

**DALLASTOWN BOROUGH  
175 E. BROAD STREET  
DALLASTOWN, PA 17313  
OCTOBER 15, 2013 – 7:00 PM  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The October 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Dallastown Borough Council was called to order by Council President, Ronald Smith, followed by prayer, pledge of allegiance and roll call.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ronald Smith – President  
Richard Bogart – Vice President  
Tomas Metz – President Pro Tem  
Quay Markel  
Bernell Kohler  
Karen Hoyt-Stewart  
Gina Smith

**ALSO PRESENT**

Terry Meyers, Sr.-Mayor  
Connie Stokes – Borough Manager  
David Jones – Stock & Leader - Solicitor  
Steve Malesker – C.S. Davidson - Engineer  
Richard Resh – C.S. Davidson  
Joe Joines – Borough Maintenance

**VISITORS**

Ernest Smeltzer – 251 Kirsta Lane, Dallastown  
Dennis Daugherty, Sr. – 177 Maylyn Avenue, Dallastown  
Keith Metzler – 115 April Lane, Dallastown  
Kim Sterner – 211 Kirsta Lane, Dallastown  
Art & Ann Herrold – 681 Colonial Drive, Dallastown  
Dick Fallert – 640 Colonial Drive, Dallastown  
Charles Mooney – 660 Colonial Drive, Dallastown  
Mike Moritz – 155 April Lane, Dallastown  
Paul Grove – 220 Kirsta Lane, Dallastown  
Elaine Fass – 633 Colonial Drive, Dallastown  
Austin & Laura Koller – 215 Teila Drive, Dallastown  
Terry Sprenkle – 215 Teila Drive, Dallastown

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Read by Mr. Bogart.

- ◆ October 17<sup>th</sup> – Halloween Parade is at 7:00 pm
- ◆ October 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> – PSAB Conference in Pittsburgh
- ◆ October 29<sup>th</sup> – Stock & Leader is sponsoring several topics of interest to municipal groups
- ◆ October 31<sup>st</sup> – Trick or Treat/Witch Watch from 6:00 to 8:00 pm
- ◆ November 9<sup>th</sup> – YCBA Meeting/Annual Banquet at The Great American Saloon beginning at 6:00 pm

**APPROVAL OF 9/9/13 MEETING MINUTES**

**Motion:** Mr. Bogart moved and was seconded by Mr. Markel to approve the 9/9/13 meeting minutes as presented.

**Motion carried 7-0.**

**APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**Motion:** Mr. Kohler moved and was seconded by Mr. Metz to approve the payment of bills as presented.  
**Motion carried 7-0.**

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Motion:** Mr. Markel moved and was seconded by Mr. Kohler to approve the financial statements as presented.  
**Motion carried 7-0.**

**YORK AREA REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE** – Not present

**FIRE COMPANY REPORT** – Chief Ehrhart was not present.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

- ◆ September 5<sup>th</sup> – Attended the Dallastown Historical Society Meeting – concerned with the upcoming anniversary
- ◆ September 28<sup>th</sup> – Performed a wedding at the Borough Hall & \$100 was donated to the Historical Society.

**RECREATION**

- ◆ The Halloween Parade is in the final stages. There are approximately 60 participants not counting the fire/ambulance companies. The Council members who are riding the float are asked to report to the beginning of the parade no later than 6:30 pm.
- ◆ Christmas in Dallastown is Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00 to 3:00. Dallastown Recreation was responsible for the vendors at the Fire Hall. The Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary will be doing the food at that location.
- ◆ The Tree/Town Lighting Ceremony in front of the American Legion on W. Main Street and Children’s Christmas Party at the Fire Hall will be held Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.
- ◆ There was a discussion concerning “No Smoking” in the Community Park. Ms. Stokes stated that it is getting bad and the Park needs to be cleaned up daily. Some of the neighboring municipalities have an ordinance for their parks. The question was how they enforce it and would it be the same as littering. Attorney Jones will look into the littering law. Mr. Smith or Mr. Metz will check with the local magistrate for his opinion.

Mayor Meyers had a conversation with a Borough resident, Gene Snyder, concerning the Park. Mr. Snyder stated that he likes to walk in the Park, but does not feel safe with all the large groups of kids congregating there.

**VISITORS**

- ◆ Austin Koller of 215 Teila Drive apologized to Council for entering the park pavilion and stealing soda. He returned a carton full of soda with the apology and the assurance that he learned his lesson and it will not happen again. His apology was accepted.
- ◆ Rebecca Thiigs & Catherine Spence, members of the Library Board, addressed Council on behalf of the Kaltreider-Benfer Library. They wanted to thank Council for their generous support over the years. They provided Council with a highlight sheet of the resources the library has provided and will continue to provide in the future. The library is more than just books, they provide all kinds of resources including computer labs and children’s programming. They also have a great summer reading program.

