

CITY COUNCIL  
Sunbury PA 17801  
January 26, 2009  
6:15 pm

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

Jesse C. Woodring, Mayor  
John K. Shipman, Director of Accounts and Finance  
Kevin E. Troup, Director of Public Works  
James R. Eister, Director of Parks/Recreation and Public Buildings

Other City officials in attendance:

Michael Apfelbaum, City Solicitor  
Stephen Mazzeo, Chief of Police  
Michael Rhoads, Property Maintenance Officer  
Terry Specht, City Clerk

There were ten (10) visitors present.

An executive session was held prior to this meeting to discuss personnel matters.

### **2009 LIQUID FUEL BUDGET**

Councilman Troup moved to pass the 2009 Liquid Fuel Budget. The City will be receiving approximately \$208,055.78 from the state which is based on the population, miles of roadways and the purchase of gasoline. There is also \$125,000 in a CD for street paving in 2009. Paving costs should be lower in 2009 than in 2008. Second Eister. Unanimous vote.

### **RESOLUTION/TRANSFER LIQUOR LICENSE**

Mr. Frank Garrigan is requesting that the City pass a Resolution allowing a liquor license to be transferred to Sunbury from Shamokin. The license is for Original Italian Pizza on Market St. Councilman Eister asked if all the setbacks were met in regard to churches. Solicitor Apfelbaum stated that the PLCB will not consider transferring the license unless the City first passes a Resolution. Mr. Bua said the liquor license will be for a banquet facility he will be remodeling where the OIP now sits. Councilman Troup moved to pass the Resolution allowing the liquor license to be transferred from Shamokin to Sunbury. Second Eister. Vote, Yes- Woodring, Troup, Eister. No-Shipman. Motion carried.

### **FY2009 HOME PROGRAM FUNDS RESOLUTION**

Councilman Shipman moved to pass a Resolution to instruct SEDA-COG to apply for a renewal for the HOME Loan Program to allow the City to continue with the home-owner occupied rehabilitation program in the amount of \$500,000. There are currently 33 units being rehabbed through this program and 17 home owners on a waiting list. Second Eister. Unanimous vote.

### **HARB APPROVAL/216 MARKET ST**

Councilman Eister moved to approve the request for 216 Market St to construct a canopy on that property. HARB previously approved the canopy. Second Troup. Vote, Yes- Shipman, Troup, Eister. Abstain- Woodring. Motion carried.

### **RENEW CONTRACT FOR WEBSITE WITH SEDA-COG**

SEDA-COG developed the City's website several years ago and has maintained it annually for a fee of \$1,500. Mayor Woodring moved to renew the contract for 2009 in the amount of \$1,500. Second Eister. Unanimous vote.

### **JANUARY EXPENDITURES**

Councilman Shipman moved to pay the January expenditures in the amount of \$210,768.70. Second Eister. Unanimous vote.

## **AUDIENCE COMMENT**

Mr. John Campbell asked council to consider closing the alley between his Gym Starz building at 613-621 Market St. and the American Legion building at 609 Market St. At some point, someone threw a soda can into his rain spout which caused the roof to leak into the building. There has been a lot of graffiti on the building also. He would give a key to a locked gate to the American Legion and the fire department. He will have the fence installed at his expense. Councilman Troup asked Mr. Rhoads of the Code Office to contact the fire department and the American Legion to see if they have any objections. A car would barely fit down the alley and the City does not maintain it. Mr. Rhoads will report at the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Specht  
City Clerk