

MINUTES
UNION CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 11TH, 2008

Vision Statement: “ The Union City area is a thriving rural community of families, businesses and organizations dedicated to encouraging growth while maintaining small town values.”

The meeting of the Union City Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Brumagin. The meeting was held at the Union City Area High School Large Group Instruction Room.

Councillors present were Brumagin, Bowes, Hinkle, Hoban, Steadman and Tubbs.

Officials present were Borough Manager Cheryl Capela, Mayor Paul Capela, Street Supervisor Paul Maynard and Solicitor Timothy Wachter.

Visitors present Dustin Kolaja, Dave Pfister, Leo Pfister, Darryl Obert, Alice Jane Ross, George Ainsworth, Joanne Ainsworth, Larry Miller, Pat Miller, Nancy Brumagin, Dave Himes, Ron Culver and Don Smith.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Steadman to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

MOTION ON MINUTES: It was moved by Councillor Hoban and seconded by Councillor Steadman that all Councillors having read the Council Meeting held October 14th, 2008 and the Work Session held October 28th, 2008, be approved. Motion carried.

MOTION ON SECRETARY’S REPORT: It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Hoban that the Secretary’s Report be accepted and made a part of the minutes of this meeting. Motion

carried.

MOTION ON BILLS: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Bowes that the unpaid bills be ordered paid and those paid be approved. Motion carried.

WINTER PARKING: Darryl Obert said he is here tonight representing the First Baptist Church on South Street.

He said the parking issue is creating some problems with the residents using the Church parking lot.

President Brumagin said the residents that park in the Church parking lot did speak at the Boroughs Work Session and had informed Borough Council that they do use the Church parking lot to park their vehicles.

He said the residents did inform Borough Council that a letter was sent to them to ask that they not use the Church parking lot during Sunday services.

He said it was brought to light that the "Snow Emergency Route" was not meant for Second Avenue from West High Street up to South Street. He said Borough Council will be correcting this so that residents can park there.

He said it was also suggested to the residents to see if the Fire Department would allow them to park in their parking lot.

MINUTES: Darryl Obert said in reading the minutes, when a motion is made a motion carried is added to the sentence. He asked "what does motion carried mean?"

The Borough Manager said if any member of Borough Council votes

against the motion or abstains, she always will list the Council member that voted against it. She said if a majority of Council votes in favor of the motion, then the motion is carried.

WARDEN STREET: Don Smith said he lives on Warden Street and he has problems with the tenants across the street from him parking on both sides of the street.

He said he remodeled in front of his house approximately eight years ago and at the same time, the apartment across from him was having a water line replaced. He said to this day, the sidewalk they had dug up still has not been replaced.

SNOW PLOWING: Don Smith said he would like to know why the streets department use the rubber blades to plow streets.

Street Supervisor said the reason for the rubber blades is due to the catch basins and man hole covers.

TIME WARNER CABLE: Mayor Paul Capela read a letter from Time Warner Cable informing Borough Council that some of the channel networks will be expiring.

MOTION TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE PENNSYLVANIA BOROUGH MAGAZINE: It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Hoban to approve subscribing to the Pennsylvania Boroughs Magazine at a cost of \$12.00 per subscription. Motion carried.

DAVE AND SUSAN AIKENS SUBDIVISION: The Borough Manager said she has a subdivision from David and Susan Aikens on East High Street for Borough Council to consider approving.

She said the County wrote a letter to Borough Council expressing

their concerns to the proposed subdivision. She said the property is currently in a Flood Plain.

MOTION TO TABLE APPROVING DAVID AND SUSAN AIKENS SUBDIVISION:

It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Steadman to table approving a subdivision of David and Susan Aikens on East High Street. Motion carried.

PARKING ON SECOND AVENUE: Solicitor Timothy Wachter said he noticed in the Work Session minutes, discussion was held in regards to the Second Avenue Parking.

He said he would like Borough Council to let him know exactly what they want worded in the Parking Ordinance in regards to Second Avenue.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ORDINANCE: Councillor Tubbs said he thought the Solicitor was going to be providing to Borough Council a new Fire Department ordinance to review.

Solicitor Timothy Wachter said he will have this ordinance to Borough Council at the next Work Session.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF BOROUGH TRAINING SEMINAR:

President Brumagin said he received information from PSAB on a training seminar to be held in Erie on January 10th, 2009 for new Council members.

He said the cost of the training seminar is \$125.00 per person.

