REGULAR MINUTES December 10, 2009

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The minutes of the November 2009 meetings were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

<u>Permits</u>: Walizer reported that 0 zoning permits were issued since the last meeting.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer (OEO):

Planning Commission:

COMMUNICATIONS:

FINANCIAL:

Hoy motioned to approve the Financial Statement; LaRocque seconded; Motion carried. Grimm motioned to approve the bills; LaRocque seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

<u>Local Services Tax Resolution No. 04-09</u> – LaRocque motioned to designate Keystone Central for collection of the Local Services Tax beginning in January 2010; Grimm seconded. Motion unanimously carried by roll-call vote.

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<u>2010 Payroll</u> – Grimm motioned to increase payroll \$0.40 per hour for each employee for 2010; LaRocque seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Shope motioned to purchase \$25 Wal-Mart gift cards for each employee for Christmas; Hoy seconded. Motion carried.

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Grimm motioned to appoint Hill as 3rd check signer replacing Gensib; Shope seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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Streets - Issues with the contractor seem to have been resolved at this point.

<u>Finance</u> – Grimm asked that Council review the proposals distributed so that a decision on a depository can be made in January.

ADJOURN: 8:05 p.m.

Work Session December 7, 2009

Vice President Hill called to order the work session of the Flemington Borough Council. Flemington Borough Council present at work session December 7, 2009, Mayor Durkin; Mary Ann Dion; David Grimm; Paul LaRocque; Catherine Shope; Albert Hill; and Steve Hoy. Also present were Foreman Bill Brungard and Engineer Steve Gibson.

COMMUNICATIONS

Were listed for review.

PUBLIC COMMENT

OEO REPORT - Distributed his report for Council to review.

FINANCIAL

<u>Bill Sheet/Financial Statement</u> - The bills and financial statement for the month were distributed. LaRocque questioned the Local Services Tax distribution vs. admin fee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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<u>Final Budget Review</u> -- Council reviewed the proposed budget once again prior to adoption on Thursday night.

NEW BUSINESS

Holiday Gifts - Council will consider \$25 Wal-Mart gift cards for the employees on Thursday.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Personnel - Charity requests comp time be granted for 12/8.

<u>CCEP</u> – Shope reported the Partnership is sending letters to object electrical rate increase, requesting these increases be postponed due to current economic conditions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ADJOURN: 7:50 p.m.

REGULAR MINUTES November 12, 2009

Vice President Albert Hill called Flemington Borough Council meeting held Thursday, November 12, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. to order. Roll call showed the following Council present: Grimm; Hoy; Hill; Shope; Dion; LaRocque and Mayor Durkin. Also present were Deputy Fire Chief Jonathan Temple and Borough Foreman William Brungard. Gensib was absent.

The minutes of the September 2009 Regular and Special Meetings were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Deputy Fire Chief Temple reported that there have been nine calls since the last meeting. He reported that the FWD has a faulty starter and is planned to be back in service by the end of the weekend. JBC Meeting dates are to be announced. He asked how many, at a minimum, reps from the Borough are required in order to hold the meeting. Council agreed that no less than two reps would be acceptable. Jonathan will check into the remote change equipment for traffic signals per Grimm's request.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Permits: Walizer reported that 4 zoning permits were issued since the last meeting.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer (OEO):

Planning Commission:

COMMUNICATIONS:

FINANCIAL:

Hoy motioned to approve the Financial Statement; Grimm seconded; Motion carried. The bill sheet was presented totaling General \$13,913.74; Sewer \$57,702.08; Highway Aid \$18.95. Hoy motioned to approve; LaRocque seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

<u>Proposed Budget</u> – Grimm explained recent changes in the budget figures reflecting the elimination of the Per Capita Tax due to the increase in fees being charged by the County for billing. Council is proposing a sewer rate increase of 50 percent to offset the anticipated future costs of sewage treatment along with repayment of our debt services from repairs made to the sewer system.

