

KULPMONT BOROUGH
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 10, 2013

Opening Prayer by Councilman Scicchitano
The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by the body present, Kulpmont Borough Council
held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday December 10, 2013

Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Mayor Myron F. Turlis, Nicholas Bozza, Clarence H. Deitrick, Stephanie Niglio, Philip Scicchitano, Bruno R. Varano, Joseph A. Winhofer, Stephen Motyka.

APPOINTED POSITION: Borough Solicitor William C. Cole and Paul A. Niglio.

PRESENT: Code Official Russ Moroz, Borough Secretary Rhonda Wilk and Corporal Michael Pitcavage and Bruce Graff.

OTHERS PRESENT: Bernard Novakoski, Nick Nestico, Paul Vincenzes, Robert Michalkovich, Lorrie Zvoncheck, Tony Jellen, Steve Matzura, David Hertzog, Amy Hetzog, Marsha Matzura, Tony Kandrot, Bill Maher, Frank Bergonia and David Bango.

NONE ABSENT

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO SPEAK ON ANYTHING THAT IS ON THE AGENDA:

No one spoke

PRESIDENTS REPORT (Bruno R. Varano)

President Varano states that at this time he would like to have a moment of silence for the girl who lost her life at the recent fire in Shamokin.

Mr. Varano states that approval will be needed to advertise the 2014 tax increase for General Purposes.

MOTION- A motion was made by Mr. Deitrick and seconded by Mr. Winhofer to advertise the reorganization meeting for general purpose for Monday January 6th at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL VOTE- BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (yes)
7 YEAS – 0 NAYS

MAYORS REPORT (Myron F. Turlis)

Mayor Turlis states that the Santa Sleigh will be at Town Park on December 19th between 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM weather permitting. The Mayor states that hotdogs and hot chocolate would be available for the event.

The Mayor states that the Grant check that we will receive from the county for the Demo/Cleanup for 916 Chestnut Street, we should be receiving that check this week. There is a stipulation with that and a letter will accompany that check stating that the Borough must maintain ownership of that property for a designated period of time as the letter will state if it is sold the money must be returned.

SECRETARY REPORT (Rhonda Wilk)

Rhonda states that approval is needed from the November 2013 meeting minutes.

MOTION- Mr. Deitrick made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Bozza to approve the meeting minutes from the November 12th regular monthly meeting.

VOICE VOTE-

Unanimous

Rhonda Wilk states that the Borough received a letter from Gods Chuckwagon and it was copied to Mayor and Council.

MOTION- Mr. Deitrick makes the motion and was seconded by Mr. Bozza to approve Gods Chuckwagon soup kitchen to serve the Borough starting Monday January 13th from 5:30 -6:30 PM.

VOICE VOTE-

Unanimous

Mr. Deitrick states that we could cone a section off so that parking is available. Nick Bozza states that they will cone off an area for the bus to park.

TREASURERS REPORT (Paul A. Niglio)

Mr. Niglio states that approval is needed to pay the bills and to approve the financial statement.

MOTION- Mr. Deitrick makes the motion and is seconded by Mr. Winhofer to pay the bills and to approve the financial statement.

ROLL CALL VOTE- BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (yes)
7 YEAS – 0 NAYS

Mr. Niglio states that Council received a copy of the tentative budget that needs to be adopted and states he will go through this quickly. Mr. Niglio states that General Fund includes recommendation increasing the mill to 1.5. Mr. Niglio states that we are asking for a 1.5 increase to downsize the General Fund and states that all of the adjustments in personnel transactions that happened in the last 3 months were made, the insurances and the changes in premiums. He states there is a multitude of plusses and minuses, this is a tentative spending plan, it could change until Council adopts a final budget in the next month or whenever Council sees fit. Mr. Niglio states being the prudent administrator that I am, I am recommending that we go with the 1.5 mill increase and states that this budget deals with our current situation and has nothing to do with the new building. Mr. Niglio states that the only thing that is in the budget is the receipt of the loan and the payment that does not include any expenditures or payments which we probably will not have until 2015. Based on what council spends on a new facility, we will worry about that in the future, so I recommend that council adopts the tentative budget for The General Fund, General Fund Receipts \$2,098,960.00 with expenditures the same. Mr. Niglio states that the Highway Budget of \$100,575.00 with expenditures the same. Mr. Niglio states that Police Pension \$338,000.00 with expenditures of \$20,500.00 and fund equity Balance of \$317,500.00.

