



Leo S. Lutz, Mayor
Michael L. Beury, Borough Council President

Robert L. Pfannebecker, Solicitor
Samuel F. Sulkosky, Borough Manager

FINAL AGENDA
COLUMBIA BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
October 13, 2014
7:00 P.M.

- I. Opening of Meeting
 1. Call to Order and Roll Call
 2. Invocation/Moment of Silence
 3. Pledge to the Flag
 4. Announcement of Executive Session(s)
 - a. An Executive Session was held on October 13, 2014 at 6:00pm to discuss legal, and personnel items.
 - b. A Personnel Committee Meeting was held on September 23, 2014 at 6:00pm.
 - c. A Personnel Committee Meeting was held on September 24, 2014 at 6:00pm.
 - d. A Personnel Committee Meeting was held on October 1, 2014 at 7:00pm.
 - e. A Personnel Committee Meeting was held on October 6, 2014 at 6:00pm.
 5. Citizen Comments (Agenda Items Only)
 6. Minutes for Approval
 - a. Consider approval of the Borough Council Meeting Minutes for 9/22/14.
 7. Mayor Lutz
 - a. Introduction of Columbia Police Department's newest Police Officer, Amy Kurhmann.
- II. Standing Committee Assignments
 8. The Committee on Public Property
 - a. Consider approval of Resolution No. 14-17: Authorization to advertise and sell the dump body from the Mack Truck which is no longer used by the Public Works Department, minimum bid \$2,000.
 - b. Discussion regarding Fire Police Vehicle - Captain Mike Rhodes
 9. The Committee on Public Safety
 - a. Consider utilizing the \$3,668 in the radio fund to upgrade the Borough's current Knox Box System.
 - b. Update on Fire Department Consolidation Efforts - Henry Reese of Susquehanna Fire & Rescue Co. #4.
 10. The Committee on Finance
 - a. Consider approval of 2014 Budget Change No. 6: Highway Capital Fund, General Fund, Capital Fund, State Fund, Wastewater Fund and Municipal Authority Fund.
 11. The Committee on Highway
 - a. Yard waste collection ended today. Leaf collection begins next Monday, October 20, 2014 and follows the street sweeping schedule.

12. The Committee on Community Development
13. The Committee on Municipal Legislation
 - a. Consider approval to advertise for both a Public Hearing and for adoption of the SALDO No. 850 and the Zoning Amendment Ordinance No. 852.
14. The Committee on Personnel
 - a. Consider approval to hire John Bender as the Manager of the Wastewater Department at an annual salary of \$64,000.00 subject to satisfactory completion of all employment examinations and conditions.
- III. Reports of Boards, Commissions, Authority, Solicitor, and Secretary/Treasurer
 15. Solicitor
 16. Secretary/Treasurer
 - a. Discussion – Participant Agreement Pennsylvania Tourist Oriented Directional Signs Program
 - b. Discussion – Columbia Water Company Notice of Proposed Rate change.
 - c. “Trick or Treat Night” for Friday, October 31, 2013 from 6pm-8pm as per the Lancaster Inter-Municipal Committee Guidelines.
 17. Boards/Commissions/Authority
 18. Reports from Council Members
 19. Citizen Comments (Non-Agenda Items Only)
- IV. Adjournment

**Columbia Borough Council Meeting
October 13, 2014
Paul W. Myers Council Chambers**

Council President Michael Beury called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilpersons present: Barninger, Beury, Ford, Murphy, Smith and Weisser.
Mayor Lutz was also present.
Councilwoman Gable was absent.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Ronald Bachman.

Mayor Lutz led the pledge to the Flag.

President Beury announced an Executive Session was held on 10/13/2014 at 6:00pm to discuss legal, and personnel items. He also announced that there was a Personnel Committee Meeting on 9/23/14 at 6:00pm, 9/24/14 at 6:00pm, 10/1/14 at 7:00pm and 10/6/14 at 6:00pm.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS – There were no comments.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

Motion: To approve the Borough Council Meeting Minutes for September 22, 2014.
Motion: Barninger 2nd: Ford Voice Vote: All Favored

Mayor Lutz:

Mayor Lutz introduced Chief Jack Brommer.

Chief Jack Brommer introduced the Borough's newest Police Officer, Amy Kuhrmann. He welcomed Amy to Columbia Borough and to the Police Department. He noted that she has already proven herself to be a great addition to the Police Department.

Mayor Lutz noted that he was hoping to partner the Borough with the school district to apply for a grant to hire a School Resource Officer. He said that the grant would cover salary and benefits for the Resource Officer for 1-2 years. After the second year the Borough/School District would begin paying these expenses. He said he was hoping the school district would absorb 50% of the costs but they have only offered to cover 20%.

Mayor Lutz discussed the new fencing which was placed around the playground at Park Elementary School. He noted that strangers were wandering into the playground during school hours and that the teachers and staff were concerned for the safety of the children. Mayor Lutz noted that several organizations from Columbia donated money for the fence.

Mayor Lutz discussed the heroin epidemic in Lancaster County. He noted that the Lancaster County Mayor's Association is partnering with several other organizations to create a heroin task force.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

Motion: To approve of Resolution No. 14-17: Authorization to advertise and sell the dump body from the Mack Truck which is no longer used by the Public Works Department, minimum bid \$2,000.
Motion: Weisser 2nd: Ford **Voice Vote:** All Favored

Captain Mike Rhodes of the Columbia Borough Fire Police discussed the need to obtain another Fire Police Vehicle due to the poor condition of the existing vehicle. He noted that another vehicle has been found and it was already inspected by the Highway Manager, Jake Graham and found to be in good condition. The price for the vehicle is \$13,000 and the Fire Police already have \$5,000.00. He asked Council to consider donating some money toward the purchase of the new vehicle.

