

ALDAN BOROUGH, DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

August 12, 2009

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 Reindl Recreation Center 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. Brookes; M. Xavier; S. Coppola
T. Owen; R. Baker; J. Cosgrove

Council members absent: None

Officers present: J. Hopely, Mayor; T. Quinn, Treasurer
G. Kaut, Secretary; G. Sefflin, Solicitor

Officers absent: None

President Short would like to take a few minutes before we start the regular agenda and allow him to address some interest that people are here for tonight and that would be the Aldan Swim Club.

President Short wanted to provide a little bit of background on Borough Council's efforts to work with the Board of Directors of the swim club to achieve stability and success for both the Borough and the swim club. In 2007, Mayor Hopely and Borough Council worked with State Representative Nick Micozzie to obtain a grant in the amount of \$40,000 for swim club operations. We indicated to Rep. Micozzie that this was our highest priority for grant funding and, thankfully, we were successful with the swim club in obtaining that grant. At the time, the swim club Board of Directors indicated that this would carry the swim club through operational deficits for the next three years.

Earlier this year, Borough Council began discussions with the Board of directors about the possible acquisition of the swim club property. If possible, this acquisition may have a beneficial effect for both the Borough and the swim club. For the swim club, it would no longer be under the threat of foreclosure and may have cost savings on real estate taxes. For the Borough, such an acquisition would be a valuable addition to the open space and recreational areas of the Borough and allow the Borough to control the property should the swim club not be successful.

Over the past couple of months, the Borough has conducted its due diligence regarding the property, including consulting with real estate appraisers and requesting and recently receiving financial information on the operations of the swim club.

In addition, we have been investigating potential funding sources for any potential acquisition. We again recently met with members of the swim club's Board of directors to review the status. We will continue to carefully and prudently explore the potential for this acquisition. We all want the swim club to be "saved". However, the hallmark of this Borough Council has been the excellent stewardship of our Borough's money; it is only because of our careful handling of the Borough's finances that we are even in a position to consider this acquisition. We will only succeed with this acquisition if, and only if, it makes sense not only for the members of the Aldan Swim Club but, more importantly, all of the Borough's taxpayers.

All of this being said, there is an urgent situation that must be addressed. The swim club is delinquent on certain of its 2007 taxes and was scheduled for tax sale in the middle of September. Borough Council and its representatives, working in conjunction with the attorney for the swim club, made a request to the tax claim bureau to take the swim club property out of the September Upset Tax Sale. We are pleased to report that through these efforts, the property has been removed and will not be exposed to tax sale in September.

We will continue to work with the Board of Directors of the swim club to achieve an excellent result for the Borough and the swim club. We do now, and always have, viewed the swim club as an important civic organization. If our efforts are successful, we hope an atmosphere is created where the Board of Directors can work to stabilize the swim club and once again have a thriving organization. We will continue to keep you advised.

President Short also informed everyone that the Mayor and Council did meet tonight before the open meeting and decided to move into the next phase of negotiations with the Board of Directors for the Swim Club and try to move forward with purchasing the property.

MINUTES

On a motion made by P. Brookes seconded by S. Coppola the minutes from the July 8, 2009, Council Meeting be accepted as presented and unanimously approved.

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

No written correspondence tonight.

VERBAL CORRESPONDENCE

There was no verbal correspondence tonight.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

MAYOR

Mayor Hopely wanted to reinforce that our police do more than just give out tickets and pull people over. We have two letters and they are both thank you letters. One concerns Officer Steven Ziviello. While checking houses he noticed the door was ajar with the delivery of a package. The door opened and set off the house alarm and Officer Ziviello went to investigate. When the owner arrived home, a neighbor informed her police had been at her home. Officer Ziviello had left his card with an explanation written on the back. He assured her by his note that he checked the home and everything seemed OK and the box (parcel) left between my front door and storm door possible was the reason the alarm activated. This happened some time ago and a friend suggested that I should have thanked the officer and let his superiors know that he did a good job. Officer Steven Ziviello, Thank You so much and hopefully your remember. I don't remember the date; I just remember it was late winter, because I had shoveled my driveway that morning and then hurriedly left home trying to get to work. Since then I have checked and rechecked and then checked again to be sure I have locked my door.

Another note Mayor Hopely received also a thank you for inspecting the property when away because it was comforting knowing the police were checking the house. Thank you it is much appreciated. Mayor Hopely commented I think you will all agree that our police force does a wonderful job and they are very polite and courteous.

