### MARCH 9, 2010

The March Council Meeting was held on 03/09/10 in the Penn Lake Community House. The meeting was called to order by President Jill Rosenstock at 7:30 p.m.with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a moment of silence in honor of our military.

Roll Call: Jill Rosenstock, Barbara Sudimak, Frank Fritz and Jack Kile all present. Ned McGuire was absent. Also present was Mayor Bill Warner.

The February 2010 were presented and placed on display. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Sudimak and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fritz., roll call all in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT was presented and accepted by a motion made by Fritz, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sudimak, roll call all in favor none opposed, motion carried. Copy attached to minutes EXHIBIT A

## RECEIPTS: SEE FOLLOWING ADDENDUM "B"

**BILLS:** A motion was made by Sudimak, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fritz to pay the bills all ayes, none opposed, motion carried. **SEE FOLLOWING ADDENDUM "B"** 

#### CORRESPONDENCE WAS READ

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

President Rosenstock relied that the survey for Terrace Drive had been mailed to the appropriate residents and we were just waiting for the returns. The Planning commission is reviewing and updating code ordinances and will present to the Council when completed.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Recreation- still looking to secure grant money for the Rails to Trails

Summer program will run 2 weeks in July 7/12 and 7/19

Roads- 3 complaints concerning the roads. The snow fall was extremely heavy and every effort was made to keep roads open.

Please be aware that it is the responsibility of every mail receipent to keep their mail box area open. If area is not cleared mail will not be deliverd. B. Sudimak spoke with E.

Petroski, to discuss drainage problem in front of Barbara Fisher's and is still waiting to get their engineering view point.

Dam-will be scheduling meeting concerning Dam issues and/or requirements.

Water/Health-contacted Verizon about a cracked Pole

Purchasing/Sewers-contacted Aqua in writing concerning the rate increase, will report next meeting.

Police-no calls. Will be meeting with White Haven Police/Borough to discuss the feasibility of joining forces.

Zoning Officer, Keith Wheeler-not present. President Rosenstock read Keith' report

- 1. Issues with cars parked along the sides of the road impeding snow plowing
- 2. re-doing zoning permits
- 3. Documented his miles

Jack Kile questioned where he is charging miles from. Attorney Karpovich asked what if any agreement was made with Mr. Wheeler. The council will discuss this matter with Mr. Wheeler.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Rosenstock and Kile met with FEMA represents last month there are new regulations, there will be new properties in the flood plain and some that will come out. After review of the new maps people in and out of the flood zone will be notified. More in coming meetings.

Jack Varlay met with Planning Commission to discuss changes. Planning commission will decide at their March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting and then forward to Borough for action, if agreed, at their April Borough Meeting.

A motion was made by Sudimak and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fritz to advertise zoning and SALDO amendments. All ayes, none opposed, motion carried.

Council received a DEP survey, which related that the overall water quality is good. It is requested that Borough residents used the Borough phone line to contact the Borough. Once again, the phone number is 570-443-8017 leave a message for the appropriate line.

# **QUESTIONS/AND/OR COMMENTS:**

Several residents questioned the Borough's pursuit of grant money for the Rails to Trails claiming that other municipalities are having trouble with unsavory people using the Trails.

Paul Rogan wants a tax reduction for the Penn Lake Association and was questioning the ownership of the land under the Community House. Attorney Karpovich will pursue and report in April. Mr. Rogan also asked council for its permission to hold a Wedding/Reception in the ball field. Council will check on liability and get back to Mr. Rogan.

Betty McGarrigan questioned the physical addresses on some tax bills. There have been some changes on some of the tax bills. If you have a tax bill with a wrong address, you need to contact Luzerne County Assessors Office, 200 N. River St. Wilkes Barre, PA 18711 to make changes. Also explained was the cap that the County had set for the 1<sup>st</sup> year of reassessment (not being more than 10%). That 10% was only held for the 1<sup>st</sup> year.

Council and all Borough Residents request that when walking your animals you kindly pick up any mess that the animal may leave. This is a courtesy to all Borough Residents and will help keep Penn Lake clean.

Jack Glass asked again about what, if any, resolution had been made with regard to his sewer hook up fee. Attorney Karpovich explained the Borough position based on the correspondence with the prior Council and zoning officer. Discussion ensued. Council decided to make no final decision until the April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** was made by Kile, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fritz all in favor none opposed, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo Beckerman Secretary