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**ALDAN BOROUGH, DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

May 11, 2016

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.

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**ROLL CALL**

Council members present: H. Short; S. Oropollo; P. Rankin;  
S. Durso; S. Urban; M. Corrigan; C. Maniaci

Council members absent:

Officers present: J. Perks, Asst. Borough Secretary; P. Close, Engineer;  
J. Hopely, Mayor; J. McBlain, Solicitor; J. White,  
Borough Manager

Officers absent:

**MINUTES**

On a motion made by Councilman Maniaci seconded by Councilman Durso the minutes from the April, 2016 Council Meeting be accepted as presented and unanimously approved.

**WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**VERBAL CORRESPONDENCE**

Lee Murray, 245 Hazelwood Avenue presented council with a petition signed by residents on Hazelwood Road to ask council to install stop signs on Cedar Ave, a small section of roadway between Maryland Avenue and Hazelwood Road. Residents are concerned for the safety of the children on the street due to cars speeding through Cedar Avenue as a cut through road. Mr. Murray asked for “children at play” signs to be installed on Hazelwood Road as well. Mr. Short responded that the “children at play” sign would not be a problem. The Chief of Police will meet with Mr. Murray on location Thursday to go over the possibility of a stop sign.

On behalf of the citizens of Aldan Council honored and presented the Citizenship Award to Michael Anthony. Recently, Mr. Anthony was presented with the 2016 Making Difference Award by the Delaware County Right to Education Local Task Force, which was well deserved.

Michael’s official role at Aldan Elementary is Head Custodian, but in reality he is much more. He can be seen most mornings directing traffic, directing the students, reminding the students where they have to be and occasionally reminding the students that they need their coats, should be a lunch or to behave.

Michael makes sure everything is in tip, top shape at the Aldan Elementary School. We can all be very proud that Michael and his staff make sure that our school building is safe, clean and one where students can learn. He succeeds in his duties without fail. Aldan Elementary School is the host for many borough events and organizations. Michael is always ready, willing and able to help with whatever is needed to make each and every event a success. Michael is the best ambassador the William Penn School District could have. We truly appreciate what he does for the students and citizens of Aldan. Michael, on behalf of all the residents we thank you.

**MAYOR REPORT**

Nothing to report.

**BOROUGH MANAGER**

Nothing to report.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**TREASURER**

Mrs. Quinn read the Treasurer’s Report:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>State Highway Fund</u>	<u>Sewer Fund</u>
Balance of cash on hand		\$ 524,154.34	\$
		26,627.76	\$ 339,498.55
Receipts for period		\$ 1,044,039.77	\$
		.48	\$
		437,128.31	
Expenditures Last Month		\$ (160,707.66)	\$
		(6,552.26)	\$
Loan from Reserve	\$	\$	\$ (170,448.50)
Ending Balance	\$ 1,407,486.45	\$ 20,075.98	\$ 606,178.36

Mrs. Quinn asked for council's approval to release checks from the following funds; from the general fund checks totaling \$630,148.97, from the state highway fund totaling \$6,552.26, and from the sewer fund totaling \$52.50.

Councilwoman Rankin made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented and to pay the bills, seconded by Councilwoman Corrigan and unanimously approved.

### **SOLICITOR**

Mr. McBlain reported during the past month the solicitor has entered our appearance and intervene in a tax assessment appeal for a property on Ridley Avenue. The owners were not pleased with the recent assessment decrease and have appealed that decision. Therefore the school district solicitor will take the lead in having the property appraised and defending it and consulting with the other taxing authorities for any further action.

Secondly, there are two ordinances in preparation; the Solid Waste Authority extension ordinance and ordinance for an Act 44 Plan pursuant to the police contract.

Lastly, four property maintenance liens will be filed this Friday if we do not receive monies due for previous maintenance cost incurred by the borough.

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### **ENGINEER**

Mr. Close reported relative to NPDS MS4 Storm Water Permit program this week the borough's required biannual report will be submitted to PA DEP due May 13<sup>th</sup> 2016. The current permit coverage is for 5 years which expires March 15, 2018.

Regarding the 2016 Road Program Mr. Close has been working to finalize this year's roads for the program and will be available during the Highway Committee report for input.

Delaware County Council has approved the CDBG project grant application for the \$151,000 request for road improvement in the northeast quadrant of the borough. The bidding documents will be prepared in the coming months. The work is estimated to begin around March 2017.

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH**

Councilman Durso reminded resident's bulk trash pickup for the west side of Aldan will occur Wednesday May 18<sup>th</sup>. Electronics will not be accepted during this pickup.

June 11<sup>th</sup> the Emergency Services Training Center in Sharon Hill will hold a hazardous waste disposal event, no latex paint or electric waste.

The National Drug Take Back day was a big success. Aldan was the second largest collector in Delaware County.

Councilman Durso met with Jim Maloney, the health officer and informed the pool inspection letters are being sent to pool owners and the inspections are expected to begin June 20<sup>th</sup> through mid-July.

West Nile Virus will be monitored again this year.

Trash totals for the month of April were 146.56 tons and recycling totals were 23.79 tons.

### **HIGHWAY**

Councilman Maniaci reported the list of roads has been finalized for the road program. Councilman made a motion to approve the engineer advertising the upcoming road program bid specs, seconded by Councilman Durso, unanimously approved.

Jerry Springer (W Wayne Ave.) asked which five roads were on the list. Mr. Close replied Sylvan Way from Wayne Ave to end of cul-de-sac, Ridley Ave from Providence Road to Maple Avenue, two sections of Priscilla Lane (Woodlawn Ave. to Pennsylvania Ave & from a paving seam in front of 242 Priscilla Lane back to Pennsylvania Ave), and Merion Avenue from Woodlawn Ave. to Clifton Avenue.

Resident questioned if Providence Road was a state highway and Penndots' responsibility. This was confirmed at which time resident notified council of an issue around Providence Rd. & Linden Ave. which the borough manager assured the resident he would notify Penndot.

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### **PUBLIC WORKS**

Nothing to report.

### **FINANCE**

Councilwoman Rankin announced the annual financial audit has been completed.

Ms. Rankin reported the following balances, general fund \$201,560.47, sewer reserve \$335,649.25, police capital reserve \$1,701.45.

Dan Procopio (Walnut Ave) questioned the large expenditure in the general fund this month, the treasurer answered it was a transfer from the sewer fund which consisted of the sewer receipts.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

Councilwoman Corrigan reported on the Fire Marshalls findings; for the month of April there were 9 fire call responses as well as 23 ambulance and paramedic's calls in the borough.

Carol Murray (Woodlawn Avenue) added to the report Norwood responded to her personal ambulance call this past month.

### **LAW, ORDINANCE COMMITTEE**

Councilwoman Urban reported there were 31 building permits issued in the month of April with a total construction value of \$110,504.88. , the plumbing inspector issued 5 permits in April with a total construction value being \$18,158. Seventy one transfer and mid-term inspections were made by the

residential inspector.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

President Short reported Caucus will be Tuesday, June 7th, 2016 at 7:30 P.M. at the Municipal Building. Council will meet Wednesday, June 8th, 2016 at 7:30 PM for Executive Session and General Meeting starting at 8:00 PM at the William Reind Recreation Building.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Carol Murray reported a dumpster is located at Woodlawn & Magnolia Avenues and feels the location is a hazard for vehicles.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Councilwoman Rankin and seconded by Councilman Maniaci, unanimously approved, the regular meeting of the Borough Council was adjourned at 8:29 pm.

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**ATTEST**

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Jennifer Perks  
Asst. Borough Secretary

