

CITY COUNCIL  
Sunbury PA 17801  
December 23 2013  
6:15 pm

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Council of the City of Sunbury was called to order with the Honorable David L. Persing, Mayor, presiding. There was a quorum with the following in attendance:

David L. Persing, Mayor  
Todd E. Snyder, Director of Accounts & Finance  
Joseph J. Bartello, III, Director of Public Safety  
Kevin Troup, Director of Public Works  
James R. Eister, Director of Parks, Recreation and Public Buildings

Other City officials in attendance:

Michael Rhoads, Zoning Officer and Fire Chief  
Terry Specht, City Clerk

There were nineteen (19) visitors present.

Mayor Persing said that as announced at the last meeting there will only be 4 agenda items discussed at this meeting. Anything else will be discussed when the new council has been sworn-in in January...

### **AUDIENCE COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Mayor Persing asked for audience comment on agenda items and there were no comments.

### **2014 TAX ANTICIPATION LOAN LINE OF CREDIT**

Councilman Snyder moved to accept the apparent low bid for the 2014 Tax Anticipation Note from Swineford National Bank. The solicitor has reviewed the bids. Second – Eister. Unanimous vote.

### **STREET SWEEPER LEASE RESOLUTION**

Councilman Troup explained that he checked around to find the best rate for leasing a new street sweeper. M & T Bank had the best rate. The amount borrowed would not exceed \$176,936.90. He moved to lease the street sweeper which is a new sweeper on the old chassis and lease it through M & T Bank and authorize the mayor to sign all documents. Councilman Bartello asked if it would have a warranty. Councilman Troup answered it will have a full warranty out of Municipal Services in Philadelphia. They will show every employee how to run and maintain it, set up a checklist for operation and maintain it as needed. Councilman Troup said they went above and beyond to be helpful with this purchase. Second – Eister. Yes – Troup, Eister, Persing, Snyder. No – Bartello. Motion carried.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> READING 2014 BUDGET/ORD 1272**

Councilman Snyder announced the projected revenue for 2014 will be \$4,322,108.16 and expense of \$4,364,062.98. A deficit of \$41,254.82 is projected. He said what council is proposing is using in lieu of carry-over to balance the budget. Councilman Bartello said and also grant money that wasn't received yet. Councilman Snyder said this allows for no tax increase. He said he agrees to no tax increase and he shared other ideas with council on how this could be done. He moved to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ord. 1272 2014 Budget with no tax increase. Second – Eister. Yes – Eister, Persing, Troup. No – Snyder, Bartello. Motion carried.

### **2<sup>ND</sup> READING 2014 TAX LEVY ORDINANCE #1273**

Councilman Snyder moved to pass the 2014 Tax Levy Ordinance with no tax increase to any of the taxes (see attached). Second – Eister. Yes – Persing, Snyder, Troup, Eister. No – Bartello. Motion carried.

### **APPROVAL TO PAY INVOICES**

Councilman Snyder made a motion to pay the invoices on the vouchers payable report totaling \$266,735.27 from the general fund and \$1,590.00 from Liquid Fuels. Second – Eister. Yes – Snyder, Troup, Eister, Persing. No – Bartello. Motion carried.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Letters of Intent are being accepted for the vacant city council position.

Council's reorganization meeting will be held January 6, 2014 at 6:15 pm to issue the oath of office, reorganize council departments and pass the Tax Anticipation Resolution.

Mayor Persing thanked everyone for attending and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Specht  
City Clerk