

MINUTES
INDIAN LAKE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 2017

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Indian Lake Borough Council was held on February 8, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at the Indian Lake Borough Building.

THOSE PRESENT:

Lynn Shimer, President
Patricia Dewar
Robert Hanson
Scott Hollern
Robert Marhefka
Terry St. Clair
Michael Miscoe, Mayor
Daniel Rullo, Solicitor
Jerry Bellak, Police Chief
David Wood, Zoning Officer
Dean Snyder, Water and Sewer Operator and Outside Superintendent
Theresa L. Weyant, Borough Manager

THOSE ABSENT:

Curtis Morgese

Visitors – Jason Knipple, Bobbie Andrews, Josh Probst, Richard Stern, Chris Smith, and Don and Gay Reed.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Lynn Shimer, Council President.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Hanson made a motion to ratify the hiring of Jason Knipple and Bobbie Andrews as part-time police officers with a starting salary of \$12.00 per hour with a three (3) month probationary period. After the probationary period, their salaries will be increased to \$13.00 per hour. Hollern seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

At this time, Mayor Miscoe introduced the part-time police officers, Jason Knipple and Bobbie Andrews, to Council and proceeded with the swearing in ceremony.

1. Approve the Minutes of the Public Hearing Held on January 11, 2017 - Shimer asked for additions and/or corrections. There being none, Hanson made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Hollern seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Approve the Minutes of the Meeting Held on January 11, 2017 - Shimer asked for additions and/or corrections. There being none, Hanson made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Hollern 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. Hollern 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. Hollern seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

3. Welcome Visitors – Josh Probst, Richard Stern, Chris Smith, and Don and Gay Reed.

4 Public Comment:

Josh Probst, 899 Huckleberry Highway – Mr. Probst informed Council that he is applying for a permit to raise approximately 1,000 pheasants on his property, which is located at 899 Huckleberry Highway and is zoned Agricultural. They are raising these pheasants to sell to a local hunting preserve in the fall. Mr. Probst needs a Propagation Permit from the Pennsylvania Game Commission and the first thing that he needs is a letter from the Borough stating that he is allowed to raise these game birds on his property. He will be constructing flight pens to contain the bird. After a discussion, Hanson made a motion to authorize David Wood to send a letter on behalf of the Borough supporting Mr. Probst raising the pheasants on his property. St. Clair seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Chris Smith from Northwinds Golf Course addressed Council on the LCT Energy Deep Mine Permit. Mr. Smith has spoken with Richard Kormanik, from the Department of Environmental Protection's California District Office, on the issue of mine subsidence from the LCT Energy Proposed Deep Mine. Mr. Smith was told that LCT Energy has a pre-permit application submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection and it should be available in a week to review.

5. Dave Wood's January Report of Building Permits Issued.

6. Legal Report:

A. Easement Status – Attorney Rullo informed Council that February 7, 2017 was the last day for the 16 Condemnees to produce the appraisals which should the diminution in market value. Nothing has been received. Attorney Rullo is going to be requesting that the Court issue a sanction to precluded them from offering any testimony relative to the reduction in market value of their property.

B. Wellhead Protection Issue with Well 99-1 – Hanson made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2017-2 adopting the survey performed by Thomas E. Kimmel, P.L.S. of CME Engineering, LP dated January 11, 2017, which depicts the boundary lines of Indian Lake Borough as of January 1, 2017 and to authorize Lynn Shimer to execute the documents necessary to record it. Hollern seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Hanson reported that he did receive a letter from the Department of Environmental Protection that they are returning without action the Borough's request to the reduction in the pumping rate of Well 99-1 from 200 gallons of water per minute to 100 gallons per minute because the Borough does not control the Zone I Wellhead Protection Area.

7. Correspondence:

A. Stonycreek Township Supervisors-Tap Notice – Hanson made a motion to authorize the Borough Manager to complete the application and remit the \$2,000.00 tap-in fee to Stonycreek Township. Dewar seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

8. Committee Reports:

A. Road Report:

1. Ratify Selling the F-450 on Municibid – Hanson made a motion to ratify selling the F-450 on Municibid for the amount of \$7,400.00. Hollern seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

B. Police Report – Chief Bellak reported that the department had 1 investigation, 1 snowmobile complaint and 104 security checks. Total calls for the month were 126. The UCR Reports have been completed for the month.

C. Water & Sewer Report: Hanson reported to Council that the Service Corporation has agreed to take on purchasing the three (3) test water treatment units and will deduct the \$3,000.00 from the Borough's quarterly payment.

9. Old Business: None.

10. New Business: None.

With no further business to discuss, Hanson moved and Hollern seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 P.M. All ayes, motion carried.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Indian Lake Borough Council will be held on March 8, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at the Indian Lake Borough Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa L. Weyant
Borough Secretary