Mayor Hopely also reported the police are very actively participating in getting ready for Founders/Safety Day celebration on Saturday, September 19.

MaryJo Corrigan 19 Ridley Avenue commented the Police have been more actively patrolling the alleys. We have our own business and it is comforting to know the police are patrolling in the alley where we have garages in the back. This is very nice Thank you.

TREASURER

Terry Quinn read the Treasurer's Report:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>State Highway Fund</u>
Balance of cash on hand	\$1,094,245.40	\$ 42,691.23
Receipts for period	53,287.14	8.01
Expenditures Prior Month	120,512.17	7,241.92
Balance	\$1,027,020.37	\$ 35,457.32

Terry Quinn asked Council's approval this evening for checks from the General Fund totaling \$192,646.58 and from the State Highway Fund \$14,483.84. M. Xavier made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented and authorize her to release the checks as indicated on the bills list, seconded by R. Baker and unanimously approved.

SOLICITOR

Mr. Seflin reported we did file 8 law suits against Tax Delinquents and after we filed liens against them we received little or no response. The 8 law suits which were filed and are awaiting service of process are; 116 South Sycamore; 16 South Linden; 36 Stratford Avenue; 108 W. Maryland Avenue; 128 Albert Avenue; 120 West Providence Road; 119 South Woodlawn Avenue; 58 South Sycamore Avenue. Four of these are habitual delinquents; 2 or 3 we have had some contact with since the liens were filed but unfortunately none of them has paid the liens and none have entered into a settlement agreement with the Borough. We do have three other properties where delinquents have entered into payment plans with the Borough and all will be over by the end of October. Mr. Seflin also wanted to up date Council, one party that was delinquent but has made the payment. The 2008 Delinquent Program is in full swing and is going well. We started with 19 and we are down to 8 at this time. Mr. Seflin would hope and expect that a few of them, prior to them actually going to court once they receive Service of Process, will contact the Borough Municipal Building or Mr. Seflin to arrange for payment. We are making significant progress in this area.

ENGINEER

Mr. Close had nothing specific to report tonight we are rapping up on the 2009 Road Resurfacing Program; working on the Borough LED sign; the 100 year Flood Plain Ordinance up date; Lobbs Run Interceptor CDBG Project and DELCORA metering. Mr. Close will defer any discussion on these reports till the respective committee reports.

Mike Ceci asked if there was any progress made on the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program. Mr. Coppola answered we looked at that grant and after discussion with Council, because we are in pursuit of some other grant money, particularly the PA H2O Grant, and we spent considerable amount of money on the engineering for that grant. Unfortunately that money from the PA H2O Grant was not sent our way. At this point we decided not to pursuit the Energy Grant Money, the pool of money is not that big and the requests for that money will be substantial, we did not want to spend any more money on engineering fees and preparation asking for the money. Mr. Ceci asked how much it cost generally to do a grant. It depends on the extent of it; the H2O Grant was about \$6,000.00. Mr. Close commented with the Energy Grant there was a lot more strings attached. First you had to have a project and then you had to advance the design and bring in an energy specialist and prove you hit certain mile stones and meet certain energy saving criteria. It was not just filling out blanks on a few page applications. You had to hire a specialist, you had to identify you project; you had to do energy calculations, what you are using now, what sort of savings projected over a course of time. It was not just submitting the project on paper, you had to have it designed and getting it pretty close to shovel ready. You would invest a lot more than \$6,000.00 for this specific grant. There are also a lot of other criteria. You had to show you were going to create and sustain jobs and we could not justify applying for this grant. The expectation was they would give you \$250,000.00 and that would be the end of it they wanted you to put something into it also. You had to match some of the money toward the project for the construction costs in addition to you investment in the engineering and planning.

