

**MINUTES OF SPRING GROVE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
November 7, 2011**

The Spring Grove Borough Council met in Regular Session on Monday, November 7, 2011. President Richard P. Legore led those in attendance in a word of prayer and Pledge to the Flag. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

BOROUGH COUNCIL PRESENT:

Michael H. Altland
William T. Gentzler
Peter A. Lombardi
Curtis J. Spagnola
Samuel H. Spagnola
Richard P. Legore

ALSO PRESENT:

Andrew N. Shaffer, Borough Manager
Dolores J. Aumen, Mayor
Melissa J. Helm, Adm. Assist/Recording Secty
Patrick Fazzini, Solicitor
Mike Knouse, (C.S. Davidson, Inc.)
Matthew Warfel, (Arro Inc.)

BOROUGH COUNCIL ABSENT:

Neal J. Doyle

ALSO ABSENT:

Dave Jones, Solicitor

Public Comment / Visitors

Approval of Minutes

October 2011

The minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held October 3, 2011 and the Committee Meeting held October 17, 2011 were presented as distributed. William T. Gentzler made a motion, seconded by Michael H. Altland, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

October 2011

The Treasurer's Report for October 2011 with expenses totaling \$192,976.80 was presented for approval. Michael H. Altland made a motion to approve the report as presented, seconded by Samuel H. Spagnola. Motion carried.

President's Report

President Legore expressed his gratitude to Friendship Hose Company, Spring Grove Ambulance Club and Southwestern Police Department for their assistance with Trick or Treat night.

Mayor's Report

Parking Enforcement Officer's Report –October 2011

The Parking Enforcement Officer's Report for October 2011 was presented to Council for their review.

Southwestern Regional Police Activity Report – September 2011

The Police Activity Report for September 2011 submitted by the Southwestern Regional Police Department was presented to Council for their review.

Southwestern Regional Police Department Financial Report – September and October 2011

The Financial Reports of the Southwestern Regional Police Department for the month of September and October 2011 was presented to Council for their review.

Southwestern Regional Police Department Board Minutes – September and October 2011

The Minutes of the Southwestern Regional Police Department Board meeting for the months of September and October 2011 were presented to Council for their review.

Consider Approval of the 2012 Southwestern Regional Police Department Budget

William T. Gentzler made a motion, seconded by Samuel H. Spagnola, to approve the 2012 budget for the Southwestern Regional Police Department. Motion carried.

Board/Budgetary Concerns Meeting

Mayor Aumen extended an invitation to Council from Chief Bean to attend the police board meeting on Wednesday, November 9 at 7:00 PM. A good representation of municipal members will assist in an effort for an agreement for the 2012 police budget.

Spring Grove Historical Society Anniversary Celebration

Mayor Aumen informed everyone present that the Spring Grove Historical Preservation Society will be holding an Open House on Saturday, November 12 from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM and Sunday, November 13 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM to celebrate their 25th Anniversary of the organization.

Manager's Report

Sewer Rate Survey Results

Manager Shaffer presented to Council a survey conducted for sewer rates that other municipalities are charging in the area.

Refuse Contract Increase

Manager Shaffer presented Council with a letter he received from Penn Waste stating that effective January 1, 2012, disposal rates at the York County Resource Recovery Facility are increasing \$3.00 per ton. As a result of this disposal increase, Penn Waste will need to increase its monthly rate by \$226.00 per month beginning January 1, 2012. After discussions, William T. Gentler made a motion, seconded by Samuel H. Spagnola, to amend the 2012 proposed budget to increase the refuse rate from \$45.00 per quarter to \$46.00 per quarter effective January 1, 2012. Motion carried.

York County Borough's Association Dinner Banquet

Manager Shaffer informed Council that the York County Borough's Association Dinner Banquet will be held November 9, 2011. Those interested in attending are asked to let Manager Shaffer know by November 8.

Engineer's Report
C.S. Davidson, Inc.