MOTION- To adopt and advertise the tentative budget for 2014 by Mr. Deitrick and seconded by Mr. Varano.

ROLL CALL VOTE- BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (yes)
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Mr. Niglio states that just so everyone understands we have 1500 properties in Kulpmont and the average assessment on those properties is close to \$9,000.00 and basically right now the average is \$161.00 of taxes on a house half pay more and half pay less.

Mr. Niglio states that 1.5 mill increases is \$13.00 on the average using his parents as example the increase would be \$9.50 and that is why he states that he made the argument a few months ago and states that increase is not a lot of money.

Mr. Niglio states that approval is needed to advertise the Real Estates Tax Ordinance for 2014 which would be 14 mills for General Purposes, 3 for light and 3 for fire.

MOTION- Mr. Deitrick makes the motion and was seconded by Mr. Scicchitano to approve and advertise the tax ordinance for 2014 increase of 1.5 mills for the 2014 tax year.

Mr. Winhofer questions if the 1.5 mill increase he is suggesting is under fire. Mr. Niglio states that it would go under General Purposes and states that he is just showing a separate line item with the increase of 1.5 mills and equals \$18,700.00.

Mr. Winhofer asks what is on the fire right now. Mr. Niglio states that it is 3 mills, 3 mills for light and 3 mills for fire protection and General Purposes is 12.5 at this time.

Mr. Varano asks if we have any additional questions and if not ask for a roll call vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE- BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (yes)
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SOLICITORS REPORT (William C. Cole)

No Report

POLICE REPORT (Corporal Michael Pitcavage)

Report Attachment 2

FIRE CHIEF REPORT (Raymond Siko)

Report Attachment 3

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (Kevin O’Hearn)

No Report

BUILDING INSPECTORS REPORT (Stephen G. Bielskie, Sr.)

No Report

CODE/HEALTH ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS REPORT (Russ Moroz)

Report Attachment 4

Mr. Moroz states that concerning 916 Chestnut Street he states that he inspected the property and talked with the contractor and the property has been cleaned up and a test hole was dug for his inspection and states that everything looks good and that he did a nice job.

Mr. Moroz states he also talked with the sewer authority and the sewer has been capped, everything looks good.

Mr. Varano states he would like to thank the county the mayor and council, he states that it has been a long road and it’s finally done.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (Philip Scicchitano)

Mr. Scicchitano states that we have a letter of recommendations for fire chiefs and states that he wants to put that off until we have the reorganization meeting and meet with those folks and make sure they are here.

SERVICE/FACILITIES COMMITTEE (Nichols Bozza)

Mr. Bozza states that the Borough will hold a food surplus distribution on December 19th from 8:00 AM until 12 noon.

Mr. Bozza states concerning the stadium, he questions if it should just be locked and states that it is not being used and the playground equipment is down so there is not really any reason for anyone to go in there.

Mr. Deitrick states that he thinks some may play basketball up there and states that he does not know for sure.

Mr. Bozza states that he was talking to an individual who lives by the stadium and questions if anybody uses the area this time of year, he states that he was talking to an individual that lives by the stadium and states that it is getting beat up and questions if it is getting locked at night.

Mr. Scicchitano questions if we ever locked it for the whole winter in the past.

Mr. Deitrick states it has not been locked for the whole winter that he can recall in the last 25 years.

Corporal Pitcavage states that they do lock it at night.

Mr. Deitrick states that he recommends that it be locked from dusk to dawn.

Council discusses the matter and it was decided to lock the gates for 5:00 PM and Mr. Varano states that we will try that for a month.

Mr. Bozza states that the other issue is that Metro Pest Control is now providing baiting service of the sewers and states that the Sewer Authority presently baits the sewers and questions if the service from Metro Pest Control is needed.

