we pay for work done on our roads. It is expected to increase the overall expense related to road paving work.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

President Lucarino asked if there was anyone in the audience wishing to address council. There was no response.

REPORTS FROM APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Borough Secretary reported that during the month of May \$34,127.53 was received from Berkheimer.

The Tax Collector's report is available on the back table.

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Finance: There was no report

Police: Councilwoman West read the report from May. The Police worked a total of 1330 hours with a total mileage of 6,024. The 163 police calls included 163, 4 parking tickets, 10 traffic citations, 1 non-traffic citations, 5 arrests and 17 written warnings. Total money received from the Magistrate was \$689.21.

Roads: Councilman Musial reported that road department has been very busy with road maintenance. They finished the Cease St. Demolition site including the seeding of the grass. They have replaced more catch basins, including one on Annabelle Ave. and have a long list of more that need replacement. When the one on Lakeside Drive is done at Pole 297, the road will be temporarily closed. The recycling trailer is still being worked on. There was regular maintenance done on the vehicles.

Community Activities: Councilman Hogan reported that there will be a dance held by the Fire Company on July 26 at the Irem Temple Country Club. A resident also stated

that the Annual Fishing Derby for the kids was being held on Saturday, June 21 and could contact the American Legion for more information.

Zoning Hearing Board Report: Councilwoman Samson reported that the Harveys Lake Zoning Board held their regular meeting on Tuesday, June 3, 2008 at the Harveys Lake Municipal Building. Susan Collini was seeking a height variance for a new home she plans to have built. Their hearing was continued until July 1, 2008. The board will do a site visit and is asking the Collini's to seek a compromise with their neighbors. They will make a decision at the next meeting.

Sewer Authority Liaison: Councilwoman Samson reported that the Sewer Authority met on June 4, 2008 and paid bills and payroll totaling \$38,000. Included in the report was Mayor Boice's report that daily maintenance continues on all 14 stations, and that new flow meters were installed on a 30 day trial basis. There was also some discussion on the length of time a requested Sewer hookup could be held before billing began. Attorney O'Conner was not present, so the discussion was limited.

EAC: Councilwoman Dwyer reported that the well water testing will be offered again this year for the discounted price of \$75 dollars. Kits are available in the Sewer Authority office and payment is due when they are dropped off on July 12.

EAC has received calls from two neighboring communities, Lake Winola and Lake Meade asking for information on our successful program.

Dorne White has been invited to come and speak to EAC regarding issues at Bowman's Creek to share how they have handled various issues.

Reports and copies of letters and inspection reports were received from the Luzerne County Conservation District that were sent to Karlotski (pole 8), Silverstein (Pole 67) and Carty (Pole 18) re: erosion & sediment control plan.

Homecoming Committee: Councilwoman Samson reported on the Homecoming Weekend Committee meeting held on Saturday, June 11, 2008 at the Borough office.

The Little M/M Harveys Lake applications will be sent to the school for the kids to take home.

Mike Laumeyer has agreed to do the boat regatta again this year. It will be held on Saturday night and will begin at the Public Launch ramp at 8:30.

Shirley Mallory is in charge of the vendors and reports getting responses from various vendors. "Reflections of the Lake" applications are required and must be returned prior to Friday, August 1. Those participating must have their homes/boathouses lit the week beginning Sunday Aug. 3, through Friday, August 8.

Tickets will be going on sale soon for the Homecoming Dance to be held on Friday, August 8 at the HL American Legion beginning at 8 PM. Tickets are \$25 and include a buffet dinner, beer and soda and a band. There will be a Chinese auction at the dance.

The Fire Company is working on their share of the Homecoming. They will have Children's day on Saturday, and are also in charge of the parade. David Davis is the contact for anyone wishing to be in the parade.

This year there will be a Beach Party on Saturday night at the Old Sandy Beach Bottom from 5 to 10 pm. We are hoping to have food available, if not, please be prepared to bring your own refreshments. As soon as we know for sure, we will advise the public. There will be a DJ.