<u>Local Services Tax</u> – LaRocque recommends we participate in change because Keystone Central has a more effective way of locating and billing those responsible for payment of the tax. LaRocque motioned to assign Keystone Central for collection of Local Services Tax beginning January 1st, 2010; Grimm seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Healthcare Allocation</u> – As a bonus for those opting out of the Family Healthcare Plan offered by the Borough, Council issues a \$1,000 (amount determined annually) check. This amount for 2009 was established as part of the 2009 budget that was passed in December of 2008. Grimm motioned that this be paid in 2009 and be included in the 2010 budget for payment in December of 2010; LaRocque seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll-call vote.

<u>Frederick Street Traffic</u> — On discussion from last month on speeders on Frederick Street, a quote was received for a radar device that would show motorists how fast they were going as they drove by in attempt to try to slow them down. It was determined that the rental fees for this device would be too excessive to justify.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>Sewer</u> – Asphalt plants will remain open until November 23rd. South Hillview Street has been paved. Grimm motioned to allow Hill Section bills to be paid through Interim Finance as they are received rather than waiting until month's end; LaRocque seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

<u>Personnel</u> – Grimm motioned to approve time off request from Charity for 11/13 Hoy seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN: 8:25 p.m.

Work Session NOVEMBER 9, 2009

President Gensib called to order the work session of the Flemington Borough Council. Flemington Borough Council present at work session November 9, 2009, Patrick Gensib; Mayor Durkin; Mary Ann Dion; Paul LaRocque; Catherine Shope; Albert Hill; and Steve Hoy. Also present was Foreman Bill Brungard.

COMMUNICATIONS

Were listed for review.

PUBLIC COMMENT

OEO REPORT - Distributed his report for Council to review.

FINANCIAL

Bill Sheet/Financial Statement - The bills and financial statement for the month were distributed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Shope questioned what to do if someone burning leaves. Brungard said to call him to report it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Sewer</u> – Engineers from Flemington and Bald Eagle Township will meet to discuss alternatives for Woods Avenue manholes. Most of the South Hillview section is complete on the sewer project. It was decided that the heavier Fernco will be used as was spec'd. The broken water line on S. Hillview is being repaired.

Streets - Stone wall barriers need repaired. Council suggested posting reflectors.

Recreation – Hill reported someone has been driving through the grass at the park.

<u>Finance</u> – Budget review ensued. Council discussed eliminating the allocation to the "Hi Neighbor" Committee due the surplus they hold in their account and disburse a portion of those funds to the SPCA, Library, Office of Aging and the Women's Center. Council proposes an increase to the sewer rates of 50 percent.

<u>Personnel</u> – Gensib asked that the annual Health Insurance Allocations be revisited for 2009. This amount is budgeted annually for those who opt out of the Family Healthcare plan. In 2008 this amount was set at \$1,000 for 2009's distribution.

<u>CCEP</u> – Shope attended the dinner and will provide the literature for Council to review.

Act 32 – Election of officers. There will be a meeting in December.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Durkin announced he has been unsuccessful in obtaining Fire Police for the parade.

ADJOURN: 8:35 p.m.

REGULAR MINUTES October 8, 2009

President Pat Gensib called Flemington Borough Council meeting held Thursday, October 8, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. to order. Roll call showed the following Council present: Grimm; Hoy; Hill; Shope; Gensib; Dion; LaRocque and Mayor Durkin. Also present were Deputy Fire Chief Jonathan Temple and Eric Brungard.

The minutes of the September 2009 Regular and Special Meetings were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Deputy Fire Chief Temple reported that there have been five calls since the last meeting. Guidelines for Fire Police requests are currently being considered.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Permits: Walizer reported that 2 zoning permits were issued since the last meeting.

<u>Ordinance Enforcement Officer (OEO)</u>: Gensib reported that several residents have been blowing their leaves onto the streets. Shope questioned the issues with the dogs at Eoutes'. Brungard reported that they seem to be cooperating.

Planning Commission:

COMMUNICATIONS: Gensib reported on the request received from Jennifer Gray in reference to her driveway curb. The crew will assist in making access to her property easier.

