

ALDAN BOROUGH, DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

February 11, 2015

The Borough Council met in an Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. and in a regular session at 8:00 p.m. at the William Reinl Recreation Building on the above date with President Short presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and led by President Short.

ROLL CALL

Council members present: H. Short; P. Rankin; S. Coppola;
M. Xavier; M. J. Corrigan

Council members absent: S. Oropollo

Officers present: G. Sefflin, Solicitor; J. Hopely, Mayor
J. Perks, Asst. Borough Secretary; T. Quinn, Treasurer;
J. White, Borough Manager

Officers absent: None

MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilman Coppola seconded by Councilman Xavier the minutes from the January 14, 2015 Council Meeting be accepted as presented and unanimously approved.

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

None

VERBAL CORRESPONDENCE

None

The meeting was interrupted in order for President Short to read the Proclamation honoring Ginger Kaut, former Borough Secretary, for her service to the citizenry of Aldan. President Short and Mayor Hopely presented Mrs. Kaut with the framed Proclamation and a gift by local artist William Ressler in recognition for her years of service to the Borough of Aldan.

Mrs. Kaut thanked Council, Mayor, Officers, family and friends for all their support.

MAYOR REPORT

Nothing to report.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS**TREASURER**

Terry Quinn read the Treasurer's Report:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>State Highway Fund</u>	<u>Sewer Fund</u>
Balance of cash on hand	\$ 266,323.52	\$ 35,523.56	\$200,740.18
Interest	\$	\$.63	\$
Receipts for period	\$ 51,546.00	\$	\$ 9,649.20
Expenditures Last Month	\$	\$	\$
Expenditures This Month	\$	\$	\$
Net Expenditures	\$ (133,834.14)	\$ (6,568.37)	\$(159,250.51)
Loan from Reserve	\$	\$	\$ 130,000.00
Ending Balance	\$ 184,035.38	\$ 28,955.82	\$ 51,138.87

Terry asked for Councils approval to release checks from the following funds; from the general fund checks totaling \$150,184.04, from the state highway fund totaling \$6,565.17, and from the sewer fund totaling \$2,809.50.

Councilman Xavier made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented and to pay the bills, seconded by Councilman Coppola and unanimously approved.

SOLICITOR

Mr. Sefflin reported that we are continuing to make headway in the 2012 delinquencies program having received over the last month payments from 60 S. Clifton Avenue in the amount of \$1,718.24 and from 124 Springfield Road in the amount of \$1,315 as well as proceeding with two additional outstanding 2012 delinquencies. Mr. Sefflin reported that the complaints for 2013 are 90 percent completed and he should have copies of those by March caucus. Many of those 2013 delinquencies are institutional owners and he is hoping to resolve those without going through the cost and expense of going into lawsuits to enforce the liens that are already on the property.

ENGINEER

Mr. Close reported, relative to our 2014 CDBG project, as directed at last month's council meeting we have rebid the project with the first ad posted in the Daily Times on February 5th and again on February 9th. The bids will be due at borough on March 4th and will be opened that evening at caucus. So, with the rebidding we are hoping to get more bids and would like to get those numbers under the \$100,000 grant amount. Secondly, relative to our 2014 PADEP Chapter 94 Sewage Planning report, an annual report that we are required to give, will be submitted later this week to DELCORA and in turn DELCORA is required to submit the master Chapter 94 report by late March to DEP. All member municipalities and authorities are required to prepare this report which analyzes current and 5 year sewage flow projections versus our collection system capacity as well as INI rehab projects performed during the year and what we propose to do in the upcoming years. That report has been finalized and will go out this week.

The meeting agenda was again interrupted where President Short explained due to the resignation of Councilman White there left an opening on Borough Council. Councilman Xavier presented Resolution 2015-04 and made motion to adopt Resolution 2015-04 appointing Carmen Maniaci to Borough Council, seconded by Councilman Coppola and unanimously approved.

Mr. Maniaci, witnessed by this family, was sworn in by Mayor Hopely.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

PUBLIC HEALTH

Councilwoman Corrigan reported our Solid Waste totals. December trash 172.22 tons; December recycling 45.92 tons; January trash 131.30 tons; January recycling 26.27 tons.

Councilwoman Corrigan announced on May 6th bulk trash will be collected on the East side of Aldan and on May 20th the West side of Aldan will be collected.

Dan Procopio asked if there is going to be another Drug Take Back collection. Councilwoman Corrigan was not aware of another scheduled event at this time.

HIGHWAY

Borough Manager, John White reported as of today we have spent \$19,760 this winter season. This includes ten winter events which consist of plowing twice and salting ten times. So far we have used 160 tons of road salt which is much cheaper than plowing, so we have been very lucky.

The borough received a call from a resident about a manhole ring on the side of the road in the 100 block of Aldan Avenue. A to U Services was called out to saw cut around the casting, set a new rim and concrete in place. Temporary asphalt was restored and final restoration will be when weather permits.

PUBLIC WORKS

In Councilman Oropollo's absence Mr. White reported that A to U Services were in town in late January to vacuum out three storm inlets on Albert & Magnolia Avenues and two inlets at Providence Road & Woodlawn Avenue. This will prevent clogging in the near future with impending storms. Cost for the clean and vacuum was \$1000.

Dan Procopio questioned why the barrier was down on the connecting roadway between Bonsall & Shisler Avenues. Mr. White explained it was necessary due to Shisler Avenue being blocked by a contractor working on residential sewer lateral and the residents on Shisler not being able to get onto the street.

FINANCE

Nothing to report.

Dan Procopio asked Councilwoman Rankin for the reserve fund totals; the reported totals are, in the general reserve \$205,203.93, in the sewer capital reserve \$470,335.87, and in the police capital reserve \$1,000.56.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilman Xavier made the Fire Marshalls report. During the month of January, 2015 Collingdale Fire Companies 1 & 2 responded to 5 calls in the borough of Aldan all resulting in no damage and the Collingdale Ambulance and Paramedics responded to 30 calls in the borough.

LAW, ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilman Coppola reported for the month of January there was 5 plumbing permit with a construction value of \$9,552. The Building Inspector issued 22 building permits with a construction value of \$60,515, and there were 14 Transfer and Mid Term inspections during the month of January.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

President Short reported Caucus will be Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. at the Municipal Building. Council will meet Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at 7:30 PM for Executive Session and General Meeting starting at 8:00 PM at the William Reiml Recreation Building.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Dan Procopio wanted to verify that Mr. White has notified the County Election Bureau as to the council vacancy so it can stand for a two year term. Mr. White confirmed that he did speak to the County Election Bureau.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by President Short and seconded by Councilwoman Rankin unanimously, approved, the regular meeting of the Borough Council was adjourned at 8:26 P.M.

ATTEST

Jennifer Perks
Asst. Borough Secretary