

CLARK BOROUGH

FEBRUARY 2, 2016 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPOINTMENT OF 2016 COMMITTEES

Boroughs Association & COG  
Buildings, Parks & Recreation  
Finance/Ins/Personnel  
Fire  
Highways  
Planning (Local & Regional)  
Zoning (Local & Regional)  
Police  
Sewer  
Mercer County Joint Sewer  
Storm water  
Zoning Hearing Board  
Any Other Appointments

READING OF MINUTES

TREASURER'S REPORT

VISITORS

Al Harakal  
Lawrence Candiotti

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Appointment of Zoning Officer  
Custodian

NEW BUSINESS

QUESTIONS FOR ATTORNEY MADDEN

CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

## OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES

Sewer Committee  
Boroughs Association and Council of Governments  
Building, Park & Recreation  
Code Enforcement/ Zoning Officer  
Collector of Taxes  
Council of Governments  
Finance, Insurance, Pension, Personnel  
Fire  
Highways  
Mercer County Joint Sewer Agency  
Police  
Planning (Local and Regional)  
Recycling  
Storm Water  
Zoning (Local and Regional)  
Mayor  
President of Council

## PAYMENT OF BILLS

## ADJOURNMENT

February 2, 2016

The meeting of Clark Borough Council was called to order by President, James Carucci who led in the pledge to the flag on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Others in attendance were Russell Shaffer, Donna Lapikas, Clark Eberhart, Barbara Dunlap, Larry McKnight and Patricia Haggerty. Visitors attending were Alvan Harakal, Lawrence Candiotti and Todd Clary.

James Carucci made a motion to accept the January 4, 2016 minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Russell Shaffer and passed with all voting yes.

James Carucci presented his appointments of committees to Council and asked if there were any objections to the appointments. Russell Shaffer made a motion to accept the appointments as presented. Clark Eberhart seconded the motion and passed with all present voting yes.

Russell Shaffer made a motion to accept the January 2016 Treasurer's Report. This motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed with all present voting yes.

James Carucci recognized visitors Larry Candiotti, Alvan Harakal and Todd Clary and asked if they wished to address Council. Todd Clary asked to address Council first.

Todd Clary presented a letter asking for permission for the Little League to use the Borough ball field for practice. He stated the team is a member of the Little League Association is fully insured as such. Clark Eberhart made a motion to allow the team to use the ball field for practice. Russell Shaffer seconded the motion and the motion passed with all present voting yes.

Larry Candiotti addressed Council by submitting his letter of intent to apply for the position of Custodian. Larry reviewed his qualification before Council. Clark Eberhart was aware of Mr. Candiotti's qualifications and made a motion to hire him for the position. James Carucci seconded the motion and passed with all present voting yes.

Alvan Harakal addressed Council by submitting his letter of intent to apply for the position of Zoning Enforcement Officer. Upon review of his qualifications, Russell Shaffer made a motion to hire Mr. Harakal. Donna Lapikas seconded the motion and passed with all present voting yes.

Russell Shaffer asked that the CVFC Relief Association Compliance Audit be reviewed at the March 2, 2016 as there were no representatives from the CVFC present at this meeting.

Mayor Harakal announced the dates for the 2016 Spring and Fall Cleanup by Tri County Industries. The spring cleanup will be the week of April 10<sup>th</sup> and the fall cleanup will be the week of September 11<sup>th</sup>. The spring leak pickup will be the week of April 24<sup>th</sup> and the fall leak pickup will be the weeks of November 6<sup>th</sup> and December 11<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Harakal reported receipt of a letter from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources informing the borough was awarded a grant in the amount of \$35,500. The grant was awarded in recognition of outstanding recreation and conservation work by the Borough of Clark.