FINANCIAL:

Hill motioned to approve the Financial Statement; Grimm seconded; Motion carried. The bill sheet was presented totaling General \$10,719.89; Sewer \$277.60; Highway Aid \$54.53. LaRocque motioned to approve; Hill seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

<u>Park Subdivision</u> – Grimm motioned to approve for McTish to complete the subdivision at \$500 plus legal fees; LaRocque seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Canal Street Bridge</u> – Still waiting for estimate from PennDot on replacement and still waiting for estimate from Condos for repair.

<u>Frederick Street</u> – Complaint received on speeding on Frederick Street. Brungard reported that 8 speed limit signs are posted (4 each way).

<u>Trick-or-Treat Hours</u> – Hill motioned to set the hours from 6-8 on October 31st; Hoy seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

<u>Leaf Pickup</u> – Every Tuesday in November.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>Sewer</u> – Preconstruction Conference scheduled. Asphalt restoration may not be complete until spring due to plant closings for winter.

Recreation - Public Meeting scheduled for October 19th at 6:00 p.m.

Personnel – Grimm motioned to approve time off requests as follows: Charity - floating holiday November 27th, personal time November 30th and December 18th and vacation time December 28th through December 31st. Brungard - Personal time for October 23rd, November 27th and November 30th & vacation time for December 1st, 18th, and 28th through the 31st. Hill seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Finance - Budget Meeting 10/21 1:30 p.m.

ADJOURN: 8:45 p.m. **ATTEST:** Charity H. Walizer Secretary/Treasurer

Work Session October 5, 2009

President Gensib called to order the work session of the Flemington Borough Council. Flemington Borough Council present at work session August 10, 2009, Patrick Gensib; Mayor Durkin; Mary Ann Dion; Paul LaRocque; Catherine Shope; Albert Hill; and Steve Hoy. Also present was Engineer Steve Gibson, Foreman Bill Brungard, Sheila and Ross Weaver. Grimm was absent.

COMMUNICATIONS

Were listed for review.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Weavers announced the "Hi Neighbor" Committee's Halloween Party will be held October 31st at 3:00 p.m. Sheila asked who she should give her financials to for Council to review. Council will check with Grimm for his direction. Sheila also asked if the Hometown Heroes banners could be incorporated with the Park Master Plan if possible. The annual Holiday Parade will be held November 28th at 3:00 p.m.

OEO REPORT - Distributed his report for Council to review.

FINANCIAL

Bill Sheet/Financial Statement - The bills and financial statement for the month were distributed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

<u>PARK SUBDIVISION</u> - \$500 quote was given by McTish through Brinjac to complete the subdivision as presented and agreed upon between St. Luke's and Flemington Borough.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>CANAL ST. BRIDGE</u> – Needs repaired following accident that occurred on 9/23/09. Hap questioned if the bridge will need to be replaced in the near future. Brungard will contact PennDot on cost estimates for replacement and Condos for an estimate on repair.

<u>SPEEDING ON FREDERICK ST.</u> – Complain was received on the traffic on Frederick Street. The Streets Committee will research possible resolutions.

TRICK-OR-TREAT HOURS - Proposed for October 31st 6-8.

<u>LEAF PICKUP</u> – Proposed for every Tuesday in November.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sewer – Loan has closed. Preconstruction Conference scheduled. Asphalt restoration may not be complete until spring due to plant closings for winter. Maholes – Engineer to meet to investigate for an alternative. Gibson reported on the discrepancy with the lesser quality fernoo coupling proposed for use by L/B Water. Gibson ok'd the use but left it up to Council on what to require per the specs. Brungard reported that Oak Lane had to be jetted for the second time in a year.

<u>Streets</u> – Crack sealing is complete. The Shady Lane sign has been installed along with a stop sign at the end of the lane to Woods Avenue.

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<u>Finance</u> – Budget Committee to meet this month.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Hogan Blvd Project Meeting 10/8 at 1:00 p.m.

ADJOURN: 7:45 p.m.

