

## **Hughesville Borough**

### **Council Minutes**

**October 13, 2008 – 7:00, PM**

**Council members and staff present** – Frederick Newhart, H. Thomas Eddy, Jeffrey Berger, Cindy Shaner, Robert Simmons, Mayor Frank Welsh, J. Howard Langdon, Dale Cahn, Dolores Moyer, Chief Shearer and Diane Senseman

The regular meeting of the Hughesville Borough Council was called to order by Council President Fritz Newhart, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guests and Visitors:** Bob/Judy Simmons, Bill/Sandy English, Mark Armstrong, Ray Falls, Richard Shuler, Martin Payne, Randle Sayman, Ray Spotts, Andy Mook, Alissa Eaton (Sun-Gazette)

Christopher Coakley has requested repeatedly that Council investigate the right of way of his neighbor's fence on Elm Alley; Borough's former Zoning Officer approved the permit because he said it was too close to call (previous correspondence with Zoning Officer on file)

Ray Falls representing Vietnam Veterans Monument wanted to confirm that they indeed are having the monument moved to the old library location on Main Street. They also want to make sure that the monument is displayed properly. A meeting of all interested parties will take place at a later date.

Robert Shuler would like to purchase approximately 15 feet of the Borough's old library plot so that his tenants have more parking available to them. Tom Eddy asked Shuler if he was willing to pay for the survey to make this transition possible.

Mark Armstrong: asked if the Borough was going to paint lines on the curbs; inquired about the possibility of "Pedestrian Crossing" signs on the street. He also expressed an interest in purchasing a small portion of the old library plot.

**Approve Agenda:** October 13, 2008 – Cindy Shaner moved, seconded by Tom Eddy. Motion passed.

**Approve Minutes:** September 8, 2008 and September 29, 2008 – Jeff Berger moved, seconded by Tom Eddy. Motion passed. A correction was noted on September 29<sup>th</sup> minutes. The vote giving permission to the Borough Solicitor making adjustments to the final agreement should be 5 – 0. Roll Call - Cahn, G; Galdfelter; McConnell; Smith; Cahn, D. all yes.

**Solicitor's Report:** J. Howard Langdon will discuss legal issues in closed session.

**Police Report:** Chief Shearer – monthly report

**Mayor & Emergency Management Report** – Frank Welsh-New Police incident program; PEMA Mutual Aid Legislation; Act 35 still isn't approved and probably won't be for 2 years.

**Public Works Report** – Dale Cahn said he doesn't know if paving will be done this year because the plant's typically close before mid November; he also stated that progress is being made at the pump station construction site.

**Water Report** – Jeff Berger

**Zoning Report** – Code Inspections, Inc.

**East Lycoming Recreation Authority** – Attached minutes

**Hughesville-Wolf Authority** – Minutes

<b>Treasurer's Report –</b>	General Fund - Check# 6033-6072	\$ 91,795.28
	Payroll - Direct Deposit	\$ 25,570.45
	ACH Debits	\$ 9,650.49
	Water Fund - Check# 655-680	\$ 53,592.03
	Liquid Fuels - Check#	
	Capital Fund - Check#	

Tom Eddy moved, seconded by Cindy Shaner. Bills temporarily held Ft. Muncy and Murray Motors. Motion passed.

**Borough Secretary** – Dee Moyer- Lions Club is requesting that their eyeglass collection box be moved at the same time the Rotary clock is. The Health Improvement Coalition would like Council to appoint one of its members to the Coalition. Council will decide after the Ward# 2 vacancy is filled. Bids for the old police cruiser will be opened at the next Council Meeting.

**Business – (old)**

- Council vacancy Ward# 2. Robert Simmons was nominated by Jeff Berger, seconded by Tom Eddy. Motion passed.

- Thank-you from Tana DeWire, Lycoming County Health Improvement Coalition, Inc.
- (New)
- Seda-Cog energy resource
  - Lycoming County Planning Commission GIS database
  - PPL Gas Utilities and UGI
  - CDBG request for 2009
  - Well Pump Bid
  - Sullivan County Council of Governments
  - Oil Index Adjustment for October, \$821.55 less than original bid
  - SRBC Application Chesapeake Appalachia, LLC
  - Resolution 6 of 2008, Defined Benefit Plan for Police Pension 8.1; Restated 1/1/2003. Shaner Shaner moved; seconded by Berger.
  - Rate for part-time leaf cleanup workers \$8.50 hour. Shaner moved; seconded by Berger. Motion Passed.

**Committee Reports:**

**WATER** – Carichner/Berger

**FINANCE** – Shaner/Vacant

**STREETS** – Eddy/Berger

**PUBLIC SAFETY** – Carichner/Eddy

**PROPERTIES** – Shaner/Vacant

**PERSONNEL** – Eddy/Carichner

Closed Session: 9:08 PM - Eddy moved; Shaner Seconded. Motion passed.  
 Session Opened: 9:48 {PM – Shaner moved; Eddy seconded. Motion passed/

- Tom Eddy made a motion to hire Officer Jason Gill as a fulltime officer at the rate of \$17.50; Seconded by Cindy Shaner. Motion passed. 4 – 1
- Roll Call: Berger – N; Simmons – Y; Newhart – Y; Shaner – Y; Eddy – Y.

**Adjournment – 10:05 PM.** Shaner moved; seconded by Eddy.