# HARMONY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING July 5, 2005

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

# OTHERS PRESENT:

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## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### MINUTES:

Gary Habsburg made a motion to accept the June 7, 2005 minutes as presented. Dave Szakelyhidi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:

Roger Weaver requested that the Planning Commission communicate the cancellation of meetings.

John Rice questioned if the curbs are going to be painted. He also asked it there is any Fema money left for creek cleanup. There is a propane tank in the creek.

## CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. Zelienople Traffic Study Final Report
- 2. Announced that Harmony Borough received a 1st Place award for their wed site
- 3. Meeting scheduled for July 13 to discuss the I 79 Missing Ramps
- 4. W.B.C.A. Minutes
- 5. Police Report
- 6. Attorney Marshall went to a Fema Preparatory meeting for Flood Map Project
- 7. Parties held over the 4th of July concerning burning need to get a Burning Permit
- 8. Verbal Complaints were received concerning items along roads in Harmony. Turned over to Attorney for guidance.

## SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Attorney Marshall commented that the codification will be ready for the August meeting.

He requested an Executive Session after the meeting to discuss the Mantia Property

Attorney Marshall gave a report on the meeting he attended concerning Fema's Mapping Session.

Harold Herr arrived at 7:05 PM.

A Building Permit is required for grading before construction for land development.

It was brought to Council's attention that Blackie Such's property, the Park and Bergstrum's property is not in the Historic District. The map needs corrected.

FINANCE: No report.

PHYSICAL ASSETS: Gary Habsburg reported that the Ford Dealer had been in contact with him. The Borough should have the truck in August.

Discussion on the upkeep on the parking lot on Spring Street.

Cathy Rape brought to Council attention that the culvert is broken at the end of Jackson Street.

Dave Szakelyhidi made a motion to put a construction fence at the end of Jackson Street.

Gary Habsburg requested that Dave amend the motion to put "No Trespassing" signs at the end of Jackson Street. Dave amended the motion as requested. Gary seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### PUBLIC SAFETY:

Cathy Rape asked if Council wanted involved in putting house numbers on houses. Discussion. The Crime Watch Committee will look into it.

Discussion on properties in the Borough with high grass, unfinished landscaping, broken windows etc. Letters are to be sent concerning the properties being a nuisance.

"Crime Watch" signs are up.

## OLD BUSINESS:

Dave Szakelyhidi made a motion to find the Wahl property not guilty of the nuisance ordinance. Harold Herr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion on the Harmony Parking Lot was tabled because the Planning Commission was cancelled for June.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussion concerning Rita Hahn's letter in reference to water on her driveway.

## **BILLS PAYABLE:**

Dave Szakelyhidi made a motion to pay all bills as presented. Harold Herr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## PUBLIC COMMENT:

**Dave Morrow** brought to Council's attention that a resident, on Spring Street, is running a business out of his home and employees are living out of a box van. Matter turned over to the Zoning Officer.

Brenda Benek questioned the burning ordinance.

Cathy Rape questioned who took the sign down for Grace Church that recognized them for their work during the flood?

EXECUTIVE SESSION called at 8:10 PM.

Out of Executive Session at 8:17 PM.

Harold Herr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gary Habsburg seconded the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Sharon L. McCormick

Secretary