REGULAR MINUTES September 10, 2009

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The minutes of the August 2009 Meetings were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Deputy Fire Chief Temple reported that four new applicants were voted into the fire company. There have been four calls since the last meeting. The door repair has been completed. Temple asked that Council schedule the Joint Building Committee Meeting since they did not have enough members of Council in attendance to hold the meeting. Walizer reported that she talked with Barzona on naming Shady Lane. Paperwork is being prepared. Temple reported that six people have been recommended by the Fire Company for Fire Police. Temple is asking that their certifications be turned in to the Borough Office by September 17th or they can be removed from the recommendations at the next Council Meeting.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

<u>Permits</u>: Walizer reported that 1 zoning permit was issued since the last meeting.

<u>Ordinance Enforcement Officer (OEO)</u>: The Borough removed 1 car and Robb placed 1 car on the Lock Haven side of his property. He has made a lot of progress in the yard to this point.

<u>Planning Commission</u>:

COMMUNICATIONS:

FINANCIAL:

Hill motioned to approve the Financial Statement; Grimm seconded; Motion carried. The bill sheet was presented totaling General \$24,544.68; Sewer \$18,214.23; Highway Aid \$123.62. Grimm motioned to approve; Hoy seconded. Motion unanimously carried. Gensib suggested the fire company approach Bald Eagle Township for a portion of their relief monies.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- <u>Watch Children Sign</u> Gensib opposed to moving the sign as requested by borough resident, Dan Grenninger. Hill motioned to leave the sign in its current location; Grimm and Dion seconded. Motion unanimously carried.
- Sewer Connection Ordinance No. 226 Hoy motioned to adopt; Grimm seconded. Motioned carried by unanimous roll-call vote.
- <u>Manholes</u> Hoy reported on letter received from Bald Eagle Township regarding the repair of the manholes on Woods Avenue. Grimm expressed his opposition to the Borough taking any responsibility for the repair of the manholes. Hoy suggested obtaining photos of the damages. He also suggested Gibson be present for the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- <u>Earned Income Tax</u> Grimm motioned to adopt Resolution No. 03-09 to designate LaRocque as the primary representing Flemington for the Earned Income Collection Committee; Shope as the alternate; and Grimm as the 2nd alternate. Hill seconded; motion carried unanimously.
- <u>Hi Neighbor</u> Grimm motioned to accept with regret the resignation of Bill Smith as President of the "Hi Neighbor" Committee; LaRocque seconded. Motion unanimously carried. Grimm motioned to obtain the financial reports from the Committee for the last 12 months; Hill seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Durkin requested a thank you be sent to Bill for his dedication and service over the last several years.
- No Prejudice Letter Gibson reported on the delay of the loan closing. He is asking that the Borough pass a resolution to request a letter of "No Prejudice" from PennVest so that the contractor may begin ordering materials for the project. Grimm motioned to adopt Resolution No. 04-09 requesting the letter of "No Prejudice"; Hoy seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

REGULAR MINUTES September 10, 2009

<u>Fire Police</u> — Temple reported on recommendations from the Fire Company for Fire Police. Grimm motioned to appoint Dave Shadle; LaRocque seconded. Grimm motioned to appoint Don Heltman; Hill seconded. Grimm motioned to appoint Robert Borner, Sr.; LaRocque seconded. Grimm motioned to appoint Pat Gensib; Dion seconded. Dion motioned to appoint Don Mellott; Grimm seconded. Hoy motioned to appoint Gary Mellott; Grimm seconded. Grimm questioned the position of Captain. Eric Brungard reported that the fire company will appoint the Captain. Grimm added that certifications will be in hand prior to each appointee being sworn in.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>Sewer</u> – Closing is scheduled for 9/23. Grimm reminded Council to think about sewer rate increases at budget time.

Recreation – Council will need to think about budgeting for implementation of the Master Plan.

<u>Personnel</u> – Council approved Walizer's vacation request for October 23rd.

Airport – LaRocque distributed minutes. The next meeting is scheduled for October.