58% of Dallastown residents have a library card. Fundraisers are held throughout the year, including one which was held last weekend. These fundraisers help fund the programs & services. They thanked Council for the \$4300.00 donation in 2013. Mr. Bogart stated that their staff and volunteers do a good job.

### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

- ◆ A sample copy of an open container ordinance was given to the Council members at the September meeting for their review. Attorney Jones asked if there were any questions. He explained that the fines were increased to cover the police expenses. Non-profits are already covered but specifics can be added if necessary. Attorney Jones will check to see if police time is paid for with court costs.

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Richard Resh:

- ◆ York Township's Attorney, Steve Hovis, contacted Mr. Resh concerning York Township cost sharing for any pipeline rehabilitation work. Municipalities are allowed to bill for pipeline costs, but there is only one manhole line being used by York Township. Attorney Jones will look into.
- ◆ SWERP is currently 1 month into the 2013 sewer repair project. A letter was sent to Mr. Resh requesting a time extension due to inclement weather causing delays in a project they are working on in New Jersey. The time extension requested is through December 19<sup>th</sup>. This extension is at no cost to the Borough.

**Motion:** Mr. Metz moved and was seconded by Mr. Markel to grant SWERP the time extension through December 19, 2013 and for Council President to execute the extension contract.

**Motion carried 7-0.**

- ◆ Mr. Resh sent a letter to Ms. Stokes on September 17<sup>th</sup> with several different financing options for a gravity sewer system to serve Colonial Park and new pump station at the Deller Farm. This letter was shared with Council. There were options for repayment of the \$1M interest free borough loan ranging from 20 to 40 years, potential York Township contributions and sewer rental, plus the possibility of rebates for low income families. Attorney Jones will research the rebate feasibility and legality. The floor was opened for questions:  
Charles Mooney – 660 Colonial Drive – He thinks research should be done on the possible residential construction to be done in the Borough. The Bray property is unsuitable for construction due to being too sloped. The Deller Farm is the last undeveloped section of the Borough and those units are not being relied on.
- ◆ Since both pressure & gravity sewer system options were presented and discussed and the residents are in favor of the gravity system, Mr. Smith asked Council if they were ready to make a decision on the type of system.

**Motion:** Mr. Bogart moved and was seconded by Mr. Metz to continue looking at the gravity sewer system only.

Ms. Hoyt-Stewart asked about the two households that now have the pressure system. Mr. Resh stated that they can continue with the grinder pump and would only have minimal plumbing changes.

**Motion carried 7-0.**

- ◆ The next thing to be decided is the time schedule, 6 or 10 years. Some of the residents would like to see the project done sooner, but some would like to see it delayed. It would be helpful to get a response from all the Colonial Park residents. The project module must still be submitted to DEP in order to get

extension approval to 10 years. Mr. Deller should also have some input as to time frame. The negotiation team for the Deller Farm should move forward.

- ◆ Mr. Smith asked Mr. Resh to do a more clear financial format to explain all the options for Council and all the residents in Colonial Park. Council will give Mr. Resh the parameters in order to fine-tune. A suggestion was made to also consult an accountant or financial advisor for input in order to have a serious discussion. Ms. Stokes will check with Darryl Peck, the financial advisor that the Borough works with. Every decision has financial ramifications.
- ◆ Ms. Hoyt-Stewart asked if the rebate program which York City is using is state of federally subsidized. The answer was “no”.
- ◆ The Corrective Action Plan Status Report #6 was sent to DEP last Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. This outlined work performed since July 15<sup>th</sup>. It did not reflect all the rainfall from last Thursday & Friday. The manholes that were relined held up good through all the rain.

Steve Malesker:

- ◆ Mr. Malesker gave an update on the E. Howard Street Project. The water portion will be completed by the end of next week. The curb & sidewalk portion has also started. The curb should be poured this Thursday. There is still quite a bit of sidewalk to be poured. At the November meeting he should have the application for payment for Barnes & Barnes.
- ◆ Mr. Bogart asked how the stormwater management basins fared after all the rain last week. Mr. Malesker stated there were no problems with Locust or any of the basins.

#### **BUSINESS FOR ACTION** – N/A

#### **BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION/INFORMATION**

- ◆ Mr. Metz asked about the continuing issues at the Community Park. He questioned whether or not there is any signage concerning the cameras. Ms. Stokes will have that checked out.
- ◆ Dallastown-Yoe Water Authority was featured in an article by Keystone Tap & PA Rural Water.
- ◆ The ballot is soon going out for the YARPD Member at Large.

#### **REPORTS**

- ◆ Police Reports
- ◆ Yoe Ambulance Report
- ◆ Red Lion Ambulance Report
- ◆ Animal Control Report

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Mr. Metz moved and was seconded by Mr. Kohler to adjourn the meeting.

**Motion carried 7-0. 8:28 PM**

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan A. Wertz