Mr. Niglio states that they just finally sent us a bill for eight months; it was recommended that we discontinue this because we are duplicating services.

MOTION- Mr. Deitrick makes the motion and was seconded by Mr. Bozza to discontinue the baiting service from Metro Pest Control and discontinue the duplicate service.

ROLL CALL VOTE- BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (yes)

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Mr. Deitrick states that he asked Rhonda to get some quotes together for our dumpster service here at the borough.

Mr. Deitrick states that we received a quote from Mostik and it is a third of the cost that we pay now to Waste Management.

Mr. Varano states that they did that at the Sobieski Club and it was a huge monthly savings.

Mr. Deitrick states that it is a 66% savings.

MOTION- Mr. Deitrick makes the motion and was seconded by Mr. Winhofer to switch to Mostick Brothers for our garbage hauling at the Borough Building and discontinue the services from Waste Management.

ROLL CALL VOTE- BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (yes)
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FINANCE AND PURCHASING COMMITTEE (Stephen Motyka)

No Report

CODE/HEALTH and SAFETY COMMITTEE (Bruno R. Varano)

No Report

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE (Stephanie Niglio)

No Report

GRANTS AND RECREATION (Clarence H. Deitrick)

Mr. Deitrick states that he and Rhonda are going to meet with DEP next week on some upcoming grants and we will check on some new equipment and some bins and educational material.

Mr. Deitrick states that for pick ups they only will pay 10% and we would have to pay 90%.

Mr. Deitrick states that they will pay 90% of a dump truck but only 10% for a pick up and we even explained that for some of our narrower streets a pick up would work better however that is their rules.

Mr. Deitrick states that our third dump truck is getting older so we could use one and some educational materials and some bins are needed.

BUILDING COMMITTEE (Stephen Motyka)

Mr. Motyka states that after talking about the vandalism at the town park he met with Mr. Tamberelli to work on getting a price for two cameras down there and states that they would use a wireless router that the police could monitor the area within two blocks and states that is something that can be considered.

Mr. Scicchitano states that there is a program on line and the total cost is only about \$150.00 and states that he has that and they could monitor the playground stadium area and the town park from the office and states that this can be paid for and no monthly fee would apply.

Mr. Motyka states that secondly he spoke with a architect designer and our initial floor plans were approved from the department of agriculture we should have plans back in mid January.

Mr. Motyka states that he read an article about a year ago about receiving federal funds available for the purchase of a generator if the boroughs building would be used as a disaster center and states that may be something to look into to purchase a generator.

RENTAL COMMITTEE (Phil Scicchitano)

Mr. Scicchitano states that he Russ and Steve Matzura are trying to make some improvements on the policy and states that he knows everybody is here concerning the fee of \$120.00 per year and states that Steve has been working on trying to improve other stuff and states that many issues and problems come from tenants not cooperating with the borough and not with the landlords.

Mr. Scicchitano states that Steve will come up here and address all of council this evening and the landlord concerns all are different not everyone feels the same way.

He states that fee is \$120.00 and that is what the fee is for this year and that does not mean that it cannot change but it is not going to change by everyone coming in here and arguing and everything else.

Mr. Scicchitano states that we have some facts together but we do not have everything, Paul Niglio, Russ and William Cole are going to start working on their end, but we didn't keep track of that stuff in 2013 at all, so Russ is keeping a daily journal now.

Mr. Scicchitano asks that if anyone has any questions to please wait until Steve Matzura is done speaking and then if anyone has any questions they could wait until the end of the meeting to comment.

Mr. Motyka states that he is the councilperson that made the motion to increase the fee and he put a couple of notes together to take a look at and he passed them out to the landlords.

Mr. Matzura states that he is a landlord on the committee and states that they met monthly and went line by line through the entire ordinance with the intent of identifying things in the ordinance that need further discussion.

Mr. Matzura states that when there was something that there was a question on it was highlighted for need of further discussion and in doing that he states they came up with a dozen different articles that were redundant ambiguous or didn't belong in there or needed further discussion.

