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The Council Meeting of the Butler Mayor and Council was opened by Mayor Joseph Heywang who indicated that the meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act having been duly advertised and posted. This was followed by the Pledge to the Flag and a Moment of Reflection

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Joseph Heywang (arrived at 7:20), Councilman Stephen Regis, Councilman Robert Fox, Councilman Robert Meier (arrived at 7:45), Council President Robert Alviene, Councilman Edwin Vath and Councilwoman Judith Woop.
ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 16, 2010

Moved: Regis
All in favor.

Second: Fox

ORDINANCE 2010-2 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

Moved: Fox

Second: Vath

Voted Aye: Vath, Fox, Regis, Meier, Alviene, Woop

Voted Nay: None

Public hearing scheduled for May 18, 2010.

R2010-42 SELF EXAMINATION OF BUDGET RESOLUTION

Moved: Fox

Second: Regis

Voted Aye: Alviene, Meier, Regis, Fox, Vath

Voted Nay: Woop

R2010-42 adopted.

R2010-43 RESOLUTION INTRODUCING 2010 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Moved: Fox

Second: Vath

Voted Aye: Vath, Fox, Regis, Meier, Alviene

Voted Nay: Woop

R2010-43 adopted.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON TRANSFER OF PROPERTY ON ARCH ST.

No comments.

The next step in the transfer is written comments and then the formal action to transfer the property will take place at May Council meeting.

MEETING OF PUBLIC AND INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION

Virginia Lamanna, 8 Hillcrest Ave. presented a petition to the Governing Body asking for a No Left Turn on the corner of Hillcrest and Kiel.

The issue of Hillcrest will be further discussed at the next workshop.

Claude Dorie, 49 Van Houten Ave., asked for a Dead End sign on her street. Mr. Lampmann will take care of it.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Tax Collectors Report – March 2010 - \$227,202.88

Tax Collectors Report – Year 2009 - \$23,152,398.11

Power & Light/Water & Sewer Dept. – March 2010 - \$2,758,268.27

Councilman Vath reported on the following:

He commended the Finance Committee, the CFO and Administrator for all their hard work putting the 2010 municipal budget together.

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Councilman Fox reported on the following:

The Borough will be starting work on Myrtle and Kakeout because there was grant money awarded for those streets.

Councilman Regis reported on the following:

One fireman and two police officers suffered smoke inhalation at a recent fire.

There was a meeting at the Charlottesville Reservoir after the last storm to determine what actually happened that day.

Councilwoman Woop reported on the following:

SMAC Clinic is scheduled.

Food inspections were done.

Council President Alviene reported on the following:

The Electric Department did a great job, as usual, after the recent fierce storm.

A broken pole was repaired in Kinnelon.

Borough Administrator Jim Lampmann reported on the following:

NY Susquehanna Railroad will be doing improvements on the crossing at Decker Road.

Macopin Rd. Bridge will be repaired. That project will be coordinated with the railroad repairs.

Stillwater Bridge will be replaced. Reardon Court will be used as a temporary road to get into Von Blitz and Marion. In exchange for the temporary detour the water main will be replaced under the Stillwater Bridge by the County.

After the bridge is replaced the temporary detour will be closed completely.

Mr. Lampmann asked for a vote of the Governing Body to authorize the signature on an agreement with Morris County for the above referenced work

Moved: Fox

Second: Vath

Voted: Vath, Fox, Regis, Meier, Alviene, Woop

Voted Nay: None

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS AND PAYROLLS

R2010-39 AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS & VOUCHERS

Moved: Vath

Second: Regis

Voted Aye: Vath, Fox, Regis, Meier, Alviene, Woop

Voted Nay: None

R2010-39 adopted.

PRESENTATION OF CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS

A petition was presented earlier in the evening regarding Hillcrest Ave.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

No hearings scheduled.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

No ordinance to introduce.

ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION

ORDINANCE 2010-1A ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 234 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER AND ESTABLISHING WATER RATES

Introduced: March 6, 2010

Advertised: March 11, 2010

Public hearing conducted.

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Heidi Hull, 208 River Place asked if a mailing could be done to let the residents know about the new rates. She said she was unaware of the increase.

RESOLUTIONS

R2010-38 RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR TONNAGE GRANT

Moved: Fox Second: Woop

Voted Aye: Vath, Fox, Regis, Meier, Alviene, Woop

Voted Nay: None

R2010-38 adopted.

R2010-40 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS, OVERPAYMENTS OR CANCELLATIONS IN THE ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Moved: Alviene Second: Fox

Voted Aye: Woop, Alviene, Meier, Regis, Fox, Vath

Voted Nay: None

R2010-40 adopted.

R2010-41 RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUTLER AWARDED BIDS FOR ELECTRIC SUPPLIES

Moved: Alviene Second: Vath

Voted Aye: Vath, Fox, Regis, Meier, Alviene, Woop

Voted Nay: None

R201-41 adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION FROM PUBLIC

Raymond Verdonik, Scott St., asked Councilwoman Woop why she voted no on the introduction of the budget. She replied that tonight was the first time she saw the budget in this format.

Bob Norman, Cascade Way, asked if there is any money left to repair the roads. He was told to notify Jim Lampmann of Councilman Fox with a list of potholes he may see.

He again mentioned that there are still illegal left hand turns being made at Kiel and Route 23.

He also told the Governing Body about the garbage trucks they have in Woodbridge that pick up the cans automatically.

Diane Straskey, 104 River Place asked if Butler has a business plan. She mentioned all the vacant stores in River Place.

She was told the owner of River Place has control over the renting of his stores.

Councilman Fox said the rentals may not be affordable.

Jim Lampmann, Borough Administrator, mentioned that Clay Boney is trying to put together a theme for those rentals.

Motion to go into Executive Session for Contract Negotiations: Fox Second: Regis
All in favor.

Meeting reopened.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:30PM

Adopted: 5/18/10

Carol M. Ashley
RMC/CNC

Joseph B. Heywang