

ALDAN BOROUGH, DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

January 11, 2017

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 Building on the above date with President Short presiding.

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

ROLL CALL

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

Council members absent: S. Oropollo

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

Officers absent:

MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilman Maniaci seconded by Councilwoman Rankin the minutes from the December 2016 Council Meeting be accepted as presented and unanimously approved.

WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

None

VERBAL CORRESPONDENCE

Bill Garrity, Fire Marshall, addressed council and residents regarding changes made to the Paramedic Service responders in the Borough of Aldan. In the past Collingdale Fire Company Ambulance and Paramedics have responded to Aldan Borough but will no longer run a paramedic unit going forward. As of January 2017 the Collingdale Ambulance will continue to respond to Aldan but the Paramedic unit will be dispatched out of the Upper Darby (Secane) station. The Delaware County Health Council will be holding a meeting along with municipalities on January 19th regarding the proposed changes and approval of new municipal plans. Details from that meeting to follow.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Hopely wished everyone Happy New Year. Mayor also reminded residents to continue to be mindful in locking homes and vehicles going forward.

BOROUGH MANAGER

John White reminded residents to park on the even side of streets during snow events to allow for plowing the largest portion of streets.

There will be another e-cycle/shredding event held in the Clifton Heights Municipal lot on January 21st from 9am-1pm.

The Zoning hearing pertaining to the request to change zoning for the Roddy Products building from industrial to business to accommodate a charter school will hold its continued meeting on Thursday January 19th beginning at 7pm at the Reintl Recreation Center.

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	\$ 27,936.37	\$ 71,220.26	\$ 0.00
Receipts for period	\$ 21,526.33	\$ 1.57	\$ 2,824.33
Expenditures Last Month	\$	\$	\$
Loan from Reserve	\$ 200,000.00	\$	\$ 180,000.00
Adjustments	\$	\$	\$
Ending Balance	\$ 249,462.70	\$ 71,221.83	\$ 182,824.33

Mrs. Quinn asked for council’s approval to release checks from the following funds; from the general fund checks totaling \$113,595.46, from the state highway fund totaling \$6,548.33, and from the sewer fund totaling \$170,122.25.

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 also reminded council and residents of the continuation of the Zoning Hearing on January 19th.

Dan Procopio (Aldan Avenue) asked for confirmation of the time for the Zoning Hearing; Mr. McBlain confirmed the 7pm start time.

ENGINEER

Mr. Close reported on three items; first regarding the 2016 CDBG project, the project was advertised in Spirit newspaper and bids will be received and opened at February caucus. Secondly, regarding the 2017 CDBG project, the application has been prepared and being submitted this week for the additional 3 streets of paving in the North East Quadrant of the borough. The requested grant amount is \$150,000. The decision for the grant request is expected to be received in May 2017. Lastly, borough manager received notification from Penndot of their intention to resurface a number of roads in the county as part

of their 2017 Resurfacing Program. One of those roads is Springfield Road in Aldan. PennDOT has asked that Aldan complete a standard utility adjustment form for Springfield Road which has been done. If the project takes place Mr. Close proposes the borough use its own contractors to complete the needed manhole adjustment necessary for the project.

Dan Procopio asked if those adjustments fall on the borough or PennDOT and asked the estimated cost. Mr. Close responded that the castings are owned by the borough and therefore would always be our responsibility. Mr. Close did not have an accurate estimate at this time but the approximate cost is \$250 each to purchase and approximately \$400-\$500 for installation.

Mr. Procopio asked if there was a hearing held for the 2017 CDBG program and did council already approve; Mr. Short answered, the hearing was held before the January caucus meeting the previous Tuesday evening. Mr. Procopio then asked if it was advertised as a voting session, Mr. McBlain answered the CDBG hearing was advertised and the vote will be conducted during Mr. Maniaci's report during this evening.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

PUBLIC HEALTH

Councilman Durso reported during the month of December 152.91 tons of trash and solid waste were collected and 31.4 tons of recycling. Mr. Durso reminded resident to contact the borough office or Mr. Durso personally with any trash issues as promptly as possible, most cases can be addressed the same day if reported while the collectors are still in town.

Mr. Durso announced the four 2017 dates for e-cycle and shredding events; January 21st in Clifton Heights, April 22nd in Aldan, July 22nd in Clifton Heights, and October 21st in Aldan.

HIGHWAY

Councilman Maniaci reported on January 5th there was a snow event resulting in a 4hr salting service in the borough amounting to \$504.

Mr. Maniaci made a motion to approve the submission of the 2017 CDBG application by the engineer, seconded by Councilman Durso; unanimously approved.

PUBLIC WORKS

Absent; no report

FINANCE

Councilwoman Rankin announced the tax collector is preparing to send tax bills the beginning of February.

Dan Procopio asked for the fund balances, the following fund balances were given; general reserve \$342,306.18, sewer capital reserve \$552,850.16, police capital reserve \$2,080.52. Dan asked for clarification of the sewer fund checks reported by the treasurer; \$170,122.25 was given.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilwoman Corrigan reported there were 6 fire calls and 29 ambulance/paramedic calls in Aldan in December.

Ms. Corrigan thanked Mr. Garrity for attending tonight's meeting to explain the changes to the paramedic services affecting Aldan Borough.

LAW, ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Urban wished council and residents a Happy New Year and presented the inspectors report for the month of December; 13 building permits were issued with a construction value of \$56,315, 4 plumbing permits issued with a value of \$24,680, and there were 15 mid-term and transfer inspections.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Caucus will be Tuesday, February 7th 2017 at 7:30 P.M. at the Municipal Building. Council will meet Wednesday, February 8th 2017 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 asked if Council has objected to the zoning request regarding the charter school and if a council vote is required. Mr. McBlain responded that it isn't necessary for council to vote, they would defend the Zoning Officers decision and the borough ordinances as pertains to the request.

ADJOURNMENT

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

ATTEST

Jennifer Perks
Asst. Borough Secretary