

UPLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
April 14, 2015

The meeting of the Upland Borough Council was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Edward Mitchell. The meeting was held in the Upland Municipal Building.

Present were President Edward Mitchell and Vice President Christine Peterson. Council members present were Ms. Moira Crawford, Mr. Harold Peden, Mr. Leland Hunter, Mr. Charles Catania, Sr., P.E., Mr. Robert O'Connor, Esq., and Mr. Gregory Grillone, Borough Manager/Secretary/Treasurer. Mr. Mitchell stated Councilwoman Sandra Miazza was excused due to illness and all wish her a speedy recovery. Mr. Mitchell also wanted to welcome the new Borough Manager, Mr. Greg Grillone.

Mr. Ken Stark, Reporter, Leslie Krowchenko, Reporter for the Delaware County Times and approximately nine (9) residents/guests were also in attendance.

President Mitchell led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a moment of silence followed by roll call.

5. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only

No one commented.

6. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

A-1 Council Meeting Minutes - March 24, 2015

Ms. Crawford made a motion to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of March 24, 2015. Mr. Peden seconded the motion. All Council voted Aye on the motion.

A-2 Bid Opening Minutes - March 31, 2015

Ms. Crawford made a motion to approve the Bid Opening Minutes of March 31, 2015. Mr. Peden seconded the motion. All Council voted Aye on the motion.

7. Treasurer's Report

A-1 Treasurer's Report

Ms. Crawford made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented and Mr. Peden seconded the motion. All Council voted Aye on the motion.

A-2 Income Statement

Ms. Crawford made a motion to accept the Income Statements as presented and Mr. Peden seconded the motion. All Council voted Aye on the motion.

8. Auburn Village Report - Christine Peterson

Reports progress.

9. Public Safety Report - Harold R. Peden

A-1 Fire Marshall's Report

Mr. Peden read the monthly report for March 2015 into record.

A-2 Fire Company's Report

A. February 2015

Mr. Peden read the monthly report into record on behalf of the Fire Chief.

B. March 2015

Mr. Peden read the monthly report into record on behalf of the Fire Chief.

10. Code Officer's Report - Leland Hunter

Mr. Hunter read the code Officer's Report into record.

11. Building & Grounds Report - Sandra Miazza

Reports progress.

12. Finance & Insurance Report - Moira Crawford

A-1 Approval of General Fund Bills - \$ 205,156.99

Ms. Crawford made a motion to approve the General Fund Bills for the month of March 2015 in the amount of \$ 205,156.99. Mr. Peden seconded the motion. Mr. Mitchell abstained from check number 32497 and Aye on the remainder. All other Council members present voted Aye on the motion.

A-2 Approval of Auburn Village Bills - \$ 36,216.00

Ms. Crawford made a motion to approve the Auburn Village Bills for the month of March 2015 in the amount of \$ 36,216.00. Mr. Peden seconded the motion. All Council present voted Aye on the motion.

13. Ordinances & Resolutions Report - Harold R. Peden

A-1 Motion to Advertise Proposed Ordinance No. 2 of 2015

- *Creating Chapter 20 "Personnel"*

Mr. Peden read Ordinance No. 2 of 2015; *Creating Chapter 20 "Personnel"* into record. Mr. Peden made a motion to authorize advertisement of Ordinance No. 2 of 2015. Mrs. Peterson seconded the motion. All Council voted Aye on the motion.

A-2 Motion to Pass and Adopt Resolution No. 8 of 2015
- *Appointment of Harris Bloom to the Upland Borough Zoning Hearing Board*

Mr. Peden read Resolution No. 8 of 2015; *Appointment of Harris Bloom to the Upland Borough Zoning Hearing Board* into record. Mr. Peden made a motion that Resolution No.8 of 2015 be passed and adopted as presented. Mrs. Peterson seconded the motion. Mr. Hunter abstained while all other Council voted Aye on the motion.

A-3 Motion to Pass and Adopt Resolution No. 9 of 2015
- *Hiring of Auburn Village Mechanic, Dariusz Grodzki*

Mr. Peden read; Resolution No. 9 of 2015; *Hiring of Auburn Village Mechanic, Dariusz Grodzki* into record. Mr. Peden made a motion that Resolution No. 9 of 2015 be passed and adopted as presented. Ms. Crawford seconded the motion. All Council voted Aye on the motion.

