# MINUTES GREENCASTLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING February 3, 2014 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Robert Eberly, Council President Charles Eckstine, Council Members Wade Burkholder, Larry Faight, Jim Farley, Craig Myers, Matthew Smith, Frank Webster. Absent was Junior Council Member Samantha King. Also present were Borough Manager Susan Armstrong and Borough Secretary Ericka Faight.

Council President Eckstine announced that an executive session was held at 6:00 p.m. to discuss personnel and litigation.

### **Public Comment**

No public comment.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

On a Webster/Farley motion, Council voted unanimously to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

# Minutes of previous meeting

Borough Council Reorganization and Regular Meeting, January 6, 2014

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

# Report of Disbursement and Payment of Bills

On a Burkholder/Smith motion, Council voted unanimously to approve the January 2014 Disbursement Report in the amount of \$ 117,810.90

# **President's Report**

President Eckstine reported on a recent session that he attended involving inflow and infiltration, water into the sewer system, sump pumps, and downspouts etc. and asked if Kevin Hunsberger could address ways the Borough can handle Inflow & Infiltration. One suggestion is to compare water usage and sewer flow amounts. Also the state would like municipalities to be responsible for enforcing storm water tanks for businesses.

# Mayor's Report

Police Chief Phillippy reported that January was an active month and the department will be hosting a class pertaining to Autism that is open to all first responders.

Council Member Burkholder noted that he observed approximately one hundred copies of *The Advertiser* on sidewalks and streets throughout the borough and asked if they can be classified as litter. Mr. Eckstine responded that this has been a challenge in the past due to

public commerce. Mr. Burkholder stated that he didn't have issues with the publication being distributed; only they shouldn't be on the sidewalks and streets. Mr. Myers suggested that more care be taken by the delivery person since residents are not allowed to throw grass or snow into the streets and asked if something could be done to enforce with delivery. Mr. Burkholder then asked if a letter could be sent to the distributor.

# **Reports from Committees**

### A. Administration & Finance

- 1. On a Webster/Smith motion, Council voted unanimously to consider the adoption of an anti-idling policy for Borough vehicles. Said policy would become effective 30 days of the date of Council enactment.
- 2. On a Farley/Webster motion, Council voted unanimously to extend the depository agreement with Susquehanna Bank for three additional years, from February 2, 2014 to February 2, 2017.

### B. Personnel

- 1. On a Myers/Smith motion, Council voted unanimously to accept the resignation of Mr. Thomas R. Pensinger of the Borough of Greencastle Civil Service Commission effective January 8, 2014. Council requested that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. Pensinger for his years of service.
- 2. On a Webster/Burkholder motion, Council voted unanimously to appoint Mr. John R. Ommert to the Borough of Greencastle Civil Service Commission to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Pensinger. Mr. Ommert's partial term is effective immediately and shall expire December 31, 2017.

# C. Public Safety

1. On a Myers/Webster motion, Council voted unanimously to approve a request from the Second Annual Pub Run to close through the Borough of Greencastle on one lane of those roads/streets outlined in said correspondence. The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 19, 2014. The half marathon event is being held to raise money to improve athletic facilities for Greencastle-Antrim and Tuscarora School Districts.

# Correspondence

1. On a Farley/Myers motion, Council voted unanimously to a request from AJ Davenport for approval for police escort through the Borough of Greencastle for the June 1, 2014 Operation God Bless America XXIV event benefitting military veterans.

# **Reports from Council Members**

Council Member Smith stated that there are signs that point motorists through Greencastle

to Interstate 81 and Mayor Eberly suggested asking PennDOT to add the verbiage "south" to the interstate markers so that trucks are aware.

President Eckstine reported that the girls' basketball team was 19-0 with two more regular season games of the season.

Council Member Faight thanked Council for sending him to PSAB's Newly Elected Public Officials Training course, the session was very informative and he offered to share the information he received with anyone who would like an update.

Council Member Webster asked if Council has ever considered an ordinance to address engine brakes.

Borough Manager Armstrong informed everyone that there will be a slideshow presented by GAFCWA member Bud O'Mara in the near future.

Police Chief Phillippy commended the office staff on updating the office. Ms. Armstrong noted that Deanne Gearhart and Ericka Faight worked together to reorganize the office and she was very pleased with the result.

Council adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ericka Faight Borough Secretary