Then there was work afterward once the project is done, there was monitoring and reporting that would have to happen after the project to show what you said was going to happen did in fact happen, relative to energy saving. There was a lot to this application, way more than the Borough felt comfortable and did not have a project they felt they could throw all this energy and effort at. President Short said the cost of what we would receive from the grant and what it would cost the Borough to achieve that grant would be quite expensive. Mike Ceci commented this would have been a bit of a risk but some municipalities went there. Is the difference between these municipalities and a Borough like Aldan is because we don't have shovel ready stuff? Mike said clearly you have done a lot more research but it sounded like the whole idea would be saving money not just getting a quarter of a million dollars but saving money and energy saving over the course of forever. President Short said it would not be a savings if you had to hire people. They talk about creating jobs after the initial construction job. We don't have other than our Police Officers, full time positions created. We would have to create these positions and it would be an ongoing cost. Councilmen Coppola commented we are spending money on engineering fees and preparation fees getting ready for the Lobbs Run Project and spending money on that application was not cost effective at this point. We have received CDGB grant money for use on Lobbs Run. It makes better sense to pursue that project and we have already started the process. President Short said we are real disappointed with the state the way they led us to believe if not the full amount at least a portion that would come to us with the H2O grant. When you look at the surrounding communities and what they got and what our project was because it would help multiple communities, created a better environment, it had all the earmarks of a perfect grant but somehow the Governor or his people did not feel it was justified. It makes you gun shy of when and where to pick for grant money.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

PUBLIC HEALTH

Councilwoman Owen reported swimming pool inspections were completed in the Borough and all had a satisfactory review.

Councilwoman Owen reported on Mosquito surveillance for West Nile Virus especially after the amount of rainfall we had this spring and properties with pools and areas with standing water. Mrs. Owen reported in March the State Department of Environmental Protection met with health officers and Borough Managers to discuss the blue print for mosquito control this summer. They decided there would be no aerial surveillance, spraying or mass spraying in any of the Boroughs in the state this year. There would be spraying but limited to the areas that had high volume of light traps testing positive. They would send out a news release to those Boroughs within 48 hours of spraying. This was very little time for Boroughs to act on if they so desired. Aldan's Board of Health met and decided to respond to the news releases when we got them. We put up signs and posters in the Borough in the areas that were going to be sprayed for our residents to know that was coming and take precautions as identified on the posters. Recently Eden Cemetery in Collingdale has had positive testing for their light traps and the Borough was notified on July 17th that spraying would be done on July 21st. This is more than 48 hours later however July 17th was a Friday and the Borough was notified at 3 PM. We did move quickly got the posters together and put them out over the weekend.

This was a large area from Springfield Road over to Clifton Avenue and Walnut Avenue to Linden Avenue. A second spraying was done on August 5th for Springfield Road to Woodlawn Avenue along Rively Avenue. Since this was a smaller area we took the news release and put in every residents door in the area to be sprayed. Mrs. Owen talked to the Department of Environmental Protection representative of this area this week and there is no anticipated spraying in the up coming 4 or 5 days. They have not tested the light traps in Eden Cemetery since the August 5th spraying but they will do so and depending on the results they will determine if an additional spraying is necessary. Terry wanted to thank Joe Cosgrove for being a big help going around putting the signs in the ground and on poles in the Borough. Some resident asked immediately what we were doing and we assured them it was not a yard sale or flea market signs but was serious business and wanted the news to get out to the residents.

President Short commented that shortly after they did the spraying and noticed the signs Councilwoman Owen and Councilmen Cosgrove put up the Department of Environmental Protection called up and wanted to know who the person was that put the signs up. The reason for in inquiry was they wanted to congratulate Terry for the pro active approach notifying the residents. They commented in the 2 years of spraying no other Borough who ever took this approach. Council wants to thank Councilwoman Owen and Councilmen Cosgrove for their pro active approach and congratulations on the comments from DEP and being recognized by the state.

HIGHWAY

Councilmen Cosgrove reported on the Road Resurfacing Project 2009 which was completed as of last week. The project included Woodlawn Avenue from Providence Road to Rively Avenue, 5 intersections and 6 pot holes and 1 sink hole in town. Councilmen Cosgrove would like to give his personal and public thanks to Kelly/Close Engineers and specifically our Borough Engineer PJ Close and Terry Gallagher who was out there everyday during the work and followed up and made sure a punch list was created and there were no issues. We did not hear any complaints from anyone and they did a very fine job. Thank you very much.

Mr. Cosgrove also reported on the SEPTA portion of the Federal Stimulus Program. Septa has received \$191 million dollars as part of the \$8.4 billion Federal Transit Infrastructure Program. Specifically for our area of the 26 shovel ready projects SEPTA is involved with 6 and associated with the Media/Sharon Hill line. Specifically they will be replacing bolted rail with continuous welded rails; repair and painting of overhead steel structures; grade crossing signal work; installation of fiber optic cables; bush cutting work and station up grades. This work will result in 2 outages to our lines in town. Number one outage will be the Sharon Hill Line route 102, Drexel Hill Junction to Sharon Hill will be out of service for 14 weeks starting September 8, 2009. Outage #2 will be the entire Media Sharon Hill Line, Routes 101 and 102 for 11 weeks starting June 14, 2010. Bus substitution will be made during those times. There is information on 2 sections not mentioned because the lines do not run in Aldan. If anyone is interested in that information go to www.septa.org.

