

Newport Borough council
January 19, 2016 - Mid Month Meeting
Newport, Pennsylvania

President Gerald Robinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with Borough Council Members Tami Halstead, Carl Roush, John McNaughton and Douglas Beatty. Council Members penny Frownfelter and Richard Delancey were absent.

OTHER PRESENT – Mayor Mary Hetrick and Secretary/Treasurer Patricia Bowers.

GUESTS – Paddi Sharar, Tom Fitzpatrick, Luke Roman, Jeannine Matulivich, Kathleen Bentley, Doug Bentley, Kelley Coey, Erica Scharr.

PLAYGROUND UPDATE – Paddi Sharar reported Larson Group did not come in today because the contractor Wayne Leshner needs to get the bonds done for the playground project. When that is done then they can make the agreement and be here at the next meeting.

NEWPORT MILLWORKS PRESENT BY HUDSON COMPANIES – Kelly Coey from the Hudson Companies gave a brief presentation of the Newport Millworks Project. It will be a (3) story addition of 39 residential apartment units. The District Office, the Literacy Council along with Perry County Partnership (they will be the service provider). They will have 24 - (1) bedroom of which (2) will be for the handicapped and 15 - (2) bedroom apartments of which (2) will be for the handicapped. The (1) bedroom will be 600 square feet and the (2) bedroom will be 780 square feet. The Cumberland Housing Authority will be managing the building. There will be a community room available and a small fitness center. A portion of the roof will be a green roof. This is affordable housing. Rents will range from \$675.00 to \$972.00. Their grant must be submitted by March 4th. Funding is awarded in July. If they are awarded they will be back to do the rest of the paperwork. They could build in the spring of 2017. Erica Scharr of Marks Kramer Architects reviewed the revised site layout. This project would be subsidized through a tax credit program. This is not a HUD Project. The total budget for the project is \$14.3 million of which \$10 million is for construction. The Perry County Housing Partnership and Hudson Companies will own the building. The main parking will be a part of the project. They will be appearing in front of the Zoning Hearing Board for approval of variances. They will be asking for a variance on the number of parking spaces required. They will have 74 spaces. This does not include the (7) parking spaces on the street. They need (98) spaces. The auto parts distributor will be moving out. This will be a residential. There is no age restriction. There may be families living there also. Jeannine Matulivich commented she started with Perry Housing in 2007. The same management company that takes care of the senior housing at the Newport Hotel and the Butz Building will take care of the Newport Millworks. She would like partner with the borough and NRPS in getting involved with fixing up some of the single family houses within the borough. Hudson Companies and Perry Housing Partnership asked for the support of Borough Council in this project. President Robinson thanked everyone for their presentation. Question was asked what are the taxes for this property.

APPROVAL OF BILLS – Cl'm Beatty moved, seconded by Cl'm Roush to pay the outstanding bills in the amount of \$12,251.31 from the General Fund Account and pay the Patch Management Invoice in the amount of \$19,000.00 from the General Fund Account for pothole repairs in the alleys. Cl'm Halstead asked if there were any other companies that does what Patch Management does? President Robinson answered no not with that process. Cl'm Halstead commented in other words Patch Management is the only company that does this type of patch repair. By law you must get (3) phone quotes if over \$10,400 to \$19,400. We could not obtain quotes because there are no other companies which provide this process. President Robinson commented he is not aware of any; this is a patented proprietary process. It is unique and is a new process. Could not get an apples to apples comparison quote. Cl'm Halstead commented for the minutes the reason for not having quotes is that there is no other company that perform the services that Patch Management does and that there process is proprietary. Motion to pay the bills was carried unanimously. President Robinson reported we do have another proposal for another process from Hempt Brothers. They will be demonstrating that process on February 2nd. He asked Borough Council to allow the purchase of 10 bags to try and split the cost with the NBWA. Cl'm McNaughton commented we should have had a demonstration before we had Patch Management do their job. He wasn't happy with the job done. President Robinson commented he would

just like to see something done with the alleys. They don't have a base like most of the streets in town. We need to do something. Cl'm McNaughton commented we should know exactly what we are getting. Cl'm Halstead commented we need to have the paperwork and we need things in writing. President Robinson commented we talked about Patch Management for a couple of months. Everyone could have looked at these things yourselves.

AMENDMENT TO PARKING PERMIT RENEWALS - A list of the amendments for the Parking Permit renewal was distributed. Mayor Hetrick recommendations were to make the permit parking annual instead of semi-annual. They must have the renewal application submitted by January 31st annual for approval. No reminder letters to be sent out and if not submitted by due date their sign will be pulled. New applications will have a filing fee of \$25.00. No annual filing fee after that. Annual fee will be \$100.00 and application requirements will remain the same. Cl'm Roush moved, seconded by Cl'm Halstead to revise the Ordinance for Permit Parking and advertise the proposed amendments for final adoption. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PARKING PERMIT FOR ANNA WEVODAU – Mayor Hetrick received a renewal application from Anna Wevodau with the proper documentation and fees paid. She recommended approval. Cl'm Halstead moved, seconded by Cl'm McNaughton to approve the renewal of the parking permit for Anna Wevodau. Motion carried unanimously.

112-114 MARKET STREET – President Robinson reported no one is living in the building at 112-114 Market Street. The water needs to be shut off. He is concerned about the lines breaking. It has a 1" line. This building will keep getting in worse and worse shape. We have been proactive about this building and we need to continue. We need to figure out what we are going to do. President Robinson will contact Landisburg Bank to see who owns the building. He will advise the bank of Council's concerns. This is a growing public health and safety issue. He will have the info for next meeting.

PART-TIME STREET HELP – Cl'm McNaughton moved, seconded by Cl'm Beatty to authorize the ad for part-time street help in the News Sun. Motion carried unanimously.

SELLING OF STREET VEHICLE – President Robinson commented seeing the need for a street sweeper since the storm sewer will be ours; he has been researching (3) different types. We can't afford a new one. It should be a regenerative air and should be equipped with a hose so we can do our inlets with it. He is finding prices ranging between \$45,000 and \$60,000 for a used one. Machine will probably be used (4) hours a week. We should think about selling one of the street vehicles. We can also use a portion of Liquid Fuels money. This would substantially reduce the General Fund monies that we would have to use. He is supposed to get pricing on a lease program, rental and used sale. We would get more value out of one of the newer trucks being sold.

COMMITTEE SIGNUP – President Robinson commented he is going to put committees back in place and he expects everyone to do their job. List was passed around to sign up. He will review the list.

ZONING HEARING BOARD ADVERTISEMENT – Cl'm Beatty moved, seconded by Cl'm Roush to authorize the ad for the Zoning Hearing Board Reorganization Meeting in the News Sun. Motion carried unanimously.

JR COUNCIL PERSON – President Robinson met with the new superintendant at the school in regards to getting the students involved with municipal government as a Junior Council person. Talked about the possibility of taking (2) individuals; a sophomore and a junior. President Robinson made the offer; see if we get any interested students.

There being no further business to come before Borough Council, Cl'm Roush moved, seconded by Cl'm Beatty to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted
Patricia Bowers, Secretary