ADJOURN:

REGULAR MINUTES August 13, 2009

President Pat Gensib called Flemington Borough Council meeting held Thursday, August 13, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. to order. Roll call showed the following Council present: Grimm; Hoy; Hill; Shope; Gensib; Dion; LaRocque and Mayor Durkin. Also present was Jo LaRocque and Express Reporter Wendy Stiver and First National Bank Reps Michael Shuey and Larry Ferree.

The minutes of the July 2009 Meetings were approved with corrections.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Michael Shuey, First National Bank's Government Banking Division presented Council with a proposal to expand our banking relationship with First National. He reported a competitive match with PLGIT with free checks, 100% liquidity and an additional 20 basis points. They offer online banking, preauthorized drafts and the desktop banker. He added that the Business Analysis Checking rates will be able to offset the fees for each option chosen. LaRocque confirmed with Mr. Shuey that the program is pooled collateral. Council thanked them for their proposal and added that reorganization is held in January.

Gibson reported that DBE Solicitation is no longer a concern relating to the PENNVEST closing dates. He added that Woodward Township's issues are currently holding up the closing, which is now likely to take place in late to mid-September. Gibson urged Council to hold a Special Meeting to approve the Sewer Connection Ordinance for advertising so that it is in place prior to construction. Grimm motioned to schedule a Special Meeting September 1st at 7:00 p.m.; Hill and Shope seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Permits: Walizer reported that 0 zoning permits were issued since the last meeting.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer (OEO):

Planning Commission:

COMMUNICATIONS:

FINANCIAL:

Council approved the Financial Statement and bill sheet totaling General \$29,613.99; Sewer \$13,964.24; Highway Aid \$0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

<u>Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement Fire Police</u> – Shope rescinded her motion to approve the previous version of the Agreement; LaRocque seconded. Shope motioned to approve the revised agreement to include *Section F, Execution of Agreement*, which basically means each municipality can sign a separate document and together be considered one; Grimm seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Shady Drive</u> – Grimm motioned to approve naming of the dirt road off of Woods Avenue as Shady Lane; Hill seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>Sewer</u> – Travel for inspector is only charged if the contractor quits early. Hoy motions to retain Williams Inspection Services at \$50/hr.; Grimm seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

<u>Recreation</u> — Grimm motioned to send "thank you" letters to Career Link and the Park Rec. Program Supervisor along with the Career Link worker Travis Bennet; Shope seconded. Motion unanimously carried. Grimm stated that clarification is needed on Gebhardt's land proposal. St. Lukes is offering the Borough 18' by 225' of land along the ballfield in exchange for the Borough maintaining the vegetation only. Further maintenance of the bank will be the church's responsibility. McTish will handle the paperwork.

REGULAR MINUTES August 13, 2009

<u>Personnel</u> – Grimm motioned to make Jamie Nyman a full-time status employee as of July 15th. He is now eligible for insurance and other benefits. His wage will increase from \$11.50 to \$12/hr; LaRocque seconded. Motion unanimously carried by roll-call vote. Charity requests vacation be granted for 8/21, 28 & 9/18; Hill motioned to approve; LaRocque and Grimm seconded. Motion unanimously carried. <u>Finance</u> – Grimm reported that the Finance Committee will continue to seek bank proposals for 2010.

ADJOURN: 8:25 p.m.

ATTEST: Charity H. Walizer

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COMMUNICATIONS

Were listed for review.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dan Grenninger attended the meeting to request moving the "Watch Children" sign in front of his residence further from his property as to warn motorists that there are children in the neighborhood in a more timely manner. He reported to Council that his previous request was denied by the Streets Chairman. Council will consider his request.

Deputy Fire Chief Jonathan Temple reported that there were six fire call since the last meeting. There has been an average of approximately four personnel responding per call. Temple introduced Fire Captain Eric Brungard to Council. Temple requested that the dirt lane on Woods Avenue be named. He reported that emergency personnel have had issues in the previous month locating an individual in that area. Gensib questioned why the ambulance was blocking the squad on August 9th. Temple explained the battery was dead at the time.

