

July 1, 2008

# HARMONY BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

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**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** John Rice, Frank Luek, Dave Szakelyhidi, Jeff Smith, Michelle Barto, Gary Habsburg, Dave Eberle, and Mayor Cathy Rape.

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

*Council Meeting  
On July 1, 2008  
Worship  
Sharon McConnel  
Michelle Barto  
Cathy Rape  
Frank Luek  
Bruce Ziegler  
Betty Bolles  
Gary Habsburg  
Audrey Buckley  
Diane Bremner  
FRANK & ANDREA GIANNON*

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

Jeff Smith, Council President, called the June 3, 2008 Council Meeting to order at 7:004PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**MINUTES:**

Frank Luek made a motion to approve the June 4, 2008 minutes as presented. Michelle Barto seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS (agenda items only)** No comments.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Information on various classes and training
2. Notice of Paragon Bankruptcy reopened
3. Letter from PennDOT – their review of Liquid Fuel Fund showed the Borough was in compliance
4. Letter from Cranberry TWP Supervisors thanking Harmony Borough for accepting Cranberry UCC Appeals Board
5. W.B.C.A. May Minutes
6. Letter from Diane Brenner recommending documenting the Borough stones
7. Letter from Walter Luikart requesting help and support to place a plaque on the Butler County WWII Memorial
8. Letter of resignation from the Parks Board from Frank Grannon
9. Letter of resignation from the Parks Board from Dave Morrow  
Dave Szakelyhidi made a motion to accept Frank and Dave's resignations with regrets. Michelle Barto seconded the motion. Motion carried.
10. Presentation of a pocket watch to Bruce Ziegler for 25 years of service
11. Presentation of a \$100 savings bond to Sharon McCormick for 20 years of service.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

Attorney Marshall reported that he had prepared the advertisement for bids for the case tractor and loader and also a resolution for the sale

The Mantia criminal hearing will be postponed from the August date. It will be at least 6 months until there is a trial on the civil case. Attorney Marshall will give a monthly report on the Mantia case.

**BOARD REPORTS:**

**COG:**

Jeff Smith reported that the grant application was submitted for a reflectivity measuring device for signs.

**Water Authority:** Dave Szakelyhidi reported that the Water Authority meeting was moved to July 15.

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**Parks Board:** John Rice reported that Mr. Warner has "Private Property" signs posted. Dave Szakelyhidi stated that it needs to be designated that the rocks stay and are Borough property. A letter is to be written to Mr. Warner.

**Supervisors report:** Attached.

**PERSONNEL:**

Michelle Barto made a motion to authorize hiring Amy Brown as the Water Authority Clerk @ \$8.00 per hour working 20 hours a week. Gary Habsburg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Michelle also presented an employee dress policy. Attached. Council had no objections.

**STREETS:**

John Rice reported that the paving is finished on New Castle Street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street has been shot and chipped.

Dave Eberle commented on trees growing out over the sidewalks.

**BUSINESS AND DEVELOPMENT:**

Jeff Smith presented a joint comprehensive plan proposal with Zelianople. He suggested having a joint meeting with Zelianople on July 15 at Stewart to vote on the resolution. Dave Szakelyhidi requested that everyone read the old comprehensive plan and build on that.

Michelle Barto made a motion to pursue a joint comprehensive plan. Gary Habsburg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Jeff Smith suggested putting reflective tape at the Street Crossing. Dave Szakelyhidi made a motion to rent equipment and buy the reflective tape for the street crossing on Rt 68. John Rice seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jeff Smith brought to Council's attention that Bob Beighey officially retired as school crossing guard.

John Rice questioned the payment for lot rent from Kasings when they move. Gary Habsburg stated that it was a lease.

**BILLS PAYABLE:**

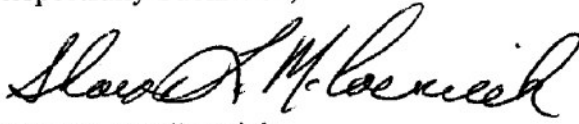
Gary Habsburg made a motion to pay all bills as presented. Dave Szakelyhidi seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No Comments.

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Meeting continued until July 15 at 7:00 PM at Stewart Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sharon L. McCormick".

Sharon L. McCormick  
Secretary