Check the webpage for more information.

The next meeting will be Saturday, June 28, at 10 am at the Borough Office.

Councilman Musial also said that he had been out to see about a complaint from Residents Kuhn and Kriel about water in their yards. It appears to be a real problem. The Game Commission came in and trapped out 3 beavers so far. Councilman Musial and the road department will be taking a closer look at the creek to see what the problem is that is causing the water to back up, and try to correct it. They will report back to council.

****Councilwoman Samson made the motion to accept the reports from Special Committees, Elected Officials and Appointed Officials, seconded by Councilwoman West. The motion carried unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS

**** Councilwoman Samson made a motion to approve Resolution #2-2008 maintaining the current fee schedule, seconded by Councilwoman West. The motion carried unanimously.**

****Councilwoman Dwyer made a motion for the Borough to send an Administrative letter to Pasonick requesting that they only inspect those items requiring Thirs Party UCC inspections, seconded by Councilman Musial. The motion carried unanimously.**

****Councilwoman West made a motion to hire Stephen Forgues to set up the Harveys Lake Borough web page at the rate of \$10.95 for the yearly domain name, \$55 for the yearly Web Hosting fee, a one time \$500 for the Initial Web site Design & Development, \$70 monthly maintenance/update fee (up to 4 hours), and over for hours, \$20 per hour, seconded by Councilman Musial. The motion carried unanimously.**

****Councilman Musial made a motion to hire Adam Staricha at \$7.65 per hour, Michael Snyder and Stephen Long at \$7.15 per hour as full time, temporary seasonal help for the Road Department, available ASAP, seconded by Councilwoman West. The motion carried unanimously.**

****Councilwoman West made a motion to increase Raymond Eckhart's pay from \$11.50 per hour to \$12.25 and George Hogan's pay from \$16.15 to \$16.90 effective on June 19, 2008, seconded by Councilwoman West. The motion carried unanimously.**

Kiss the Fish

Councilwoman West announced that this year for the Homecoming Weekend, there was going to be a Kiss the Fish contest. The contestants this year are, Fire Chief David Davis, EMA Coordinator Charles West, Fire Police Captain Dick Heur, Harveys Lake Constable Daryl Hogan, and our Police Chief Jeffrey Butler. She encouraged everyone to vote.

****Councilman Musial made a motion to have the Borough Secretary place the 2 old police cars up for bid, seconded by Councilwoman Samson. The motion carried unanimously.**

OLD BUSINESS

President Lucarino asked if anyone had any old business they wished to discuss. There was no response.

****Councilwoman West made a motion to pay the bills and Payroll in the amount of \$68,178.34, seconded by Councilwoman Samson. The motion carried unanimously.**

Councilman Lucarino asked if anyone had anything else to add to the meeting.

Resident Diane McCabe stated that she was sorry she was late and missed the Opportunity for Citizens to be heard. She presented pictures and signed letters from herself and 3 neighbors complaining about a car that is parked on a corner. She is concerned that there is not enough room for a fire truck or other safety apparatus to reach her home in an emergency. She had the fire chief take a look at the situation and he agreed it would be a problem. She was requesting that the Borough place no parking signs on the two corners in question on Peach St. Councilman Musial asked if there had been a problem since Monday afternoon at 6:00 pm when he notified the residents that there was a problem. They said no. Councilman Musial recommended that they call 911 if there was a problem in the future. Since we have a small department, there is not always someone in the office to get complaints and in order for it to be documented properly, they need to call 911.

Joe Shonis wanted to know if anything was going to be done regarding the inability of the Borough Secretary to reach the company that the flares were bought from. They are saying they are out of business. But Mr. Shonis contends that they are still doing business selling other items. It was recommended our Solicitor could advise us about

sending a letter.

Resident Millie Monk asked how much the water testing kits from EAC cost. She was told the cost is \$75 dollars.

****Councilman West made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Musial. The motion carried unanimously.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by

Susan R. Sutton, Borough Secretary