Roof Replacement Status

Engineer Mike Knouse reported to Council that the roof replacement project is substantially complete. The final inspection is scheduled for this week. He will have actual paperwork applications at next month's meeting. Also, Engineer Knouse reported that the ADA improvements are substantially complete.

ARRO Engineering, Inc.

2012 Main Street Sewer Rehabilitation Project Estimate

Engineer Warfel reported that since Council has decided to only rehabilitation of manholes on Main Street in 2012, he will have the design work finished up by the end of November.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Fazzinni was present in the absence of Solicitor Jones.

Earned Income Tax Ordinance - Act 32

Michael H. Altland made a motion, seconded by William T. Gentzler, to approve Ordinance No. 1-2011, which readopts the Earned Income Tax Ordinance allowing the Borough to collect the same .5% that has been collected in the past 40 years. Motion carried.

Michelle Prince Land Use Appeal

Solicitor Fazzinni reported to Council that Ms. Prince has not appeared to reapply for a Zoning Hearing Board meeting as of this date.

Zoning & Codes Enforcement

Zoning Officer's Report – October 2011

The Zoning Officer's Report for October 2011 was presented to Council for their review.

Code Enforcement Report –October 2011

The Code Enforcement Report, which shows code violations issued in the month of October 2011, as well as the status of outstanding violations, was presented to Council for their review.

Rental Property Inspection Report – October 2011

There were no rental property inspections to report to Council for the month of October.

Recreation

Spring Grove Regional Parks & Recreation Center Meeting Minutes – September 2011

The minutes of the Regional Parks and Recreation Center Board meeting for the month of September 2011 were presented to Council for their review.

Consider Approval of 2012 Spring Grove Regional Parks and Recreation Center Budget

William T. Gentzler made a motion, seconded by Curtis J. Spagnola, to approve the 2012 budget for the Spring Grove Regional Parks and Recreation Center. Motion carried with a nay vote from Michael H. Altland.

Unfinished Business

PSAB Pension Plan Statement – Month Ending September 2011

Manager Shaffer presented the monthly report of the Municipal Retirement Trust to Council for their review.

Executive Session

Council convened into executive session at 7:20 PM to discuss two personnel matters. Council reconvened at 8:23 PM. William T. Gentzler made a motion, seconded by Peter A. Lombardi, to approve an employee Christmas bonus of \$250 for full time employees and \$75 for part time employees. A Roll Call Vote was taken. Voting Aye: William T. Gentzler, Richard P. Legore, Peter A. Lombardi. Voting Nay: Michael H. Altland, Samuel H. Spagnola, Curtis J. Spagnola. Being a tie vote, Mayor Aumen voting Aye, thus, passing the motion.

William T. Gentzler made a motion, seconded by Richard P. Legore, to approve placement of Christmas bonuses into the proposed budget for 2012. A Roll Call Vote was taken. Voting Aye: William T. Gentzler, Richard P. Legore, Peter A. Lombardi. Voting Nay: Michael H. Altland, Curtis J. Spagnola, Samuel H. Spagnola. Being a tie vote, Mayor Aumen voted Aye, thus, passing the motion.

New Business

Consider Authorizing Advertisement of the 2012 Budget and Tax Notice

William T. Gentzler made a motion, seconded by Peter A. Lombardi, authorizing the advertisement of the 2012 Budget and Tax Notice. Motion carried.

Consider Authorizing Advertisement of Ordinance No. 2-2011 – Increasing the Fee for Parking Violations

Michael H. Altland made a motion, seconded by Curtis J. Spagnola, authorizing the advertisement of Ordinance No. 2-2011, which increases parking tickets from \$15 to \$25, effective January 1, 2012. Motion carried with a nay vote from William T. Gentzler.

Correspondence

None

Hearing no further business, the meeting was adjourned until the Committee Meeting to be held Monday, November 21, 2011 at 7:00 P.M.

Adjournment was at 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa J. Helm, Recording Secretary