

President Gerken called the meeting of Hanover Borough Council to order on Wednesday Evening, March 12, 2014, 6:20 PM, in the Hanover Municipal Building, 44 Frederick Street, Hanover, Pennsylvania as advertised.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, followed by a moment of silence.

On roll call the following answered as present: Mr. Eline, Mr. Funke, Mr. Gerken, Mr. Marcoccio, Mr. McLin, Mr. Morris, Mr. Reichart, Mr. Roth and Mrs. Yingling; Solicitor Yingst; Mayor Adams; Manager Krebs and Secretary Miller. Mrs. Griffin was absent.

#### **CITIZENS WITH ITEMS OF BUSINESS TO BE BROUGHT BEFORE COUNCIL**

Mr. Timothy Sietz, Primrose Lane, Hanover, PA asked Council for assurance there be no taxpayer money to fund the project or for the maintenance thereof. Manager Krebs outlined the funding of the project which consists of State & County grant monies, and \$86,000 in donations for a total of \$277,000.00. The project cost is anticipated at \$266,000.00. Councilman Eline stated he would like to have a group or organization to pledge the maintenance of an estimated \$5,000 annually. The money from the DCNR grant will not be there for other use if the project is abandoned. The money cannot be used elsewhere in the Borough because it is designated for a new nature trail.

Mrs. Jeanne Marsh, Deerfield resident, stated she can't see how the maintenance costs will be covered.

Eleanor Leib, Deerfield resident, disputed the available monies and maintenance costs for the project.

Ann Dietz, 646 Boundary Avenue questioned about bidding the project and prevailing wage costs.

Manager Krebs replied that prevailing wages would be a factor in the bidding process, if Council elects to move forward.

There being no further comments, President Gerken asked Mr. Eline to commence with the Public Service Committee business.

#### **Public Service Committee – Mr. Eline**

It was moved by Mr. Eline, seconded by Mr. Funke to authorize the proper officers of The Borough of Hanover to withdraw the approved grant contract with the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and cease all actions to move forward with the proposed Wetlands Nature Trail Project. On roll call, the following voted in favor of the motion: Mr. Eline, Mr. Funke, Mr. Gerken, Mr. Marcoccio, Mr. McLin, Mr. Morris, Mr. Reichart, Mr. Roth and Mrs. Yingling. Nine (9) members voted in favor of the motion, with zero against. Motion carried.

#### **OTHER MATTERS**

##### **Unfinished Business**

Mr. McLin asked if the motion could be amended regarding the Marcellus shale money. Manager Krebs responded it may be possible to use the Marcellus shale funds for another project, such as the Rail Trail, which will be investigated.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

President Gerken thanked all in attendance this evening.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM to a Closed Caucus session regarding legal Issues, on the motion of Mr. Funke, seconded by Mr. Reichart, which carried.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Dorothy C. Miller  
Secretary