14. Research & Development - Moira Crawford

Ms. Crawford reported the website had 5,786 page views for the month of March 2015. The most page views, ever, on our website occurred on March 17; when we had 386 page views. Mr. Mitchell asked "They were pictures?" Ms. Crawford explained the page views would be a view by someone who goes onto the website and clicks to view different items. Ms. Crawford further reported that we had 2,730 visitors, with approximately 88 visitors per day. And we had the most visitors per day on March 12th with 169 visitors.

Ms. Crawford stated "As everyone can see, those that visit the website, we have a new re-design on that. It took a little bit of time but its' up and running. I believe it would be a little bit more user-friendly for people to visit and it has great photographs." We also added photos from the Saint Paddy's Day Luncheon, the Oldies Dance, the Easter Egg Hunt, and The Breakfast with the Easter Bunny.

15. Streets & Equipment - Christine Peterson

Mr. Mitchell stated reports progress and to be used in item #20.

16. Community Affairs - Sandy Miazza

Reports progress.

17. Use & Occupancy Report - Gregory Grillone

Mr. Grillone read the Use and Occupancy Report of March 2015 into record.

18. Mayor's Report - Michael Ciach

Mayor Ciach read the Mayor's Report into record for the month of March 2015.

Mayor Ciach reported, on behalf of Chief Ocasio, as he was unable to attend the council meeting due to a presentation for his continuing education efforts. There are a few items that Chief Ocasio wished to report.

The police department is in the process of developing their own webpage. The domain would be www.uplandpolice.org. Also, they will be incorporating the new borough seal into a new police badge. Officer Massi has completed his training, and is now well on his way as a part time police officer. We received a kudos from Brookhaven Borough. Chief McGoldrick had sent us a letter recognizing Officer Samanthe Wilding for her participation in an incident that happened in their Borough on April 8, 2015 at Kmart.

Mayor Ciach continued about the webpage; "As per the Chief's report, we will go live tomorrow. We will be the first Borough in Delaware County to actually go live on the E-Citation Program."

Mayor Ciach mentioned he received his renewal application to the Mayor's Association of the State of Pennsylvania. He asked if Council would pay for this fee. Mr. Mitchell stated this request needed no further action as it is a requirement and we will pay for this fee as we have done in the past.

19. Solicitor's Report - Robert O'Connor

Mr. O'Connor read his March 2015 report into record.

20. Engineer's Report - Charles Catania

A-1 Recommendation to Award 2015 Resurfacing Program Project

Mr. Catania mentioned that for the 2015 Road Program, A.F. Damon, Inc. was the lowest bidder at \$67,287.50. He recommends the award of the contract to A.F. Damon.

Mrs. Peterson made a motion to award the 2015 Road Program to A.F. Damon. Mr. Peden seconded the motion. All Council voted Aye on the motion.

A-2 Motion to Authorize the Borough Solicitor to Prepare Necessary Contracts

Mrs. Peterson made a motion to authorize the Borough Solicitor to prepare the necessary documents. Ms. Crawford seconded the motion. All Council voted Aye on the motion.

21. Old Business

There was no old business.

22. New Business

A-1 Motion to Cancel Second Meeting of the Month - April 28, 2015

Ms. Crawford made a motion to cancel the second meeting of the month, April 28, 2015. Mrs. Peterson seconded the motion. All Council voted Aye on the motion.

23. Floor Open to Public

Mr. Paul Michaelwicz, Ivy Lane resident, approached Council to inform them that the Police deserve a kudos for helping him during quick response, so he wanted to thank them.

Mr. Michaelwicz also wanted mention about the “the little river” through the Tot Lot. The gullies are still there and he just wanted to bring to Council’s attention as he personally witnessed seven (7) children fall in that area during the Easter Egg Hunt. Mr. Mitchell mentioned that most likely due to the inclement and unpredictable weather last month, it restricted the Engineer from looking into this.

Mr. George Oronzio, Woodside Avenue resident, wanted to mention to the Street Department regarding the large crack in the road. The crack is huge, from side to side of the road and beginning to sink at this time. Mr. Mitchell assured Mr. Oronzio that this matter will be looked into by the Borough Manager.

24. Adjournment

Mrs. Peterson made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Crawford seconded the motion. Council verbally voted Aye on the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Grillone
Borough Manager/Secretary/Treasurer

Shannon Strigle
Recording Secretary