

**BOROUGH OF EAST WASHINGTON  
COUNCIL MEETING  
February 11, 2008  
MINUTES**

Council of the Borough of East Washington met in Regular Session on Monday, February 11, 2008, at 6:00 p.m., with the following Members and Borough Officials present:

- Mark A. Pacilla, Mayor of the Borough of East Washington
- Blake E. McCandless, Borough Council President
- Joanne K. Coyle, Borough Council Vice-President
- Jeffrey D. Bull
- Marilyn A. Posner
- Kelley L. Dickson
- Robert G. Dickson
- Cary Jones, Solicitor for the Borough of East Washington
- Heather Walsh, Borough Secretary
- James A. Helicke, Code Enforcement Officer
- Mark Connors, Constable
- Robert W. Redlinger, Chief of Police

Also present: Christie Campbell, of the Observer-Reporter

Absent: James D. Ealy

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Council President, Blake E. McCandless, called the Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion** made by Marilyn A. Posner and seconded by Kelley L. Dickson to approve the Minutes of the January 21, 2008, Borough of East Washington Council Meeting.

**Vote:** All Ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

**Motion** made by Joanne K. Coyle and seconded by Robert G. Dickson to approve the current bills for payment.

**Vote:** Five (5) Ayes. One (1) Abstention (Marilyn A. Posner, due to one of the bills being reimbursement to her of registration fee for a two-day borough officials seminar she attended). Motion was carried.

**SECRETARY REPORT**

Borough Secretary Heather Walsh distributed the financial reports.

**STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Jeffrey D. Bull stated that the new front doors for the Borough building are being painted and will be ready for installation. Mr. Bull stated that the bricks next to the front doors will be repaired.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

No report.

#### CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Code Enforcement Officer James A. Helicke stated that the owner of 43 Aylesworth Avenue has been given some more time to repair the siding and replace the missing window.

Mr. Helicke stated that a local minister has contacted him about having his group provide the labor for work around the Borough. Council indicated that they would be interested.

Joanne K. Coyle asked about the status of the property on Penn Street with the zoning issue.

Mr. Helicke stated that the tenants should be out at the end of this month.

#### COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Vice-President Joanne K. Coyle asked the other members of Council and the Mayor if they knew of someone who would be able to add some things like pictures to the Borough Web page.

Kelly L. Dickson stated that she thinks that W & J College students might be interested and she would contact the college.

Marilyn A. Posner stated that the solid waste and recyclables committee of herself, Mayor Pacilla and Jim Ealy will meet on Thursday, February 21, 2008, at 11 a.m. to review the exemption requests. The committee will then make recommendations to Council.

Mrs. Posner stated that Allied Waste is doing its best to work with the Borough and the resident customers. Two South Strabane Township properties, Weimer and Gabriel, will join the garbage collection and be billed by the Borough. Council asked the Borough Secretary to send letters to the few other properties just outside the Borough, that are accessed by Borough streets, to see if they would be interested in joining the Borough garbage and recyclables collection.

Mrs. Posner stated that she will check on the cost of getting recyclables picked up from the Borough twice a month, instead of once a month.

Council President Blake E. McCandless stated that a PennDOT Outreach meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 6, 2008, at 1:00 p.m. Mr. McCandless and Mr. Bull will attend the meeting.

#### MAYOR'S REPORT

Borough Mayor Mark A. Pacilla stated that the Borough received a letter of thanks from the Madvay family for the funeral flowers.

Mayor Mark Pacilla and Mrs. Posner stated they attended a presentation session for the requests made by the Borough to the Washington County Local Share Account to discuss the Borough's request for funding for five projects.

#### SOLICITOR'S REPORT

##### **Real Estate Tax Collector**

Borough Solicitor Cary Jones stated that he has reviewed the abilities of a Real Estate Tax Collector to have assistance from someone who would be a "deputy." The Borough and School District would both need to draft a resolution in support.

A Committee of Mayor Mark A. Pacilla, Council President Blake E. McCandles, and Vice-President Joanne K. Coyle, will meet with Real Estate Tax Collector Milton J. Schuler, and Heather Walsh, on Monday, February 18, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. to further discuss this matter.

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Motion** was made by Robert G. Dickson and seconded by Kelley L. Dickson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL  
OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST WASHINGTON  
WILL BE ON MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2008, AT 6:00 PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Walsh,  
Borough Secretary