Clark Eberhart reported the sewer committee has been working on a project to create a catch basin at the treatment plant that would catch debris before it reaches the station. The project involves fabricating a basin with holes for drainage that would be lifted by a crane to dispose of the accumulated debris. The committee has been working with Winslow Associates, engineers for the Borough on this project and has received bids from Wayne Erdice Construction in the amount of \$18,000, George Kusick Construction in the amount of \$23,000 and J.S. Bova in the amount of \$24,250. Russell Shaffer made a motion to accept the low bid from Wayne Erdice Construction in the amount of \$18,000. James Carucci seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, James Carucci – yes, Clark Eberhart – yes, Donna Lapikas – yes, Russell Shaffer – yes.

Mayor Harakal read the fire report for both December and January. Mayor Harakal reported there were two medical calls for service in December and three calls in January.

Clark Eberhart read the Sewer Committee Bills. Clark Eberhart made a motion to accept the bills as read. Russell Shaffer seconded the motion and the motion passed with all voting yes.

Russell Shaffer reported that due to mild winter so far, there is sufficient road salt on reserve. Larry McKnight reported that the Borough is obligated to accept one more load of salt this year, but will most like not need to order any more.

Larry McKnight reported he attended the county wide seal project meeting for 2016. Jon Wilson explained since the project has grown so large over the last two years it will be divided into three segments in 2016 allowing more competition in the bidding process.

James Carucci passed out a letter from Venango Conservation District announcing a workshop covering general permits and their impact to wetlands and waterways, erosion and sedimentation control plans for storm water discharges associated with construction activities. This program will cover all activities such as initial subdivision, highway occupancy permitting, sewage regulations and other permits needed prior to issuance of building permits. James Carucci made a motion to send Russell Shaffer to the workshop and pay the fee of \$10.00. Clark Eberhart seconded the motion and the motion passed with all voting yes.

James Carucci asked Donna Lapikas to attend the next Mercer County Joint Sewer Committee meeting in April 2016 as he will be unable to attend. Donna said she would attend in his absence.

Mayor Harakal read the Police Report reporting the Hermitage Police Department conducted 40.5 hours of patrol in the Borough of Clark in the month of December and responded to 12 calls for service.

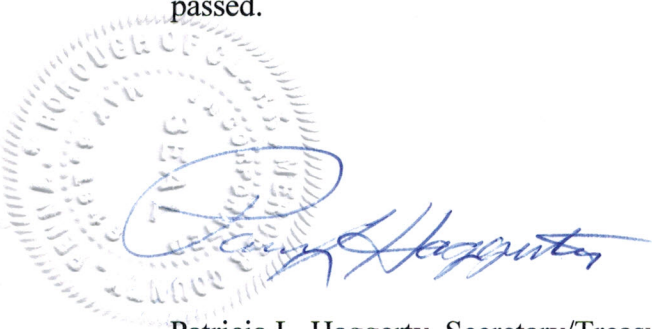
James Carucci reviewed the Planning (local and regional) committee members and reported Clyde Moffet's appointment has expired. Clark Eberhart made a motion to reappoint Clyde Moffet. Russell Shaffer seconded the motion and the motion passed with all voting yes.

Russell Shaffer reported he attended the Winter Boroughs Association dinner. Senator Michelle Brooks was the guest speaker who discussed the Federal and State storm water regulations. Senator Brooks reported new Federal Stormwater regulations are not as strict as the Pennsylvania regulations. She was asked why the Pennsylvania regulations are stricter to which she said she is working with her committee on this issue.

Mayor Harakal asked Council to approve a raise for the Custodian for 2016, which was included in the 2016 budget. She reported Patricia LaRocca had asked to increase the cleaning fee after bingo from \$20.00 to \$30.00 and the cleaning fee after a social event from \$38.00 to \$45.00. A motion was made by James Carucci to approve this increase. Donna Lapikas seconded the motion and the motion was passed with a roll call vote – James Carucci – yes, Clark Eberhart – yes, Donna Lapikas – yes, Russell Shaffer – yes.

James Carucci read the Payroll Distribution, General Fund Distribution and the State Liquid Fuels Distribution for the month of February 2016. Russell Shaffer made a motion to pay the bills as read. The motion was seconded by Donna Lapikas and passed with all voting yes.

Russell Shaffer made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Clark Eberhart and passed.



Patricia L. Haggerty, Secretary/Treasurer