Mr. Matzura states that is as far as they got with that ordinance.

Mr. Matzura states that he is willing to work with the committee and continue to work on that.

Mr. Matzura states that his main reason for being here tonight is the registration fee is \$120.00 and states that he learned of this last May and his understanding was that a motion was made and passed at a meeting and that there really was no discussion or involvement with the landlords.

Mr. Matzura states that is why he came to the June meeting and states that he has been involved in this before and has properties in several communities and states that he is familiar with the process, ordinances, fees and some of the law suits involved with that.

Mr. Matzura states that he went back and looked at the resolution because he states that he kind of hit a stumbling block and states that he has been in contact with several councilman and nobody has a answer where the magic number of \$120.00 came from and states that he had asked for an accounting of the codes office since June and every meeting it is not there, its not there, its not there and states that in November he put in a Right to Know Request for that accounting and states that he learned basically what Phil said, there is no accurate accounting of what is going on in the codes office and states that he is sure Paul has all of those numbers on what is coming in and what is going out but it is not separated.

Mr. Matzura states that his question is where you get that number for a fee when you have nothing to base it on.

Mr. Matzura states that in the Resolution it states that the registration fee is \$120.00 and states that he googled the term registration fee and the registration fee is a term which

refers to a sum of money required to enroll on an official register that is generally intended to defray the cost of administration fees.

Mr. Matzura states that he knows what a register is but he googled it anyway and basically it is a formal list of names, transactions and things like that.

Mr. Matzura states that in this case the register is the landlords that complied and states to be on that register he needs information from the Borough so the Borough composes a letter and sends it out and ask for certain things and states that they need a copy of paid taxes, a copy of the sewer bill, liability insurance and states that he questions the legality of that and states for his rental property he needs insurance but for his house he does not, the address and the tenant information.

Mr. Matzura states that he brings the information down and now he is registered for \$120.00 when basically what Russ needs to do now is file it and that cost me \$120.00 for Rhonda's time to type one letter for my one unit if that took a ½ hour and give Russ a ½ hour, 1 hour or two hours for him to file it and that's \$120.00. This is a registration fee I am paying for and states that he is officially registered and that is all that he has to do.

Mr. Matzura states that a guy behind him with 20 units at \$2400.00 for twenty units is a little excessive.

Mr. Matzura states that as of yesterday surrounding communities Mount Carmel in the spring they raised theirs to \$100.00 and now lowered it to \$25.00, Coal Township is \$25.00, Shamokin is \$25.00, Berwick was \$100.00 and in June they are lowering it to \$30.00, Danville was \$75.00 and is now \$25.00. He states that we are new at this; they were doing this long before Kulpmont and have been through all of this there have been hearings an lawsuits and states that he has copies if anyone wants a copy.

Mr. Matzura states that the conclusion was that the Borough of Westchester had to pay back six years of fees plus interest because the fees do not match the services. The service of registration is just that, to document that he is registered and when you get into inspection fees Kulpmont is higher at than the others, he states Mount Carmel is \$40.00 and \$20.00.

Mr. Matzura states that Paul Vincenzes was involved with the negotiations in Mount Carmel in the beginning. Paul Vincenzes states that he was the one that started all of this back in 2008.

Mr. Matzura asks for council to allow Mr. Vincenzes a few minutes to speak and states that at this time he would just like council to put any money that has been collected in escrow and that the fees are due December 1st and asks that they can be pushed back a couple months until this can be resolved.

Mr. Matzura thanks council. Mr. Vincenzes states that he did start this back in 2008 and sat in on a committee and states that he lost a few friends over this and states his attitude

was that he did not want the tax payer paying for him to make money in the borough. He states that the issue came up in 2008 that the fee in another municipality was to high so they lowered that. Mr. Vincenzen states that they did shy away from that because they could not justify the fee. Mr. Vincenzen states that if the landlords are getting \$400.00 a month rent they are lucky and if they are getting paid every month they are lucky. Mr. Vincenzen states that the fee is exorbitant. Mr. Vincenzen states that he is speaking on Mount Carmel Property Management, managing 150 properties, Jeff Constello, with the amount of people we could have flooded this place. Mr. Vincenzen states that nobody is against paying a fee but this fee here is exorbitant. Mr. Vincenzen states that he has an idea if they want to stay at this fee lets charge contractors for every job they have. Mr. Winhofer states that contractors do pay a permit fee. Mr. Vincenzen states let's charge for every sewer repair, let's charge for every pizza that we sell. The Borough services go to police protection this and that and states that he feels that the Borough is picking on landlords to balance the budget and states that he does not think it's fair.

SENIOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Winhofer, Varano and Deitrick)

Mr. Winhofer states that he would like to meet in executive session with the Treasurer.

OLD BUSINESS

No one spoke

NEW BUSINESS

No one spoke

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Varano wishes all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Mr. David Hertzog and representing Northwestern Academy and states that he is the supervisor and states that they have a level system where students get the opportunity to come out into the community and do the things that kind of nullify the things that they have done in the past. He states that he has been a member since 1999 at the Pal and is requesting that the kids could come in on a Saturday with him fully supervised to use the Gym in return for clean up, painting things like that.

Mr. Hertzog states that they can possibly help with events, possibly participate in Bingo nights and such, they would be supervised by staff.

Mr. Varano states that he thinks it would be a great idea and directs him to meet with Mr. Deitrick.

Mr. Scicchitano suggest that he speak with Father Andrew about Bingo and states that he knows they have helped out with function there and possibly they could do some community activities there also.

Mr. Winhofer states that his idea on the landlord issues and his opinion.

Mr. Winhofer questions what if the Borough did \$100.00 for up to four units and then \$25.00 a unit after. Mr. Nick Nestico states that he does not understand. Mr. Winhofer states that he is stating \$25.00 a unit for 2014, which will give us a whole year to keep records. Mr. Winhofer states that it may have to go up in 2015 or it may go down.

Mr. Nestico states that he could live with that, but how Steven came up with \$500.00 he just does not know.

Mr. Nestico states that he is deciding what their profit is and that some of the profit should be paid to the Borough.

Mr. Nestico asks why landlords should be liable as landlords and states a business is a business and asks why a business does not pay something and asks why landlords should be subjected to this only.

Mr. Motyka states a business does not require us to have a full time code officer to baby-sit the properties and does not require most of our police to be called to rental properties.

Mr. Nestico states that is the silliest thing I have ever heard in his life.

Mr. Nestico states that you can open a business with no fees what so ever, but a landlord, I pay the most taxes in this town. He asks do you know how many houses we fixed up and put on the tax rolls and questions if the Borough does not appreciate that. He asks why a few bad apples have to cause all landlords to be penalized and states that the Borough should work to get rid of the bad apples.

Mr. Nestico states that the landlords try to work with everybody but to just come up with a figure like Mr. Motyka did is just something.

Mr. Nestico states that he did not ask for a code officer and states that everything is being pushed on them. Mr. Nestico questions Mr. Winhofer as to why he and other contractors should be any different than any other metropolis in this Borough.

Mr. Winhofer states that council is open for discussion and states that he brought something up to discuss and try to fix it and your yelling at us.

Mr. Nestico states that he is not yelling he is hard of hearing and talks loud and states that he is just questioning why other businesses made to pay.

Mr. Winhofer states that he would be the first to vote for a contractor's license in town and states that he does not have a problem with that.

Mr. Nestico states that he does not have a problem with that and is just using them as an example.

Mr. Nestico asks if the other businesses in town need the police and some of the stuff that we are using, that is unfair to make a statement like that and states that we have to straighten these things out.

Mr. Winhofer states he is saying \$100.00 from 1 to 4 units.

Mr. Nestico asks why \$100.00.

Mr. Winhofer states that one unit could cause as much trouble as four units. Mr. Nestico states he does not see it. Mr. Winhofer states that if our code officer is called three times a day four days a week it does have a lot to do with it.

Mr. Nestico states for what and asks why they would be called.

Mr. Winhofer states that they are called for garbage and other issues.

Mr. Nestico questions the code officer if this happens and the code officer acknowledges that it does.