Mr. Cosgrove wanted to mention our web site and the statistics after the first four months and they are encouraging, the average is about 375 a month and that number is growing. Our web host was surprised at the traffic for a new site.

We still encourage people to use it and think of it as a starting point. We would like to have people's involvement with suggestions for up dates, etc. So to speak we are open for business. President Short commented we even had some International hits. Mr. Cosgrove said yes from Poland, Great Britain, Romania, Germany and more. We don't know why but we did get the hits.

Dan Procopio asked if one of the sink holes that were fixed was on North Sycamore Avenue. Mr. Cosgrove responded no that is a lateral situation. The sink hole talked about was in front of 316 Birchwood Road where we did dig down, identified there were no leaks, had it refilled and resurfaced. Dan also noticed other properties in town with cone situations. Mr. Cosgrove responded that the Code Enforcement Official did give notices to the property owners and these are lateral problems which are the responsibility of the home owner. Dan asked if there is a time limit and are they responsible for the street repair. President Short said if they have to go out into the street they are responsible for the road but most of them are between the curb line and the sidewalk. There is no set time limit that we give each owner; each owner handles it as an individual case. There were several on Albert Avenue where we met with the owner to explain the situation.

John McBlain commented on the SEPTA work that will take place on the 102 line and you mentioned the painting of overhead structures. On Woodlawn Avenue we have a unique situation where we have steel structures that hold up the Trolley lines. When that was originally done we specified to SEPTA it had to be the brown color, to match in with the trees, and eventually when it does rust it doesn't show through. Maybe you can talk with SEPTA that they don't come along and paint it light blue or light green but keep it the brown color. Mr. Cosgrove said he will talk with SEPTA.

PUBLIC WORKS

Councilmen Coppola reported the Borough sent a letter making a request to Darby Creek Joint Authority to make adjustment to our 2008 and 2009 billing. Our request was made and we are asking for an adjustment to our 3rd quarter billing for the 2008 billing, this would be a credit of \$41,000.00 and for 2009 we are asking for \$172,000.00 credit to our billing. For those who are unaware we received a substantial increase in our sewer bill. Our metered flow was incredibly high and Darby Creek Joint Authority is in the process of billing us for the metered flow, which has been installed in the street, rather than EDU, dwelling unit billing, we used to pay a flat rate per household for sewage and now they are billing us for an actual metered flow of sewer usage. We found through Kelly/Close some faults in the metering. It was a meter flow that was being counted twice. We have been working with Darby Creek to make the adjustments and that is why we made the request. We hope to receive back a total of \$213,000.00 back in our billing. President Short said this will be billing we don't pay as opposed to receiving. We will be receiving credit back for our current billing. It is strange negotiations, instead of Darby Creek negotiating on what the amount should be they just asked us send what we think the bill should be and they will negotiate with us at the end of the year. Councilmen Coppola said Kelly/Close worked on providing the figures to make an assessment and determine what we thought the metered flow should be. Mr. Close came up with the numbers and that was the request that was made and the number may go up or down and we may get more money back. This will have a greater impact each year since a portion of the meter billing will increase each year. In 2009 we are being billed for 40% of the metered flow. This was a five year process, 2008 was 20%; 2009 was 40%; 2010 will be 60%; and 2011 will be 80%; and 2012 will be billed as 100% of the metered flow.

President Short said this was a great job under the direction of Councilmen Coppola; Kelly/ Close Engineers did a fantastic job to find these infiltrations into our systems, a water main break, where we had more water pumping into our sanitary line. The Engineers went around piece by piece of the Borough's sanitary line along the perimeter of the Borough and found lines coming in from other Townships, in one area the line left through one meter returned into town and went through another meter so we were getting charge twice for one section. Again Kelly/Close did a fantastic job and saved the residents a lot of money.