He said he would like to know if Bill Hinkle would be interested in attending.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES: It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Tubbs to suspend the rules. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE BILL HINKLE TO ATTEND TRAINING SEMINAR: It was moved by Councillor Bowes and seconded by Councillor Hoban to approve Bill Hinkle to attend a training seminar to be held in Erie on January 10th, 2009 at a cost of \$125.00 per person. Motion carried.

WEBINAR CLASSES: President Brumagin said he received information from PSAB on Webinar classes that are offered on line at a cost of \$35.00 per class.

He said there is a class on winter road maintenance.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION: Councillor Hinkle said that the Halloween Parade went well this year. He said the Parks and Recreation Commission will be sending out thank you cards to everyone that made this event a success.

He said the Parks and Recreation Commission is still talking about having a Farmers Market at Cafilisch Park.

MOTION TO TABLE APPOINTMENTS TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION: It was moved by Councillor Hinkle and seconded by Councillor Hoban to table the appointments to the Parks and Recreation Commission to serve until December 31st, 2009. Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADVERTISE THEIR INTENT TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF UNION CITY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO: 877 WHICH REESTABLISHED THE POLICE PENSION PLAN FOR THE BOROUGH OF UNION CITY SUCH AMENDMENT BEING MADE TO CLARIFY THE PURPOSE OF THE POLICE PENSION PLAN PURSUANT TO ACT 92 OF 2008: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Bowes to advertise their

intent to adopt an Ordinance of the Borough of Union City amending Ordinance No: 877 which reestablished the Police Pension Plan for the Borough of Union City such amendment being made to clarify the purpose of the Police Pension Plan pursuant to Act 92 of 2008. Motion carried.

MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Bowes to suspend the rules. Motion carried.

MOTION TO DIRECT THE BOROUGH MANAGER TO WRITE A LETTER COMMUNICATING TO THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ON HIS PROGRESS OF OBTAINING COMPUTER CLASSES: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Bowes to direct the Borough Manager to write a letter communicating to the Code Enforcement Officer on his progress of obtaining computer classes and failure to comply with Borough Council's request will result in Borough Council filling his position. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPROVE BIDS ON 3A ANTI-SKID: The Borough Manager said she received one bid. She said the bid is from A.C.A. Sand and Gravel, P.O. Box 16, Corry, PA 16407 for approximately 600 tons of 3A Anti-Skid at a cost of \$6.75 per ton delivered.

MOTION TO APPROVE BID FROM A.C.A. SAND AND GRAVEL: It was moved by Councillor Steadman and seconded by Councillor Tubbs to approve the bid from A.C.A. Sand and Gravel for approximately 600 tons of 3A Anti-Skid at a cost of \$6.75 per ton. Motion carried.

COUNCIL TO APPROVE BIDS FOR ROCK SALT: The Borough Manager said she needed to receive three telephone quotes for Rock Salt. She said American Rock Salt, P.O. Box 8000, Buffalo, N.Y. 14267 gave her a bid for approximately 130 tons of Rock Salt a bid price of

\$75.00 per ton delivered. She said the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, Harrisburg, PA gave a bid of \$76.95 per ton to be picked up by the municipality at a site to be determined. She said Morton Salt Company would not give a bid due to shortage of road salt.

MOTION TO APPROVE BID FROM AMERICAN ROCK SALT: It was moved by Councillor Steadman and seconded by Councillor Tubbs to approve the bid from American Rock Salt for 130 tons of Rock Salt at a cost of \$75.00 per ton delivered. Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO: 832 PROHIBITING THE USE OF CERTAIN BOROUGH STREETS BY MOTOR VEHICLES

WHOSE WEIGHT EXCEEDS ESTABLISHED LIMITS: It was moved by Councillor Steadman and seconded by Councillor Hoban to adopt an Ordinance amending Ordinance No: 832 prohibiting the use of certain borough streets by motor vehicles whose weight exceeds established limits. A roll call vote was taken. All Councillors voted yea. Motion carried.

ROUTE 6 HERITAGE COMMUNITY PROGRAM: Councillor Bowes said there is still work being done on the Route 6 Heritage Community Program.

He said one of the things was a tour of the Ethan Allen building.

INFORMATIONAL SUMMARY: There being no objection, the Informational Summary will stand approved and be made a part of the minutes of this meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: President Brumagin called for an Executive Session at 7:49 P.M. to discuss personnel matters. Council reconvened at 8:38 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Councillor Tubbs and seconded by Councillor Hoban that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:39 P.M.

ATTEST: _____
Borough Manager