

**MINUTES**  
**UNION CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**WORK SESSION**  
**APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2009**

The Work Session of the Union City Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Brumagin. The meeting was held at the City Building.

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

Officials present were Borough Manager Cheryl Capela and Street Supervisor Paul Maynard.

There were no visitors present.

**COUNCIL TO CONSIDER WEIGHT LIMIT ON LINCOLN STREET:** The Borough Manager said she received a call from Blanche Conklin who lives on the corner of Concord and Lincoln Street. She said that Blanche Conklin has concerns when the semis are turning to go down Lincoln Street, they are cutting into her yard.

She said that Blanche Conklin would like to know if Borough Council would consider putting a weight limit on Lincoln Street.

Councillor Tubbs said he has no problem with this.

The Borough Manager said she will put the ordinance together and have it ready for the May Council Meeting.

**SIDEWALK PROJECT ON CONCORD STREET:** The Borough Manager said she had a meeting with a representative from Penn dot on the proposed sidewalk grant project on Concord Street.

She said that in their bid package, they are going to include the removal of the sidewalks from Miles Street up to Pleasant Street.

She said the representative from Penn dot said that he and I will need to set up a meeting with these property owners to explain the project to them on why these sidewalks need to be removed.

She said we also need to meet with six other property owners to get a temporary easement.

She said once we get the signatures from all parties involved, then we should be able to go out for bid.

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING ACT 32:** The Borough Manager said she has a Resolution opposing Act 32 which is the Local Earned Income Tax on how they want it to be collected. She said she would like Borough Council to support her by opposing Act 32. She said she will put the Resolution on the May agenda for Borough Council to act on.

**2008 PARKING TICKET AUDIT:** The Borough Manager said she has completed the 2008 Parking Ticket Audit that she would like to present to members of Borough Council this evening.

President Brumagin thanked the Borough Manager for the time she had put into this audit.

The Borough Manager said if any member of Borough Council has any questions in regards to the audit please let her know.

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** The Borough Manager said the Zoning Hearing Board members have been meeting with Attorney Kuhn to discuss the proposed new Zoning Ordinance. She said we are working on the final draft and hopefully soon, we will be able to present our proposed

ordinance to Borough Council for your consideration.

She said when speaking with Attorney Kuhn, he noticed that our fee structure is way too low. She said she has revised the Ordinance with a new fee structure for Borough Council to consider at the May Council Meeting.

**UNION CITY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY:** The Borough Manager said the Union City Municipal Authority Board has received a Consent Order from DEP. She said that Councillor Steadman had received a copy and had given it to me so I could make copies for every member of Borough Council to review. She said I have made the copies and would like to pass them out to you at this time.

**FLAGS ON MAIN STREET:** The Borough Manager said she would like to know if Borough Council wants to replace the flags on Main Street.

She said that the Street Supervisor has been checking on prices and he found that Congresswoman Kathy Dahlkamper has the best price on purchasing flags. She said the cost is \$13.50 per flag.

Street Supervisor Paul Maynard said the Vets Club is not providing the flags this year.

Councillor Tubbs said he will check with the American Legion on getting flags.

**UNION CITY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING:** Councillor Tubbs said he attended the first Water Authority Board Meeting. He said their attorney decided to resign and the Board then appointed Knox Law Firm.

Councillor Tubbs said an Executive Session will be held on

Thursday, May 14th, to hear from Engineer Steve Helmi, Hill Engineering and HRG Engineer. He said each of them will be presenting their plan of action to the Board.

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION:** Councillor Hinkle said the Parks and Recreation Commission members are starting to work on the Summer Recreation Program.

**SPRING TOUR:** Councillor Bowes said he would like to remind members of Borough Council about the tour that has been scheduled for Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. and everyone to meet at the City Building.

Councillor Tubbs said he would like to know what is being done with Jim Foster's property.

Councillor Bowes said that we have been trying to work with him to get him to sell his property to Union City Pride. He said if this does not happen, then we will be going after him legally.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Councillor Steadman said that he and the Street Supervisor went around looking at all the streets and they have a list of what streets they would like to see done.

Councillor Steadman said he would like to know about getting a truck this year.

The Borough Manager said you need to get some bid specs together along with a cost. She said she would recommend either checking with a COG to see if they are going out for bid or with the State Contract.

She said if you go out on your own to bid the price is going to be extremely high.

**RAISE TO DAVE HIMES:** Councillor Steadman said he would like to know about getting the rest of the raise to Dave Himes.

Councillor Tubbs said that you would need to put together a fair job performance evaluation together for members of Borough Council to review.

**STORM SEWERS:** Street Supervisor said that he spoke with the Borough Manager about taking the pipes that were purchased for O'Dell Street and use these pipes for Warden Street.

He said the Borough Manager feels she could possibly qualify for funding through the CDB Grant Program for O'Dell and Elm Street this year.

President Brumagin said he feels this would be a good idea.

Councillor Tubbs said the Borough Manager has been very successful in getting CDB Grant monies for storm sewers.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 7:58 P.M.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Borough Manager