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Summit Hill Borough Council
April 9, 2012, 7:00 p.m., Borough Hall

Summit Hill Borough Council was held at the above time and place with

Roll Call – President Michael Kokinda, William Chapman, Francis O’Gorman, William O’Gurek, Jesse Walck, Michael Alabovitz Solicitor Michael Greek and Mayor Paul McArdle were all in attendance. Vice-President John O’Gurek arrived late.

Minutes – Motion was made by Bill Chapman and second by Francis O’Gorman to approve the minutes from the March 12, 2012 Summit Hill Borough Council Meeting. The motion was opened to the floor for comment; none made; Motion approved.

Floor –

1. **Marlene Matrazzo, 32 W. White Street**, asked if there was an update on 38 W. White Street. Atty. Greek stated that there was a default judgment taken and now the Borough has to assess the damages then there will be a hearing. Atty. Greek explained that the way it was filed declared action because of a public nuisance, to try and force the owner to make repairs, tear it down or give the Borough the opportunity to do it. He also said that the Borough did get an estimate to tear it down; Atty. Greek explained that this is a very lengthily process but then the Borough will have the order and be able to move forward, because without the order we do not have the authority to do so. Atty. Greek explained the default judgment to tell the court what type of relief the Borough would like. Marlene expressed concerns with the amount of time it is taking. Atty. Greek explained to the Matrazzo’s that there are steps that must be followed, before the Borough can do anything.
2. Monica Marshall, on behalf of Marie; stated the property formerly know as Heffy’s Gas Station; the roof is falling apart and parts of that material landed on her husband truck. She provided council with documentation from the insurance company. Michael Kokinda stated he will have the borough workers go to the property and clean it up; which the borough will bill the new owner for the labor hours.
3. Liz Thompson stated the Panther Valley bus is still stopping in front of the ambulance station and dropping the children off and it is not a safe location. She has stated this at several meetings. Is the ambulance going to have curbing put along the roadway?

Mayor’s Report – Council received a copy of the Mayor’s Report for the month of March 2012. He reported the magistrate income for the month of March 2012 was \$1294.96. **Motion was made by Francis O’Gorman and second by Mike Kokinda to approve the Mayor’s Report for the month of March 2012.** The motion was opened to the floor for comment; none made; Motion approved.

Police Report – Council received copies of Chief Fittos’ Police reports for the month of March 2012. **Motion was made by Francis O’Gorman and second by Jesse Walck to accept the Police Report for the month of March 2012.** The motion was opened to the floor for comment; none made; Motion approved

Code Enforcement Report – Council received copies of the Code Enforcement report for the month of March 2012. **Motion was made by William O’Gurek and second by Bill Chapman to accept the Code Enforcement Report for the month of March 2012.** The motion was opened to the floor for comment; none made; Motion approved.

Planning and Zoning Report – Council received copies of Larry Marek’s Planning and Zoning report for the month of March 2012. **Motion was made by William Chapman and second by Francis O’Gorman to accept the Planning and Zoning Report for the month of February 2012.** The motion was opened to the floor for comment; none made; Motion approved.

Work Leader Report – Council received copies of the Work Leader Report for the month of March 2012. It was announced that the street cleaning will start the week of April 16th. William Chapman stated the Borough



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at the park until approved by Council. There was a discussion with the Shade Tree Commission. The Borough secretary will discuss for next month's meeting. **Motion was made by O'Gurek to accept the Work Leader Report for the month** on the floor for comment; none made; Motion approved.

Tax Collector Report – NO tax report for the month of March

Wage Tax Report –Borough Secretary, Susan Gibiser, read Berkheimer's Wage Tax Report for the month of March 2012. They submitted total Earned Income Tax of \$22,119.29 with a commission of \$408.38. The total LST submitted for March 2012 was \$40.00 with no commission. **Motion was made by Bill Chapman and second by Francis O'Gorman to accept the Wage Tax Report for the month of March 2012.** The motion was opened to the floor for comment; none made; Motion approved.

Receipts –Borough Secretary, Susan Gibiser, reported the total General Account receipts for the month of March 2012 as \$34,413.36 and the total Sanitation Account receipts for the month of March 2012 as \$6,339.50. **Motion was made by William O'Gurek and Second by Bill Chapman to accept the receipts for the month of March 2012.** The motion was opened to the floor for comment; none made; Motion approved.

