

ALDAN BOROUGH, DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

October 12, 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 Council Vice President Peggy Rankin.

ROLL CALL

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

Council members absent: H. Short; S. Urban

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

Officers absent:

MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilman Maniaci seconded by Councilwoman Corrigan the minutes from the September 14, 2016 Council Meeting be accepted as presented and unanimously approved.

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

None

VERBAL CORRESPONDENCE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Councilwoman Rankin turned the meeting over to Councilman Maniaci to present The Aldan Citizenship Award acknowledging the Aldan Boys Club for their 13-14 yr. Delco Championship win. The councilman announced the names of the team participants who came forward to receive the award presented by Mayor Hopely. State Representative Jamie Santora, who was in the meetings attendance, stepped forward to say a few words of congratulations to the team and to the parents for their efforts in supporting the team and players.

Following the citizenship award Mayor Hopely along with John White announced October 2016 as the Aldan Boosters Month along with Proclamation presented to Joe Cosgrove, former Booster president.

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Hopely announced the continuing state mandated and elective training of the police officers in the borough. Also, Mayor urged residents to lock cars and homes as well as garages due to active investigations into a series of thefts from cars and garages in the overnight hours. Please call 911 if you see or hear anything out of the ordinary.

BOROUGH MANAGER

John White congratulated the Aldan Boys Club again on their accomplishment.

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	\$ 704,734.92	\$ 97,407.13	\$ 181,682.41
Receipts for period	\$ 114,672.36	\$ 2.00	\$ 3,229.40
Expenditures Last Month	\$ (225,548.39)	\$ (6,548.03)	\$ (1,099.88)
Loan from Reserve	\$	\$	\$
Ending Balance	\$ 593,858.89	\$ 90,861.10	\$ 183,811.93

Mrs. Quinn asked for council's approval to release checks from the following funds; from the general fund checks totaling \$154,887.15, from the state highway fund totaling \$6,548.24, and from the sewer fund totaling \$88,399.25.

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

SOLICITOR

Mr. McBlain began announcing during the Public Health report a request to approve an agreement on the consent to assign the refuse and recycling contract will be presented. The borough became aware generally of some problems Suburban Waste was having meeting its financial obligations with the Solid Waste Authority and in the business' operations. A contingency plan was then put into place and arrangements made with B&L Disposal Services to look at the borough and negotiated that B&L would take over the contract as is from Suburban Waste Services. In the agreement Suburban gives up the contract on October 1st 2016 and B&L will take over the contract going forward. It does not release Suburban Services from any existing claims that the borough would have such as a recent hydraulic fluid leak that a Suburban Waste truck had and damaged several streets in the borough. Funds will be held from any monies due to Suburban until arrangements have been made to clean those streets.

Mr. McBlain commented on the figures read aloud during the treasurer's report, regarding the general fund year to date revenues, the borough has received 99% of what was budget. Nineteen thousand (\$19,000) is remaining to be received in order to hit the number council has budgeted for the year. Conversely, in terms of expenses, the year to date expenditures is at 77%. Mr. McBlain commended council on those terrific numbers.

Dan Procopio (Walnut Avenue) asked the final length of the refuse/recycle contract for B&L. Mr. McBlain responded the refuse contract expires December 31, 2020 and recycle contract expires December 31, 2018.

ENGINEER

Mr. Close reported on an item relative to MS4 Storm Water Management Permit Program. The current permit expires March 15, 2018 and new requirement changes require the borough to submit a "notice of intent" to continue coverage under the current MPDS permit. This intent should be submitted 180 days before permit expires. Work will begin on the required paperwork early in 2017.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

PUBLIC HEALTH

Councilman Durso continued where the solicitor left off regarding the Suburban Waste closure issue and its effect on Aldan Borough and thanked all for their assistance in making the transition seamless. Councilman then proposed to council to accept the agreement to consent to assign the refuse/recycle contract to B&L Disposal Service going forward, seconded by Councilman Maniaci, unanimously approved.

On October 22nd in the Clifton Heights Municipal parking lot there will be a combined e-cycle and shred event from 9am to 1pm. Also on October 22nd there will be a Drug Take Back event held in the Aldan Municipal parking lot. A household hazardous waste event will be held at the Emergency Services Training Center in Sharon Hill, 1700 Calcon Hook Road from 9am to 1pm. Also, reminder flu season has begun.

During the month of September 27.77 tons of trash and solid waste was collected.

Dan Procopio asked what if any time limitations are listed in the contract for the refuse collection, 6:30 is believed to be the start time but John White will confirm those times and report next month.

HIGHWAY

Councilman Maniaci reported general progress, nothing specific to report.

PUBLIC WORKS

Councilman Oropollo reminded residents to call if there are any storm drains that appear to be clogged.

FINANCE

Councilwoman Rankin reported work has started on the preliminary budget for 2017 which will be present at the November meeting.

Councilwoman thanked all those who participated in the success of Founders Day. Also, Bill Ressler, local artist, is selling 125th Commemorative Aldan print; proceeds will go toward funding the Anniversary event in 2018.

Dan Procopio asked for the fund balances, the following fund balances, general fund \$501,834.05, sewer reserve \$636,008.34; \$1,701.65 in the police capital reserve were given.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilwoman Corrigan reported there were 3 fire calls and 22 ambulance/paramedic calls in Aldan in September. Also, the Fire Marshall would like to remind residents to change batteries in their smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

Secondly, Councilwoman read a letter received by W Magnolia Avenue residents Yvonne and Randolph Meadows, expressing thanks and gratitude to the Aldan Police Department for always providing excellent service in Aldan. "...with the world wide turmoil occurring with law enforcement officers it is important to let you know how much we truly appreciate the police officers protecting our community everyday through their hard work, diligence and dedication. Aldan Police officers are the best! Please accept the luncheon provided for all of you as a token of our appreciation."

LAW, ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

In Councilwoman Urban's absence Councilman Maniaci presented the inspectors report for the month of September; 47 building permits were issued with a construction value of \$218,763.90, 2 plumbing permits issued with a value of \$2,236.00, and there were 13 mid-term and transfer inspections.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Caucus will be Tuesday, November 1st, 2016 at 7:30 P.M. at the Municipal Building. Council will meet Wednesday, November 9th, 2016 at 7:30 PM for Executive Session and General Meeting starting at 8:00 PM at the William Reinl Recreation Building.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Dan Procopio thanked council for acknowledging the Boosters organization and its work in the borough. Dan announced the Booster's are in the process of purchasing two benches to be placed in the park by the ball fields facing the playground equipment.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Councilman Maniaci and seconded by Councilwoman Corrigan, unanimously approved, the regular meeting of the Borough Council was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

ATTEST

Jennifer Perks
Asst. Borough Secretary