Council Minutes - March 10 2011

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Jermyn Borough Council met on Thursday, March 10, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: J.Smith, W.Shermanski, M. Collins, K.Hosie, A.J.Fuga, B.Parks and J.Mark. Attorney Nicholls and Mayor Smallacombe were in attendance.

MINUTES – A motion was made by K. Hosie seconded by A.J.Fuga to adopt the minutes of February 10,2011 with correction. All members were in favor.

K.Hosie reported a beginning balance of \$240,896.12, with expenditures of \$47,692.33, with an ending balance of \$231,371.10. A motion was made to approve the financial report as presented by A.J.Fuga seconded by B.Parks. On roll call the motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR – The mayor notified the public about the upcoming Variety Show in May. The Historical Society is having another trip to Harrisburg to tour the museums. He said the Edgerton show was excellent.

ATTORNEY NICHOLLS – Attorney Nicholls asked for an executive session concerning the Deluchy property.

DELUCHY PROPERTY – A motion was made by K.Hosie, seconded by M.Collins to give Attorney Nicholls permission to protect the Borough's interest on March 23 at a tax sale. On roll call the motion passed unanimously.

HYDRANTS – A motion was made by K.Hosie seconded by A.J.Fuga to turn the ownership of Borough's fire hydrants to PAWC. All members were in favor.

Attorney Nicholls said he has sent another letter to the Housing Authority. He said he has received a letter from Joe Koezeno's lawyer, concerning the old Larosa property on Washington Avenue. Asking if he could use the alley behind the property as an exit, instead of exiting on Washington. Attorney Nicholls said he has to research the legalities.

FIRE CHIEF – Mr. Rood said that council, police anyone who would need to make decisions needs to take the NIMS classes and it can be done on line.Mr. Rood also addressed the ongoing problem of the flooding at Mr. Langman's home on Gibson street. He said the firemen have been on the scene numerous times and asked if there has been any progress? Attorney Nicholls said that the problem is 99.99% Archbald's and that we have been trying to meet with Archbald to no avail. Chief Rood said they are monitoring the rainfall and the Red Cross trailer is at the Crystal. He said he has contacted two other contractors for the electrical work at the garage and has not got a response.

At this time Mayor Smallacombe presented awards from Senator John Blake to E.Reeves, former councilman, D.Stephens, Crystal, J.Grzybowski, Artisian.

PUBLIC INPUT – A Mr. Steve Barna, Madison Avenue addressed Council concerning an alternate parking ticket that he received. Mr. Mark said the ordinance was changed to make it easier for the residents and the ordinance ensures the passing of emergency vehicles. They explained that if the ticket is not paid it will go to the magistrate and Mr. Barna can explain his position.

Mr. Rood asked if the bathrooms could be opened at the field so the children at Millineum can use them. M.Collins said he would look into it. He also asked about vehicles being parked on the road instead of on the shoulder? Chief Zellers said he would look into it.

INVOICES – A motion was made by K.Hosie seconded by J.Smith to approve the invoices in the amount of \$3018.78. All members were in favor.

K.Hosie informed council the Variety Show will be on May 21,tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. She asked if council will all contribute \$12.50 for an ad for the program. Also the Events Committee will have a concert in the park on July 24 from 6 to 8.

COMPUTER – A motion was made by K.Hosie seconded by W.Shermanski to purchase a new computer at a cost of \$700.00 for the office. All members were in favor. The old one will go into the police station.

PUBLIC WORKS – B.Parks said he is working on getting a base coat on the parking lot at the Borough building. One of the dump trucks needed repairs and is back in working condition.

SURVEY – A motion was made by B.Parks seconded by K.Hosie to have the 400 block of Shields Court surveyed at the Demarco residence. All members were in favor.

Mr. Parks said he will contact the time clock company to have a meeting. Mr. Parks asked Attorney Nicholls to look into the driveway ordinance.

SHADE TREE –Amotion was made by K.Hosie seconded by J.Smith to give the Shade Tree permission to re-apply and change the venue for their current grant. All members were in favor.

2008 SINGLE AUDIT – A motion was made by K.Hosie, seconded by A.J.Fuga to accept the 2008 Single Audit. On roll call the motion passed unanimously.

2011 PAVING PROJECT – A motion was made by B.Parks seconded by K.Hosie to accept the bid from Wayco in the amount of \$201,126,65. All members were in favor.

Council went into executive session concerning personnel, council reconvened from executive session.

A motion was made to adjourn by K.Hosie seconded by M.Collins. All members were in favor.