Several residents from James and Bressler Streets attended the meeting to submit a verbal complaint against the Eoute property on James Street. It was reported that the Eoutes own a large number of dogs that are said to be barking at all hours of the days and night for long periods of time. Council reported that the OEO has been investigating the issue. Charity will be contacting the SPCA to inquire about limitations on the number of dogs permitted within a household.

Kevin Ransom of Frederick Street attended the meeting to report his efforts in relocating his fence that has created an issue between him and his neighbor. He apologized for any inconvenience to the Borough Office, etc. caused by the dispute.

OEO REPORT - Distributed his report for Council to review. Shope questioned the sign on High Street at Sears. Grimm questioned the status on the stagnant pool on Furst Street. Durkin reported on incident with a resident at 432 Woods Avenue on burning. Grimm reported that the resident is able to burn as long as it is for cooking purposes.

FINANCIAL

Bill Sheet/Financial Statement - The bills and financial statement for the month were distributed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ROBB – Hearing to be held August 14th at 9:00 a.m. in the large courtroom.

FIRE POLICE AGREEMENT – Council to review for passing with revisions to Section F, Execution of Agreement, which basically means each municipality can sign a separate document and together be considered one.

NEW BUSINESS

WOODWORK TWP SEWER ORDINANCE – Being revised by Faulkner to suit Flemington.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sewer - Contacts have been made with possible inspectors for the Hill Section Sewer Project to no avail.

Work Session August 10, 2009

Hoy was referred to Williams Inspection Services at \$50/hr. with no additional costs unless the contractors hours hamper the inspector's schedule. Hoy will clarify travel questions with the firm before Thursday. Gibson reported that Bowman's DBE Solicitation is still incomplete. Gensib suggested a deadline be set on Thursday.

Recreation – Public Meeting is scheduled for August 13th at 6:00 p.m. The St. Lukes Church has proposed an agreement for the borough to acquire the land in return for the vegetation being cut on the bank.

<u>Personnel</u> – Jamie Nyman's probationary period has ended, however was not brought before Council for approval. Council will address Thursday. Charity requests vacation be granted for 8/21, 28 & 9/18.

<u>Finance</u> – EIT Collection Committee will meet 8/18. Grimm reported that the Finance Committee has been obtaining bank proposals and may suggest a new depository be considered for 2010. LaRocque suggested a Budget vs. Actual report be printed monthly for Council. Grimm commented that monthly may not be necessary and suggested quarterly be sufficient. There were no objections to Grimm's suggestion.

Zoning – The Committee went over the wants and needs for the zoning amendments with the consultant. Next meeting will be held August 26th with Leonora Hannagan; September 30th with the consultant.

<u>Airport</u> – A 20-year plan has been proposed for upgrades to the airport. Flemington has been invited to assist in the plan. The final plan is expected for June 2010. The Committee will meet again later this month.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Suburban will be replacing a valve on Frederick Street 8/11 at 11:00 p.m.

ADJOURN: 8:30 p.m.

ATTEST: Charity H. Walizer

REGULAR MINUTES July 9, 2009

President Pat Gensib called Flemington Borough Council meeting held Thursday, July 9, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. to order. Roll call showed the following Council present: Grimm; Hoy; Hill; Shope; Gensib; Dion; LaRocque and Mayor Durkin. Also present was "Hi Neighbor" Committee member Bill Smith.

