

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF TRAPPE BOROUGH COUNCIL

January 9, 2007

President Stu Strauss called the regularly scheduled Council meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Mayor Peck.

After the Pledge, President Strauss offered a moment of silence for the passing of former President Gerald Ford and Sgt John T. Bubeck, a Perkiomen Township resident who was killed while serving our country in Iraq.

President Strauss asked for a motion to accept the resignation of Councilman Ed Kane.

N. Scholl motioned to accept the resignation of E. Kane, second by S. Kurcik, all ayes. Motion carried 5 – 0.

President Strauss called for nominations to fulfill the position held by E. Kane until the end of the term 12/31/09.

M. Carrig nominated James Durrell, 405 Silver Leaf Circle, second by N. Scholl. With no other nominations to come before Council, James Durrell was appointed to fill the position of E. Kane who was elected to serve until 12/31/09. J. Durrell will take over the Committee responsibilities of Property/Open Space/Traffic Committees.

Mayor Peck administered the Oath of Office to J. Durrell and he took his seat with Council.

Roll Call by the Secretary – Those present were Mayor Connie Peck, President Stu Strauss, Vice President Nevin Scholl, Mark Carrig, Steve Kurcik, Ken Fulmer and James Durrell. Matt Watson was absent. Also in attendance were Engineer Doug May, Solicitor Dick Watt, Treasurer John Klink and Manager Chuck Sardo.

At this time, President Strauss called for appointments for the following positions:

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| Manager | Charles A. Sardo | motion: S. Kurcik second: N. Scholl | all ayes |
| Solicitor | Kerns Pearlstine Onorato and Hladik | motion: M. Carrig second: N. Scholl | all ayes |
| Engineer | Czop/Specter, Inc | motion: S. Kurcik second: M. Carrig | all ayes |
| Treasurer | John Klink | motion: M. Carrig second N. Scholl | all ayes |
| Building Inspector | Sal Capizzi | motion M. Carrig second S. Kurcik | all ayes |
| Plumbing Inspector | Czop/Specter, Inc. | motion S. Kurcik second: K. Fulmer | all ayes |

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Fire Marshall:

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| Mike Italia - | motion K. Fulmer | |
| | second M. Carrig | all ayes |

Planning Commission appointments:

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| Pete Stormer – term expires 12/31/2010 | motion S. Kurcik | |
| | second M. Carrig | all ayes |

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| Ray Spaid - term expires 12/31/2010 | motion S. Kurcik | |
| | second M. Carrig | all ayes |

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| Edward Milligan – term expires 12/31/2009 | motion S. Kurcik | |
| | second M. Carrig | all ayes |

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| Catherine Johnson - term expires 12/31/2008 | motion S. Kurcik | |
| | second M. Carrig | all ayes |

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| Howard Lownes – term expires 12/31/2007 | motion S. Kurcik | |
| | second M. Carrig | all ayes |

Auditor:

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| Joyce Haas – term expires 12/31/2012 | motion M. Carrig | |
| | second N. Scholl | all ayes |

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| Tammy Liberi – term expires 12/31/2010 | motion M. Carrig | |
| | second S. Kurcik | all ayes |

Zoning Hearing Board

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| Dave Perlin – term expires 12/31/2009 | motion M. Carrig | |
| | second S. Kurcik | all ayes |

Vacancy Board

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| Earl Crist – term expires 12/31/2007 | motion S. Kurcik | |
| | second M. Carrig | all ayes |

There were no other nominations or appointments made at this time.

Minutes of the Meeting of December 5, 2007 – Everyone received a copy of the Minutes of December 5, 2006. There were no noted corrections or amendments.

S. Kurcik motioned to accept the Minutes as presented, second by K. Fulmer, all ayes. Motion carried 6 -0.

Minutes of the Meeting of December 28, 2006 Close Out Meeting – Everyone received a copy of the December 28, 2006 Minutes. There was one noted amendment in that Council authorized the Treasurer to pay any additional bills received before the end of the year 2006 with a figure not to exceed \$8,000.

M. Carrig motioned to accept the December 28, 2007 Minutes with the noted amendment, second by S. Kurcik, all ayes. Motion carried 6 – 0

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Payment of the Bills – J. Klink

Everyone received a copy of the Accounts Payable. There were three additional bills:

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| C-T Public Works | \$818.16 |
| Epps Beverage | \$ 38.00 |
| PA One Call | \$ 10.15 |

N. Scholl motioned to pay the bills including the additional bills, second by S. Kurcik, all ayes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Financial Reports – J. Klink

Everyone received a copy of the Financial Reports. There were no comments or questions.

N. Scholl motioned to accept the Financial Reports as presented, second by S. Kurcik, all ayes. Motion carried 6 – 0

Manager's Report – C. Sardo (Copy of Report on file in Borough office)

The Manager reviewed his Report for Council.