Mike Ceci asked if they just started the metering this year. President Short said no last year was the start. President Short also said it started out 80% EDU's and 20% metering and each year over the next four years it will increase another 20% metering and decrease 20% in the EDU's. Mr. Ceci asked after five years are we going to be paying less per person than we were before this metering started. President Short explained, you can't tell they will increase the per gallon charge each year as they see fit. If all things stayed the same we would probably pay less. Mr. Close commented that part of the incentive when we talk about the I & I program and the work on the Lobbs Run Interceptor, which is our main artery that leaks, so every dollar we spend taking leaks out of the system we save money at the end on our metering. So the more we reduce the I & I the lower our sewer bills will be because it will be 100% metered based system. The incentive to go after the I & I and invest some money on the infrastructure that we have what we can to reduce the clean water that gets in and spins the meter which adds dollars to our bill. Mike Ceci asked why we wouldn't want to transition now rather than in five years is it because we have all this leakage. Mr. Close explained it is not an option the meters were installed in 2007. They had to get them up and running and calibrated so 2008 was the first year. They did a five year phase in because of things like we found in Aldan and it give the system time to work itself out. This was good thinking on DELCORA's part it gives some time if corrections need to be made. We are in year two in 2009 and by 2012 we will be 100% for all Municipalities. Mike Ceci commented it sounds like a lot of Boroughs went through what Aldan went through. Mr. Close said unfortunately Aldan had the worst problems especially with the recycling meter some other Borough flows that we were not aware of that were going through our meter that we were being billed for so because our meter was so out of whack with what we use to pay we realized there was a problem. We went out and did a lot of nighttime monitoring, dye testing to find out what the problem was. Fortunately we were able to find the problem. Dan Procopio asked if the metering has been corrected. Mr. Close responded yes it has been corrected. Dan also asked when the decision will be made by Darby Creek Joint Authority about the dollar amount. Mr. Close responded it is done. We had a bill for the second quarter; we made the adjustment based on estimation, so we reduced the payment back to them. The reconciliation happens at the end of the year once all the meter flow from each day comes in. It's estimation because we don't know what the metering will be tomorrow or the next day or the next day all the way to the end of 2009. It also depends on if it is rainy or dry period so there will be reconciliation at the end of the year and a minor adjustment based on our estimation of what we deducted vs. what the actual meter flows are. They have acknowledged the problem, they are 100% on board with it, they have taken our estimation for the payments and then a minor reconciliation at the end of the year after all the meter flows is calibrated.

Dan Procopio asked about the Lobbs Run Interceptor and we received CDBG money and were hoping for the PA H2O Grant, which we did not get, so what would be the next step with that project because the CDBG money does not cover the cost of the repair. Councilmen Coppola responded there may be additional grant money available at a later date we can resubmit for H2O money next year.

Because that money might become available again we are discussing using some of the grant money we already received and break this project up into stages. Rather than pursue it and pay for the whole project ourselves. Taking some of the grant money we already received and some of our own funds and make a 1/4 or 1/3 repair and pursue it that way so that if money does become available late through the PA H2O program we would still have additional work to do that we could use that money for. Dan asked if we have determined what section we would be working on. Mr. Coppola's response was this has not been determined. Dan also asked if the CDBG money has to be used by a specific date. P J answered; there is a time frame on it and it can be a couple of years but as long as you are keeping the County informed of your progress. We did let the County know we were going after the H2O money because the \$275,000.00 would not cover the full replacement of the Interceptor and they were all for that to wait to see what the decision is. We did not get the H2O money this round maybe we hope it will be next years round. The County does want to see an action plan they don't want it to sit there forever because it carries over on their books and they have to use the money as well. The more money they hold onto can affect the overall amount that goes into their kitty. So they can't just not use the money. We talked to the County and we are talking about a phase approach, which they would be OK with, so they would like something from us in the next few months on a decision what our direction is. As long as we use the money by 2010. Dan also asked when the PA H2O grants were handed out. Steve Coppola said he printed out a paper today that was dated 7-15-09.

Charlie Duffy commented it was commendable that Kelly/Close Engineers found the sewer flow that was illegally coming in from Upper Darby and Darby Township and are those two Municipalities taking steps to divert that away from Aldan. Mr. Close explained that were not illegal flows no one knew they were coming through our Borough. They were fringe homes and apartments and all the Boroughs and Municipalities sewer maps had them going one way but we found out through investigation that they were going another way, through our Borough and through our meter. Now that they are properly accounted for each township is paying for their own flows and we are just paying for ours. There were 43 coming from Upper Darby and 110 coming from Darby Township that we found. Now in their meter formula for their borough DELCORA is adding those 110 and 43 onto theirs to make sure their billing is correct and taken back away from ours.

