

ROCKLEDGE BOROUGH COUNCIL
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
OF
March 8, 2010

The Rockledge Borough Council met at 7:30 p.m. on March 8, 2010 at the Rockledge Borough Hall. After the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, the roll was called as follows: Mr. Denelsbeck, Mrs. Kain, Mrs. Kehoe, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Praediger, Mr. Showmaker and Mayor Praediger.

Additions to the Agenda: Mrs. Kain has an item for Law and Planning.

Mr. Showmaker made a motion to adopt the agenda. All were in favor.

Mr. Denelsbeck advised that there will be an executive session regarding 2 personnel issues after the council meeting.

Mr. Denelsbeck made a motion to accept the minutes from February 8, 2010 and February 22, 2010. All were in favor.

Law and Planning: Mrs. Kain made a motion to accept the monthly building inspector's report. All were in favor.

Mrs. Kain made a motion to adoption resolution 2010-02 a resolution establishing a fee for the filing of a transient retail business permit and application in the Borough of Rockledge. The fee will be set at \$50.00. The vote was taken. The vote being 6:0. Resolution 2010-02 is adopted.

Finance: Mr. Showmaker made a motion to accept the monthly bills and tax collector's report. All were in favor.

General Fund - \$43,203.80
Highway Aid - \$9669.97
Capital Reserve - \$0
Police Pension Fund - \$449.14

Mr. Wartman gave the Treasurers Report: A motion was made to accept Mr. Wartman's report. All were in favor.

General Fund –The beginning balance was \$154,243.48; deposits of \$104,511.85 giving a balance of \$258,765.83, disbursements were \$176,280.26 with an ending balance of \$82,475.07.

Highway Aid – The beginning balance was\$24,287.94, receipts \$46,080.00, disbursements of \$70,368.14, with an ending balance of \$66,384.57

Capital Reserve – Beginning balance \$44,937.81, interest of \$26.90, disbursements of 4,973.18, with an ending balance of \$39,999.39.

MMO Fund – The beginning balance was \$15,000.00 with \$1.11 interest for an ending balance of \$15,001.11.

Fund Account - The beginning balance was \$118,849.79 with \$22.80 of interest for an ending balance of \$118,872.59.

Mr. Denelsbeck asked about the taxes and fees for prior years; the report reads \$11,941.00. Mr. Denelsbeck asked is this because we are collecting back sewer and

trash fees? Mr. Wartman advised that yes it is. There is about \$45,000 of uncollected trash and sewer fees. Residents have been sent letters requesting payment. If there is no response from the residents who owe more than \$1,000, council will vote to have the borough solicitor file suit against them.

Mr. Denelsbeck advised that the money that is in the Capital Reserve Account is for the baseball field, therefore, no spending from this account.

Public Service: Mr. Praediger has nothing at this time.

Public Safety: Mrs. Morris made a motion to accept the Police, Fire Marshal, Fire Company and Second Alarmers' Rescue Squad Reports. All were in favor.

Mrs. Morris did advise that she will be looking at the Emergency Operations Plan. She is looking in to updating the plan.

Chief Miller advised that there were 41 citations written in the month of February. The new rolling through the stop signs are in and the borough crew will be hanging them up. The police department is the process of making up a Borough Ordinance violation ticket.

If there is anything that council would like removed or added please let Chief Miller know.

Chief Miller also advised that they are working on a noise ordinance ticket. Chief Miller would like to have this completed by the time school is out.

Mayor Praediger wanted to let everyone know that he has started working on the Car Show/Fall Festival. He has already has people signing up for the Car Show.

Public Works/Property: Mr. Praediger made a motion to accept the Streets Opening Report and the Street Department Monthly Report. All were in favor.

Streets Department Updates: Mr. Hopper wanted to thank the police and residents for their help and cooperation during the past snow storms. He also advised that the manhole at Jarrett Avenue has been addressed and the hole in front of the Danish Bakers is an Aqua issue and Aqua was notified.