The minutes of the June 2009 Meetings were approved with corrections.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bill Smith reported that the Summer Fest was cancelled due to inclement weather. An Ice Cream Social has been planned for August 15th at 3:00 p.m. for Flemington residents. Recent and forthcoming "Hi Neighbor" activities include: sponsoring a home town heroes banner and Christmas Parade Saturday after Thanksgiving. Gensib asked that they contact the Mayor to schedule the Fire Police for the event. This years' scholarship recipient was Aaron Boone. The award will be sent to the University of his choice. The Committee is looking into purchasing a lighted sign to post their events. They would like to be included in the planning for the Park Master Plan. Grimm asked what was done with the leftover food since the Summer Fest was cancelled. Smith reported that some was donated to churches, some to Susqueview, etc. Hoy stated his opposition to the proposed fireworks display the committee plans to do for Susqueview residents. He feels it is an excellent idea. However, feels liability is an issue. Council also requested that all projects be brought before Council prior to them taking place.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

<u>Permits</u>: Walizer reported that 0 zoning permits were issued since the last meeting.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer (OEO):

Planning Commission:

COMMUNICATIONS: Shope suggested Charity attend grant writing seminar. Gensib stated all trainings are a lengthy distance away.

FINANCIAL:

The bill sheet totaling General \$48,557.04; Sewer \$2,344.65; Highway Aid \$30,300.93; was presented for Council's approval. Shope motioned to approve with additions noted; LaRocque seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Hill motioned to accept the financial statement; Grimm seconded. Motion unanimously carried. Shope pointed out that the Revenues and Expenditures presented on Monday reflected an incorrect date.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

<u>Robb Complaint</u> – LaRocque motioned to submit petition to abate nuisance at 666 Woods Avenue; Grimm seconded. Motion was carried unanimously by roll-call vote.

Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement Fire Police — Shope questioned training requirements and procedures. She suggested that this be followed up on for all members. A file for certifications has been started in the borough office. Hill suggested a policy be enforced for certification requirements along with a policy for requesting service from the Fire Police. Hoy pointed out that there is nothing in the agreement with Emergency Services that allows for swearing in by the magistrate. Temple stated that he will approach Council with a list of those wishing to be Fire Police members. Shope motioned to approve the agreement; Grimm seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Salt Bids</u> – Cargill \$71.50/ton; Mid-Atlantic Salt \$89.60/ton. Grimm motioned to accept the quote obtained from Cargill at \$71.50/ton; Hill seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

<u>State Police Tax</u> – Grimm motioned to send a letters to our State Representatives and the Borough's Association opposing the proposed bill taxing municipalities for State Police Services; LaRocque seconded. Motion unanimously carried.

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REGULAR MINUTES July 9, 2009

Sewer Connection Ordinance — Grimm motioned to send Woodward Township's ordinance off to Faulkner to draft for advertising at the August meeting; Hill seconded. Motion unanimously carried. Insurance Renewal - Selective \$16,610 and Euclid \$20,743. Last year's premium was \$15,792. The Borough's Workman's Comp experience mod is cause for the increase for 2009 due to a claim from 2006. This claim will remain on our record for another year. Hoy motioned to renew with Selective; Shope seconded. Motion unanimously carried by roll-call vote.

<u>Inspection & Supplemental Engineering Services</u> – Grimm motioned to request \$17,000 be set aside from the PennVest Loan to allow for inspection and supplemental engineering services. Several local inspectors have been contact with no luck of availability.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets – Shope suggested that the crew be more aware of site obstructions at intersections following the Express's news article of the Huston Street motor vehicle accident earlier this week. Hoy agreed. Durkin added that there are obstacles in the site triangle. Gensib suggested the Mayor and Ordinance Enforcement Officer inspect the intersections for violations. A resident reported that people are traveling the wrong way on Walnut Drive (one-way alley). Gensib stated there is nothing we can do to enforce it. Shope stated that if it is happening continuously at the same time of the day, the State Police may patrol the area.

Recreation – New toilets were placed in the restrooms—the old ones were cracked. Photos were taken of the newly found boundary lines at the park. Lamar Alley is not shown in any deeds found by the surveyors. Charity asked that a set of photos be made for keeping in the borough office.

Personnel – Brungard requests to attend the Bradco Appreciation Day August 20th. Grimm added there will be demos that may be helpful for the crew to attend. Gensib suggests they both attend. Grimm motioned the crew attend with one private vehicle and be paid mileage; Shope seconded motioned unanimously carried.

ADJOURN: 8:25 p.m.