PUBLIC SAFETY/ HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Councilwoman Brookes reported the Historical Commission will meet next week on Wednesday, August 19 and the focus of our meeting will be on Founders Day to be held on September 19, 2009. We will be having a Flea Market as well as crafts and our annual cake contest. We will also be working with the Police Department for the Safety Day; the 4th of July Committee is sponsoring the Lukens Band; the Boy Scouts will be having a Car Show over at Providence Park. There will be a lot going on so residents please come out and have a nice day with the rest of the community.

Mrs. Brookes read the Fire Marshal's report for July, 2009. During the month of July 2009, Collingdale Ambulance/Paramedics responded to 36 Calls in the Borough of Aldan. Collingdale Fire Companies #1 and #2 responded to 6 calls during the month of July. The call on July 26th at 64 South Clifton Avenue and the cause of this fire was a cable contractor installing service to the house and accidentally struck the electrical service line to the house.

On July 3 at 9:55 PM was a Haz Mat incident at the Giant Food Store. A cleaning crew was doing work at a neighboring store and was using a chemical to clean the floors. Some of the chemical used, dried to the floor drains, causing the release of noxious fumes to leak into the Giant Store. A “disaster ambulance alarm” was sounding and numerous EMS units from around the county responded. A total of 11 people were transported to local hospitals for non-life threatening treatment and 3 people were treated at the scene. The county Haz Mat team did respond they did clear the building of all the chemical/odor in order for it to open safely. The Giant Store did reopen the following morning. All EMS and Fire units that responded did an excellent job evacuating the building and treating the sick.

John McBlain wanted to thank our Police and Fire and EMS for coming out that night especially since it was July 3rd and all of the Hot Dogs and Soda for the Boosters for July 4th were in the Giant that night. We were most pleased that Giant was opened and cleared so we could get our food for the 4th of July. President Short recognized John Miller from Collingdale Fire Company who was at the meeting tonight and we want to thank him very much.

ADMINISTRATIVE and BUILDINGS

Councilmen Baker reported last month we did some electrical work at the Recreation Building we improved the exit lights, installed some new wiring, and brought some of the electric up to date and we will be installing a new pole out back which brings the electricity into the building.

Dan Procopio asked if there is a scheduled date for the pole to be installed. Mr. Baker responded this week or next week.

FINANCE

Councilmen Xavier reported the Department of the Auditor General did an audit of the Aldan Borough Police Pension Plan for the period of January 1, 2006 thru December 31, 2008 and we are happy to say his findings and observations were there were no finding or observations the only thing mentioned was the 2008 State Aid was deposited late. We researched it and found the Check came in on September 29, 2008 and Terry deposited it on October 3, 2008. One other comment was the Auditor Discussed the policy concerning the non-service-related disability provision that there is no money paid from the Police Pension Fund but paid from the General Fund where we pay it and the insurance pays us back. All else was good with the audit.

Councilmen Xavier announced the Financial Requirement and Minimum Municipal Obligation Budget for 2010, this is the amount of money the Borough is required to put in through Act 205. We deposit money into the Police Pension Fund each year. This year the Minimum Municipal Obligation is \$143,377.00. The state gives us some money back towards that and lately it has been around \$30,000.00. Last year our MMO was \$141,405.00 the state aid came in and reduced that \$30,885.22 so we do get some help. Comparing the last three years where 3 years ago the MMO was \$150,000.00 in 2009 it was \$141,405.00; and in 2010 it will be \$143,377.00 and with the state of the stock market over the last year and we also switched over to a new company, I n R, to manage that for us and they are doing a wonderful job.

The loss could have been greater and we could have been spending more money. All in all we are doing pretty well.

Dan Procopio asked when the 2010 MMO is paid. Mrs. Quinn, the treasurer, responded it will be paid in November 2010.

LAW, ORDINANCE & BUILDING

President Short reported during the month of July, 2009 there were 36 transfer and mid-term inspections performed by our Residential Inspector; there were a total of 43 Building Permits issued with a construction value of \$140,833.00; there were 2 plumbing permits with a construction value of \$3,108.00.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There is no unfinished business this month.

NEW BUSINESS

President Short announced that Caucus will be Wednesday, September 2, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building; and Council will meet on Wednesday, September 9, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in an executive session and regular session at 8:00 p.m. at the William Reintl Recreation Center.

PRIVELIGE OF THE FLOOR

None

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by T. Owen seconded by R. Baker and approved unanimously, the regular meeting of the Borough Council was adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

ATTEST

MARIE V. KAUT
Borough Secretary