

REGULAR MEETING
BOROUGH COUNCIL
MALVERN BOROUGH

June 2, 2009
7:30 P.M.

PRESIDING: Woody J. Van Sciver, President

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

1. ROLL CALL:
 - Council President Van Sciver
 - Council Vice President Raymond
 - Council Member Crawford
 - Council Member Edge
 - Council Member Lynch
 - Council Member Smith
 - Council Member Vike
 - Mayor McGlone

COUNCIL RECESSED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS A LEGAL MATTER

Following the Executive Session, Council reconvened the meeting.

2. PUBLIC FORUM:

Council President informed all present that copies of the agenda were available at the Press desk. This is a Public Session of Council. Should any citizen/taxpayer wish to offer comments on any item on the agenda, now is the time to bring those comments before Council. Are there any citizens/taxpayers who wish to bring before Council any item not on the agenda?

- a. John Buckley, 165 Church Street, expressed concern over the members of the Malvern Fire Company running the stop sign at Church Street and First Avenue. He reported that when they run the stop sign they do not have their blue lights on and they don't even slow down. Mr. Buckley reported that children ride their bikes in this area and he feels this is a safety issue.
- b. Mr. Siquett, Green Street, thanked the Public Works Dept. for repairing the storm water issue on Warren Avenue.

3. AWARD BID – PAVING OF CREST AVE. & HIGH STREET:

A motion was made by Council Vice President Raymond, seconded by Council Member Edge and unanimously carried by a vote of 7-0, to award the bid for the paving of Crest Avenue and High Street to S. A. Macanga, Inc., in the amount of \$33,568.76, as recommended by the Borough Engineer.

4. OTHER BUSINESS:

- a. Rajant Corp. – Discussion was held regarding the offer of Rajant Corp. to provide broadband wireless connection to the entire Borough. Following discussion, Council agreed that the Manager would meet with Rajant to determine (a) if there is a match required from the Borough for the grant funding; (b) the annual maintenance costs; and (c) what would be the cost of each additional service; i.e., police and fire service, surveillance of borough parks, etc. Council determined that they would consider proceeding if the service was 100% funded or if Rajant Corp. wanted to use the Borough as a beta project for other municipalities to take advantage of this wireless connection funding. If Rajant Corp. provided the service “free” to the Borough, what would they be expecting from the Borough in return.
- b. *Landscapes* Community Information Meeting – Council President Van Sciver reminded Council of the informational meetings on the County’s policy plan, *Landscapes*, that will be held in June and asked that anyone wishing to attend should contact the Manager.
- c. Act 32 – Council President Van Sciver explained Act 32 and the need to appoint a Delegate and Alternate Delegates to the Tax Collection Committee. Following discussion, the following Delegates were named and will be appointed by Resolution at the June 16th meeting:

Primary Delegate – Sandra Kelley
1st Alternate Delegate – Lonnie Crawford
2nd Alternate Delegate – James Vike
- d. Electric Deregulation – the Manager reported that she had attended a seminar hosted by PECO on the deregulation of electricity that will become effective in 2010. She explained that before deregulation, the utilities owned and operated all parts of the electric system, but that after deregulation, the utilities are only responsible for the delivery of electricity and will no longer produce electricity. She further explained that in 2010 rate caps will be set through the end of the year to protect against volatile market prices, but that after December 31, 2010, the rate caps will expire and the competitive transition charge will be eliminated. Although PECO’s contract for generation will expire at this time, they will remain as the default service provider if a supplier is not chosen by a resident or business. The Manager explained that the Borough will have to obtain a list of licensed suppliers and determine the Borough’s monthly or hourly usage data, in

order to begin cost comparisons. Until the market stabilizes, the Borough may not want to consider entering into any contracts until 2011.

- e. Comcast Franchise Agreement Public Hearing – the Manager announced that the hearing to adopt the Comcast Franchise Agreement has been scheduled for Council’s next meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2009, at 7:30 p.m.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

All business having been discussed, a motion was made by Council Member Lynch, seconded by Council Member Edge and unanimously carried by a vote of 7-0, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Kelley
Secretary/Manager