ATTEST: Charity H. Walizer

Work Session July 6, 2009

President Gensib called to order the work session of the Flemington Borough Council. Flemington Borough Council present at work session July 6, 2009, Patrick Gensib; Mayor Durkin; Mary Ann Dion; Paul LaRocque; Catherine Shope; Albert Hill; and Steve Hoy. Also present was Foreman Bill Brungard, Engineer Steve Gibson, Beth Riccardo from Gearhart, Herr Insurance and Deputy Fire Chief Jonathan Temple. Absent was Dave Grimm.

COMMUNICATIONS

LaRocque questioned why the Borough received Occupation Change Forms.

Faulkner responded to Council's question regarding advertising requirements for committee meetings. He stated that advertising *is* required if advice is being rendered to Council on the issues discussed during such committee meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Beth Riccardo presented the renewal figures for the Borough's Commercial Coverage: Selective \$16,610 and Euclid \$20,743. Last year's premium was \$15,792. The Borough's Workman's Comp experience mod is cause for the increase for 2009 due to a claim from 2006. This claim will remain on our record for another year.

Deputy Fire Chief Jonathan Temple reported that there was one fire call since the last meeting. There are presently 20 members in the fire company at this time. Temple asked that the Borough and Fire Company coordinate efforts to help one another rather than the Borough assisting with jobs on the fire/ambulance side of the building without notifying the board. Hoy stated that the organizations should work together with proper communication. Temple requested the status of the meeting room wall project. He reported that the Borough previously agreed to provide the materials and labor for the job as quoted from the Fire Company meeting minutes. Temple also asked what Council's wishes were on the Fire Police if what was formerly Station 48 is able to reorganize to be in compliance with the law. Durkin requested that all certified Fire Police Officers provide the borough with their training certificates for the file. Hoy asked that the swearing-in guidelines be clarified.

Engineer Steve Gibson reported that surveyors were at the park July 7th obtaining surface data and base map records. The first Steering Committee meeting is expected to be held the 3rd week of July.

He reported that a tentative award letter has been sent to Bowman's contingent upon their DBE solicitation. Closing date is still to be determined but is anticipated for August. Several names were mentioned as possible contacts for inspectors for the Hill Section Project. Mayor Durkin suggested Brungard handle the inspection. However, Brungard does not feel comfortable with this type of project. He feels someone who is trained for this type of work would be more beneficial for the Borough. Gibson will contact PennVest to assure that money is able to be designated for inspection costs.

OEO REPORT - Distributed his report for Council to review. **FINANCIAL**

Bill Sheet/Financial Statement - The bills and financial statement for the month were distributed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

<u>ROBB</u> – Cost to file the Complaint against Scott Robb under the Housing Ordinance is \$98.50 for filing with the Prothonatary and \$35.05 for the Sheriff's office to serve the papers.

<u>INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT FIRE POLICE</u> – Hoy questioned the callout procedures. Gensib stated they are requested by the chief on scene and then dispatched by the Com Center.

NEW BUSINESS

SALT BIDS – Cargill \$71.50; Mid-Atlantic Salt \$89.60 – Last year's quote from Cargill was \$66.95. STATE POLICE TAX – Council suggested we write letters to our State Representatives and the Borough's Association announcing our opposition.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Sewer</u> – Charity distributed a copy of Woodward Township's Sewer Connection Ordinance for Council to consider adopting one similar to fit Flemington's needs. The Hill Section Rehabilitation Project is expected to close in August, begin in September and finish in November.

<u>Streets</u> – It was reported that a sign erected at Sears is within the site triangle of Allison and High Streets.

<u>Personnel</u> – Brungard requests to attend Bradco Customer Appreciation Day August 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

<u>Finance</u> – CD is scheduled to renew in the amount of \$131,860.50 less \$19,729.60, which will go towards the 2009 Street Project.

CCEP - Shope applied for Leadership Clinton County.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Zoning Committee meets 7/27 4:30-6:30 p.m. at City Hall

ADJOURN: 8:36 p.m.

ATTEST: Charity H. Walizer