There was discussion regarding the Borough loaning the \$8,000 to the Fire Police Organization via a Demand Note.

Motion: To recess the meeting at 7:25pm to reconvene so that Council Members could go outside to look at the vehicle.
Motion: Ford 2nd: Smith **Voice Vote:** All Favored

Councilmembers returned to the Council Room and reconvened the meeting at 7:34pm.

Fire Chief Scott Ryno discussed the purchase of the vehicle from the Fire Department's perspective.

Motion: To loan the Columbia Fire Police \$8,000 from the Police Radio Fund for the purchase of a four wheel drive Ford F450 from the York Area United Fire Police Unit, Station #89. The Solicitor will draft a demand note at 0% interest.
Motion: Smith 2nd: Ford **Voice Vote:** All Favored

Captain Mike Rhodes stated that the Fire Police have plans to solicit donations from several organizations and individuals in Columbia Borough. They are hoping to have the entire \$8,000.00 paid back to the Borough within 1 year.

Motion: To add an agenda item to discussion of alternative uses for the Waste Water Treatment Plant in anticipation of the sale to LASA.
Motion: Weisser 2nd: Ford **Voice Vote:** All Favored

Motion: To Authorize the Borough Manager to investigate alternative uses for the Waste Water Treatment Plant in anticipation of the sale to LASA.
Motion: Weisser 2nd: Ford **Voice Vote:** All Favored

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

Motion: To utilize the \$3,668.00 in the Police Radio Fund to upgrade the Borough's current Knox Box system.
Motion: Barninger 2nd: Murphy **Voice Vote:** All Favored

Henry Reese of the Susquehanna Fire and Rescue Co. #4 gave a status on the Fire Department Consolidation saying that Susquehanna Fire Department and Columbia No. 1 Fire Departments have signed the required paperwork for their lawyer to begin drafting the agreement. However, the Columbia Consolidated Fire Department has not signed the required paperwork. The Consolidation Committee has been unable to get an answer from the Columbia Consolidated Fire Department as to the reason for the hold-up. Mr. Reese explained that this is a major issue because of the April 1, 2015 deadline set by Borough Council for the completion of the fire department consolidation. Mr. Reese asked Council to take action to force the Columbia Consolidated Fire Department to submit the paperwork by a certain deadline.

Motion: To authorize the Borough Manager to draft a letter to the leadership of the Columbia Consolidated Fire Department (Steve Henry) demanding that they sign and submit the required documents by 8:30pm on October 21, 2014 and authorizing the Borough Fire Chief, Scott Ryno to decertify the Columbia Consolidate Fire Department if they fail to do so.

Motion: Murphy

2nd: Ford

Voice Vote: All Favored

Councilman Smith left the room at 8:30pm and returned at 8:31pm.

Fire Chief, Scott Ryno, discussed some of the issues regarding the Fire Department Consolidation.

Council President Beury left the room at 8:35pm and returned at 8:39pm.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Motion: To approve of 2014 Budget Change No. 6: Highway Capital Fund, General Fund, Capital Fund, State Fund, Wastewater Fund and Municipal Authority Fund.

Motion: Murphy

2nd: Ford

Voice Vote: All Favored

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAY

Councilman Smith announced that yard waste collection ended today and that leaf collection begins Monday, October 20, 2014 and follows the street sweeping schedule. He also said that the Public Works Department may pick up some leaves toward the end of the week if needed but that no tickets would be issued.

Councilman Smith stated that the summer road improvements are now complete. He said that there may still be some road repairs as long as the weather cooperates.

COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT No action items

COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL LEGISLATION

Motion: To approve to advertise for both a Public Hearing, on November 10, 2014, and for adoption of the SALDO No. 850 and the Zoning Amendment Ordinance No.852

Motion: Ford

2nd: Murphy

Voice Vote: All Favored

COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

Motion: To approve hiring John Bender as the Manager of the Wastewater Department at an annual salary of \$64,000.00 subject to satisfactory completion of all employment examinations and conditions.

Motion: Barninger 2nd: Smith **Voice Vote:** All Favored

SOLICITOR **No action items**

SECRETARY/TREASURER

Borough Manager Sulkosky discussed the Participant Agreement for the Pennsylvania Tourist Oriented Directional Signs Program. He asked Council to get back to him with any questions or comments.

Solicitor Handwerger left the meeting at 9:02pm and returned at 9:04pm.

Borough Manager Sulkosky discussed the Columbia Water Company Notice regarding an across the board surcharge.

Borough Manager Sulkosky announced that "Trick or Treat Night" is scheduled for Friday, October 31, 2014 from 6-8pm as per the Lancaster Inter-Municipal Committee Guidelines.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – There were no comments

Motion: To Adjourn the Meeting at 9:05pm
Motion: Ford 2nd: Weisser **Voice Vote:** All Favored

MOTIONED AND APPROVED this 27nd day of October 2014, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Columbia, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

BOROUGH OF COLUMBIA, LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

By: Michael J. Beury
Michael Beury, Council President

ATTEST: Samuel J. Sulkosky
Samuel Sulkosky, Borough Secretary