Committee Reports –

Streets – John O'Gurek stated the paving projects for 2012: Chestnut Street to White Street.

Building –

- Mike Kokinda said that they were making progress on the kitchen.

Fire and Emergency Services-

- Fire Chief, Shawn Hoben stated that the heat and exhaust systems at the fire company is not working properly; Shawn asked Council will to review the warranty on the equipment and contact the companies; Shawn stated to Council Members that when the radio band equipment is received for the Fire Company, the Borough should turn-over the responsibility for the Fire Company's equipment and they will maintain the equipment since it will be costly to the Borough; Council agreed.

Recreation

Monica Marshall stated Easter on the Hill event took place on April 1st and went very well; the bid for the basketball courts was awarded to Bruce George Paving Company and she is waiting for the contract to be signed, construction should start very soon. The Stay at Home Festival is coming along; she has a total of twelve (12) vendors so far that will be there to set up; The Breakers Boys first football game will be on Sunday, April 15th at 1:00pm. Monica talked about the borough having a skate park at one of the parks within the borough. Michael Alabovitz stated the park located at the Little League field at Spruce Street & Richard Street is in need of a lot repairs, there are no swings, basketball hoops or anything for the children to play on or with at this park; he stated before we provide any new facilities within the borough, we should fix up the playgrounds and basketball courts we already have within the borough. Monica stated she is aware of the situation at that park and if the Recreation Committee gets any other grants, they will fix one park at a time. **Motion was made by Michael Alabovitz and second by Francis O'Gorman to accept all Committee Reports for the month of March 2012.** The motion was opened to the floor for comment; none made. Motion approved.

Communications –

mitted a letter to council requesting the borough workers to
k. Borough Council will review the agreement between the
mission at next month's meeting
al Code along with three (3) binders and one (1) CD containing
gh officials will have ninety (90) days to review the editorial
ir responses and approve to publish the Code. Larry Marek,

Zoning Officer, Susan Gibiser, Secretary have been reviewing the code book; will provide information to Council at the June meeting.

Motion was made by John O'Gurek and second by Jesse Walck to accept communications for the month of March 2012. The motion was opened to the floor for comments; none made; motion approved.

Bills –Borough Secretary, Susan Gibiser, reported total expenses for the General Account for the month of March 2012 as \$59,068.32; total expenses for the Sanitation Account for the month of March 2012 were \$23,619.05. **Motion was made by William Chapman and second by Jesse Walck to pay all bills for the month of March 2012.** The motion was opened to the floor for comments; none made; Motion approved.

New Business –

1) Garbage Exemptions for the 2nd Quarter of 2012

There were three (3) applications submitted for garbage exemption;

- A) Terese Dubosky, 127 N. Chestnut Street í í .APPROVED for Exemption by Council
- B) James & Patricia Firkal, 32 W. Fell Streetí í ...APPROVED for Exemption by Council
- C) Amanda Godhile, submitted an application; address was not correct; TABLED by Council

A motion was made by Michael Alabovitz, second by Francis O'Gorman to accept the Garbage exemptions for the 2nd quarter of 2012; motion was opened to the floor for comments; none made; motion approved.

2) Approve & Motion to Advertise for 2012 Material Sealed Bids

Council Members reviewed the Notice to Bidders advertisement to accept bids for the 2012 Materials.

A motion was made by Michael Alabovitz, second by John O'Gurek to advertise on April 12th & April 26th to accept sealed bids for the 2012 Materials; motion was opened to the floor for comments; none made; motion approved.

3) Resolution No. 3 of 2012---Price Adjustment of Bituminous Materials

Michael Kokinda, President reviewed Resolution No. 3 of 2012; stating price adjustment of Bituminous Material for the bids; which means the Borough will get a fair market price for bids.

A motion was made by William O'Gurek, second by William Chapman to adopt Resolution No. 3 of 2012; motion was opened to the floor for comments; none made; motion approved.

Motion was made by William Chapman; second by William O'Gurek to adjourn at 8:46 p.m. until the next regular scheduled meeting of the Summit Hill Borough on May 14, 2012. The motion was opened to the floor for comment; none made; Motion approved.

Susan K. Gibiser
Secretary/Treasurer
Summit Hill Borough



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