Mrs. Kehoe wanted to know if the feet were removed off the plow during the last storm. Mr. Hopper advised her that they were, but it didn't matter.

Mrs. Morris made a motion to pave the streets in Strockville, one block of Montgomery Avenue. She has an estimate of what it would cost to take a loan to borrow \$200,000 that would be paid off over 10 years. The budget was budgeted at \$26,000 and the payment for the loan would come in on an average of \$22,000 - \$23,000 per year. Mr. Denelsbeck stated that he thinks these numbers would include Loney Street. He would like to include in the motion, an alternate to add Loney Street in the Gardens and the last block of Montgomery (Elm to Shady Lane). Mr. Showmaker asked what Mr. Denelsbeck meant by alternate. Mr. Denelsbeck advised that Mr. Stoneback will put the package together for Strockville. Then he will put an alternate as Loney Street between Fillmore and Church as Alternate 1 and Alternate 2 would be Elm to Shady on Montgomery Ave. They would be bid on separately because we do not know if we would have enough money to do all the paving. A motion was made to take a 10 year loan to pave Strockville and if there is

money left, Loney from Fillmore to Church and Montgomery from Elm to Shady. All were in favor.

Recreation: Mrs. Kehoe advised that she and Mr. Praediger had a meeting at Cegiolkowski Playground over the weekend to discuss the parking issues. They have no solutions. One suggestion is to use the lot in front of the borough garage, but if there is an emergency this may be an issue. They were thinking maybe Mr. Hopper can paint lines in the parking lot. Also, we could use one side of Loney Street which would allow for 12 additional spots. Using Loney, there are about 45 parking spots. There would be about 28 spots in the parking lot. The cemetery was looked at, but there is a lot of work that would need to be done. Mr. Praediger advised that in his opinion the cemetery is beyond being used for parking. Mr. Praediger does not think it would be a good idea to park behind the borough's tanks. Mr. Praediger advised that he thinks if we stripe the parking lot and give some sort of guidance that it would work. The only problem with parking in front of the garage is on Saturdays. Mr. Hopper stated that there used to be a yellow line painted in front of the garage and this was the furthest people could park. They could park in front of the garage on Sunday and during the week. Mrs. Kehoe also stated that there could be parking spaces in front of the bathrooms. That would give about 4 more spots. Mr. Denelsbeck stated that we could just put up signs that state there is no parking on Saturdays. Mr. Denelsbeck stated that we need to have the parking lot striped. Mr. Denelsbeck asked Chief Miller to remind the residents in the apartments on S. Sylvania that they cannot park in the garage parking lot.

Mrs. Kehoe asked about the permit that was received from St. Cecilia's. Mr. Denelsbeck advised that they can have the filed from 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. only.

Mrs. Kehoe wanted to remind everyone that the Easter Egg Hunt is on March 27, at 10:00 a.m. with a rain date of March 28, at 1:00 p.m.

Personnel: Mrs. Kehoe had nothing at this time.

Manager's Report:

Mrs. Metzinger advised that we have received our liquid fuels money and it was deposited.

Mrs. Metzinger advised that she will be meeting with the contractor for the baseball field and the borough engineer to see when and how they can get their equipment on the field.

Public Comment:

Mr. Denelsbeck told Mr. Kirby that Mr. Hopper has contacted Aqua and the hole in front of the Danish Bakers will be repaired, and that there will be a new rim placed on the manhole at Jarrett and the Pike.

Mr. Denelsbeck stated that the 4th of July parade is on Saturday, July 3 this year. We are selling hats for \$15.00, T-Shirts for \$10.00 and the raffle calendars for \$10.00. The committee needs to raise more money this year because of the fireworks that will be in the evening at Cegiolkowski Playground.

Mr. Wynne had a question/discussion regarding an issue with the last snow storm.

A motion was made to adjourn to an executive session. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Hines
Borough Clerk