Web Site – Several quotes were received for a new Web Site ranging from \$3,900 to \$6,000. Core BTS submitted a price of \$3,900 and this was recommended by the Manager.

M. Carrig motioned to approve The Core BTS price of \$3,900 for the new Web Site, second by N. Scholl, all ayes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Rambo Park Barn – C. Sardo noted the permit to demolish the barn was previously granted and by this time the barn should be down.

H. Lownes, Planning Commission member, advised Council that the rubble from the barn that was thought would settle into the basement of the old building is now a mound of rubble and will ultimately have to be removed. The plan for this space was to finish off, fill in and use as additional parking space. This cannot be done as planned until the rubble is removed and will have to be done so sooner or later.

N. Scholl motioned to accept the Manager's Report, second by K. Fulmer, all ayes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

ENGINEER'S REPORT – D. May (Copy of Report on file in Borough office)

Everyone received a copy of the Engineer's Report. Doug reviewed his report with Council.

Carriage Ridge Issues – Owen Jones, HOA president, asked the Engineer for some background information on the Carriage Ridge development and specifically the responsibility of the emergency access roadway into and out of the development after the developer leaves the project. There was uncertainty and Council asked the Solicitor to look into who will be responsible for maintenance/repairs of the roadway.

N. Scholl motioned to accept the Engineer's Report, second by S. Kurcik, all ayes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

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SOLICITOR'S REPORT – D. Watt (Copy of Report on file in Borough office)

Everyone received a copy of the Report and he reviewed the Report for Council. There were no further questions or comments.

M. Carrig motioned to accept the report as presented, second by S. Kurcik, all ayes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

MAYOR'S REPORT – C. Peck (Copy of Report on file in borough office)

Everyone received a copy of the Report which she reviewed with Council. She acknowledged that she visits and welcomes new businesses to the Borough, attended St. Bubeck's funeral, administered the oath of office to 15 members of the Trappe Fire Company and discussed with a resident requirements of recycling materials to be picked up by our contractor.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Fred Schuetz was before Council regarding Planning Commission appointments, how they are made, and terms, Water Works Park, Collegeville/Main Street beautification.

Anthony Tosco/Collegeville – Mr. Tosco was before Council with regard to the “dogleg” intersection in Collegeville Borough and proposed funding for correction of the flow of traffic. The proposed PennDOT application would be 50% grant funding from PennDOT; the application is due April, 2007. There was discussion and Council advised that a bottom line cost for addressing the straightening of the traffic flow has not been determined; Council is not inclined to agree to a cost of 50% of anything without knowing 50% of what final figure. .

Sam Mancuso, College Woods HOA President – Sam expressed concern with the accumulation of trash in Trappe Village behind Apartments 1 & 2. There is an accumulation of appliances, mattresses; Borough Manager will follow up.

Richard Czop, 167 West Main Street – was before Council with regard to his property at 167 West Main Street and a question as to the manner in which the property is/has been used. Mr. Czop presented a written outline of the “history” of his ownership of the property (copy on file in Borough office). After his explanation and review of the letter, there were no further questions or comments from Council or the audience.

Cathy Kelemen, Laurel Drive – Cathy was before Council with concerns about deer hunters in the neighborhood. On one occasion it was noted that late in the afternoon there was an incident where two men pursued deer discharging guns and bow and arrows. It was noted by J. Durrell that a man from the Fish and Game Commission was present and indicated that his organization should have been responsive. The Manager will look into her concern.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance/Waste/Recycling/Streets – N. Scholl

Nothing further to report

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Property/Open Space/Traffic – J. Durrell

No report at this time.

Public Safety – K. Fulmer

Pennsylvania State Police Report – Ken reviewed the recently received State Police Report.

Fire Company Meeting – Ken advised that there is a meeting with the Fire Company, January 25, 2007 at the Fire Company building at 7:00 PM. This is the first meeting and the plans are to discuss goals, equipment and grant funding. Also noted was a fire fighter's grant workshop January 31 to learn more about grants, etc.

There was mention of Emergency Management functions that will be addressed at the January 25 meeting. Also a question of the Emergency Management Coordinator Bill Wilfong and his participation with EMC.

Ordinances/Personnel/Appointments – M. Carrig

Nothing further at this time.

Planning and Zoning – S. Kurcik

Nothing further at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Auxiliary Police – There was discussion as to whether or not the Borough Auxiliary police can be used to direct traffic. In accordance with a Borough Ordinance, the Auxiliary Police are under the direction of the Mayor. Also noted is the statement by the Solicitor that the Auxiliary Police cannot issue traffic violations. Further investigation by the Solicitor.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business noted.

With no other business to come before council, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Katona
Secretary