

HARMONY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING And Hearing June 5, 2007

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: John Rice, Russ Otney, Dave Szakelyhidi, Jeff Smith, Gary Habsburg, Chuck Beighey, Harold Herr, and Mayor Cathy Rape.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Sharon McLaughlin
Wade Lon
Harold Herr
Stephen Guest
D. [unclear]
Cathy Rape
Adam Fabian
Michelle Banto
Mark [unclear]
D. [unclear]
Am [unclear]
Chuck Swanson
Jim [unclear]
Frank & Andrea [unclear]
Diane [unclear]
Aucher Beechey
Ray [unclear]
Nancy Hoffmann

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HEARING: The Hearing to hear public comment on an ordinance concerning Parking Lot Definitions was called to order by Council President, Jeff Smith at 7:04 PM.

Mark Sapienza questioned what prompted the ordinance change.

Jeff Smith replied that there was no definition in the Zoning Ordinance of a parking lot. The changes would make the definition more clear.

Mark Sapienza questioned where it was advertised.

Attorney Marshall stated that it was advertised in the Butler Eagle.

The public hearing was closed at 7:08 PM.

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

MINUTES: Chuck Beighey made a motion to approve the May 1, 2007 minutes as presented. Dave Szakelyhidi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS – Agenda Items: No Comments.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Notice from the Federal Emergency Management notifying the Borough that the Skelly property (on Main Street) was removed from the Flood Plain.
2. Information on the Secular Harmony Historic District
3. Copy of the Seneca School District 2007/2008 Budget
4. Seminar information from the Governor's Center
5. Notice of Public Comment Period and Public Meetings
6. WBCA April Minutes
7. Zelienople Police officers called concerning accusations made

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

1. Revision to the Zoning Ordinance
2. Prepared Amendment to the Ordinance concerning Construction Code and Property Maintenance in Harmony. It can be advertised for the July Meeting.

Jeff Smith stated that he thought the amendment was dealing mostly with the fire code. Russ Ottney questioned if there should be an advisory board.

Attorney Marshall is to work with Harold Herr and Harold is to work with Fire Chief, Tim Sapienza concerning the fire code.

Attorney Marshall prepared a draft ordinance concerning revisions to the Flood Plain Ordinance.

Dave Szakelyhidi made a motion to advertise the Flood Plain Ordinance. Harold Herr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BOARD REPORTS:

COG: Jeff Smith reported that the Study Group agreed on the bylaws and funding structure. Tentatively the administration will be handled by Cranberry Township.

HARB: Dave Szakelyhidi recommended Jarod Stewart as a member of the HARB. Attorney Marshall stated that no other office can be held if the person is already on a Board. (Jarod is already on the Zoning Hearing Board).

WATER AUTHORITY: No Report.

PARKS BOARD: No Report.

LIBRARY: No Report.

PLANNING COMMISSION: No Report.

PSAB: No Report.

WBCA: No Report.

ZONING: Zoning Amendments concerning Parking Lots. Gary Habsburg made a motion to adopt the Zoning Changes. Dave Szakelyhidi seconded the motion. Discussion.

John Rice – No

Russ Ottney – No

Dave Szakelyhidi – Yes

Jeff Smith – Yes

Gary Habsburg – Yes

Harold Herr – Yes

Chuck Beighey – Yes

Motion carried.

BOROUGH STAFF REPORTS: The copier lease will expire in three months. Discussion concerning purchasing vs leasing. Sharon McCormick is to get several bids.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Attached.

OLD BUSINESS;

Personnel: No Report.

Finance: No Report.

Streets: Discussion concerning the Mercer Street Drain.

Public Safety: No Report.

Business and Development: Mayor, Cathy Rape questioned if the flags should be left up until July 4. Dave Szakelyhidi stated that he didn't think they would last that long.

