HARMONY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING February 6, 2007

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

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CALL TO ORDER:

Council President, Jeff Smith called the Council Meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

MINUTES:

Harold Herr made a motion to approve the January 2, 2007 minutes as presented. Dave Szakelyhidi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS: (Agenda Items)

No comments.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1. CD of Patriotic Music
- 2. Info from PSAB Service Awards
- 3. Training Info
- 4. Notice from Armstrong Cable concerning increase
- 5. Letter from Butler County Fire Chief's Association

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Attorney, Matthew Marshall discussed Premier Power Solution's rates

BOARD REPORTS:

COG: Next meeting is March 12, 2007

HARB: No Report.

WATER AUTHORITY: Letters were sent to the developer who is looking at Swampoodle concerning Townhouses going on the property

PARKS BOARD: Harold Herr reported. The Board requested an ordinance be adopted prohibiting the feeding of certain waterfowl in Harmony Borough. Harold made a motion to advertise the ordinance. Dave Szakelyhidi seconded the motion. Discussion. Motion carried.

LIBRARY: No Report.

PLANNING COMMISSION: No Report.

PSAB: No Report.

WBCA: Dave Szakelyhidi made a motion to appoint Harold Herr to WBCA for a 5 year term. Russ Ottney seconded the motion. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

Superintendent's Report attached.

Superintendent, Wade Ion requested permission for him and Frank Grannon to attend a meeting with LTAP concerning asphalt roads on April 18. John Rice made a motion go give them permission to attend. Harold Herr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Personnel: No Report

Finance: No Report.

Streets: No Report.

Public Safety: Discussion on width of Mercer Street to allow for no parking.

Russ Ottney made a motion to authorize the engineer to see if it is feasible to put parking back on Mercer Street. John Rice seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Facilities: Spread Sheets were presented from Premier Power showing savings of electricity costs. Savings would be \$400 per year for the Borough and \$1,000 a year for the Water Authority. Discussion. Attorney Marshall asked for minor changes. Harold Herr suggested tabling the matter until Matt researched it.

Dave Szakelyhidi made a motion to approve going with Premier Power subject to no switching costs. Harold Herr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Water Authority will rectify the motion at their next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Personnel. No Report.

Finance: Discussed E.M.S. Tax reimbursements.

Streets: Volkner Paving was contacted to possibly get the water out of the low area between Main and Mercer.

Public Safety:

Russ Ottney stated that he is interested in a traffic speeder control

Facilities: The lights in the garage are to be replaced by coil lights.

Business and Development: Attorney Marshall discussed potential Development in the Swampoodle area. Discussion on water source. A letter is to be sent requesting to see the plans when Jackson TWP sees them.

Creekside was sold to Chris Kaslic. The work may begin in the Spring.

Bicentennial Items: Russ Ottney made a motion to sell the remaining items for \$200 to the Historic Society. Harold Herr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Business Community Meeting: Jeff Smith gave a brief report of the meeting and handed out the 2007 Business Directories.

Summer Concert Series & New Years Eve Celebration: Harold Herr made a motion to authorize Street closings for the Concerts. Dave Szakelyhidi seconded the motion.

Dave Szakelyhidi made a motion authorizing the Borough to sign for the 2007 fireworks. Gary Habsburg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion on the German New Years Eve - begins at noon and ends at 6:00 PM.

Russ Ottney proposed that the Business Development Committee look at the Borough purchasing Tyco.

BILLS PAYABLE: Gary Habsburg made a motion to pay all bills as presented. Dave Szakelyhidi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

John Ruch expressed concern about flooding when the new development goes in. He stated that Historic Harmony will be approaching officials as to why they allow building in the flood plain.

Stated that he liked the idea of purchasing Tyco.

He also reminded Council that the Harmonyfest is Saturday evening.

Harold Herr made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon L. McCormick

Secretary