Mr. Vincenzes states that we have to stop and we have to pay and states that he does not want a code officer. Mr. Vincenzes states that he feels the fee should be \$25.00 per unit and states that he does not want to pay \$25.00 but is willing to without an argument. Mr. Vincenzes states that the fee has to be figured out.

Mr. Winhofer states he is not saying \$100.00 per unit, he is saying if you own 1,2,3, or 4 its \$100.00 and after 4 it would be \$25.00 and states he proposes giving something back to the people who buy more and are fixing them up compared to the person who has one or two.

Mr. Winhofer states that if he owns 1 he pays \$100, 2 he pays \$100.00, 3 he pays \$100.00, four he pays \$100.00, if he owns five its \$125.00 and states that is just his idea and does not necessarily mean it is the idea of all of council.

Mr. Bozza suggests lets put a hold on this for right now and discuss this in committee.

Mr. Nestico states that he is sorry for landlords not showing up at the meetings and states this is partly their fault.

Mr. Nestico questions why two code guys have to be out riding around and why we need to pay two guys with that Venna guy jumping out of the vehicle and measuring grass.

Mr. Bozza states that the issue of grass and garbage has been discussed in the landlord committee and we are working on something with that concerning a lease.

Mr. Deitrick states that the grass ordinance is 6” and whether the tenant or the landlord is responsible has nothing to do with us, that is up to you as landlords to decide and the 6” grass is someone’s responsibility.

Mr. Nestico states that Mount Carmel does it they have a form you fill out that the tenant is responsible.

Mr. Winhofer states what recourse you have then; you have none you cannot file a lien against them they will just pack up and leave and then what.

Mr. Nestico states that John Timm said at one time to a tenant that if you do not move that garbage and cut that grass I am giving Nick Nestico a fine. Mr. Niglio suggested the Borough adopt Mt. Carmel’s Ordinance.

Mrs. Niglio states that this is Mount Carmel’s Ordinance right here and reads it aloud, stating it was passed March 21’ 2010 and reads where it states that the owner/landlord shall be responsible.

Mr. Nestico states they have a newer one and then states no that is the new one and states that he wants to adopt that because it is fair and states he does not love it but its fair and if you’re a landlord you do not want a code officer.

Mr. Deitrick states that we will move the deadline back 2 months for now until this can be discussed and decided.

Mr. Nestico states that he wants to keep the town nice also, but he feels its getting carried away and states that he does not know about needing a guy driving around with the code officer.

Mr. Varano states that is like saying we do not need the police.

Mr. Nestico states that he is not saying that and states that he is going back to Mount Carmel they have one code officer Robin Williams and he takes care of everything but what do you need two guys for. He states that Angie Venna had high grass and states that he told Mr. Scicchitano and he saw it but he did not get a fine. He asked Mr. Scicchitano if he saw it and Mr. Scicchitano said he did. Mr. Nestico questions how he gets a fine and he didn’t and states that something is wrong with that picture.

Mr. Varano states and this is why we need a code officer.

Mr. Nestico states that he pointed a problem out to Russ about a guy down here with a little 2x4 holding a high porch up; he states that he is done talking.

Mr. Varano states that this will all be discussed when the committee meets.

MOTION- A motion was made by Mr. Winhofer and Mr. Bozza to place the registration money received in escrow for 2014 registration and to extend registration deadline to March 1st.

ROLL CALL VOTE- BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (yes)
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The Borough Solicitor William C. Cole states that the borough met in executive session for approximately one hour and fifteen minutes to discuss possible litigation, contractual and personnel matters.

MOTION- Mr. Scicchitano made the motion and was seconded by Mr. Deitrick to increase the General Purpose tax rate to 17 mills for 2014 and advertise the 2014 tax ordinance.

ROLL CALL VOTE- BOZZA (yes), DEITRICK (yes), MOTYKA (yes), NIGLIO (yes), SCICCHITANO (yes), VARANO (yes), WINHOFER (yes)
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THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

**RHONDA WILK
BOROUGH SECRETARY**

DATE OF APPROVAL