

**AVALON BOROUGH  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 16, 2007**

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**Council President, Ed Klicker, opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance at approximately 7:40 p.m.**

**Roll Call: Klicker, Cummins, Martin, Narcisi, Pfeiffer, Repp, Sefick.  
Absent: Donnelly, Michalow, Mayor Haslett. Also present were Chief Howie, Shawn Rosensteel and Judith Brogan.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: After some discussion and corrections,**

**Pfeiffer moved:**

**“To accept the Minutes of December 19<sup>th</sup> and December 28<sup>th</sup> as amended.”**

**CARRIED**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- **Dilmore read letter from FEMA on the March 15<sup>th</sup> Weather Exercise that will be conducted statewide. Forwarded to Safety Committee.**
- **Letter from Representative Tom Petrone’s office on the possibility of using the Borough Hall as a satellite office. Will discuss with Property Committee.**
- **Letter from ALOM on February Dinner and Seven Springs Conference.**
- **Transcript from Zoning Hearing arrived and copy forwarded to Mr. Farabaugh and Zoning Board.**
- **Receipt of letter from Elections Bureau on open seats for 2007 Elections.**

- Auditor General's 2006 Annual report for liquid fuels is available at Council Mail Station for review.

Klicker announced that Mayor Haslett's mother had heart surgery and the Council's prayers and well wishes for a speedy recovery are with her and the family.

**VISITORS: NONE**

**MAYOR'S REPORT: NONE**

**SECY/MGRS REPORT:**

Dilmore met with Maher-Duessel on the preliminary work for the 2006 audit which should start in February.

Attended multiple meetings with Chester Engineering and Tri State on progress of camera work. Discussion and map display followed.

He is also gathering information for the Emergency Management Committee meeting. Chief Carney met with FEMA and Allegheny County 911 and booklets, paperwork and disk are ready. Awaiting a date for meeting.

All paperwork and deposit of the Tan Loan of 2007 has been completed. National City Bank should be commended for the quick completion of the Tan Loan.

**SOLICITORS REPORT: NONE**

**BOROUGH ENGINEER'S REPORT: ATTACHED**

**FINANCE REPORT: Pfeiffer moved:**

**"To accept the Finance Report as submitted."**

**CARRIED**

**TREASURER'S REPORT: Pfeiffer moved:**

**“To accept the Treasurer’s Report as submitted.”**

**CARRIED**

**“To pay the List of Bills.”**

**CARRIED**

**NO TAX COLLECTOR’S REPORT.**

**PUBLIC SAFETY: Narcisi moved:**

**“To accept the resignation of Regis Slazenski as school crossing guard. Employment to be terminated as of January 4, 2007.**

**“To hire Thomas O’Brien of 609 Norwood Avenue, Avalon, Pa. as a school crossing guard. Salary to be \$9.75 per hour.**

**CARRIED**

**INTER BORO: NONE**

**Dilmore announced that dinner RSVP’s should be submitted by January 24, 2007.**

**STREETS:**

**Repp announced that Identification Cards will be issued to all Avalon Borough Employees as recommended by the insurance company.**

**There was some discussion concerning the salt purchase and usage for the Borough.**

**There is concern about the gas company opening the sidewalks in Avalon since the weather can cause dangerous walking areas. There is an Ordinance that requires the utility companies to replace any sidewalks they open.**

**Solicitor Canciello assured the Council that there would be no support in law suits prompted by the combination of inclement weather and the utility company opening the sidewalks for the service of that company.**

**PROPERTY: Zoning meeting recommendations not decided.**

**Martin moved:**

**“To accept the recommendation of the Property Committee and hire Q-DOT, Inc. of 3046 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. for the installation of the service garage rooftop units at a cost of \$10,937.00.**

**CARRIED**

**CORP/PLANNING: NONE**

**PARKS:**

**Sefick moved:**

**“To permit the Borough Manager to attend the 17<sup>th</sup> Western Executive Development Conference at a cost of \$600.00**

**CARRIED**

**“To have the Secretary make reservations for two representatives from Council to attend the Conference at Seven Springs.**

**CARRIED**

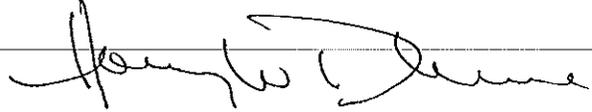
**LIBRARY: NONE**

**Pfeiffer announced that the Library is still looking for Board Members.**

**Harry announced that Dan Franus, Architect informed him that because the Borough is installing commercial windows it will be best to bid early. The earlier the bid, the less expensive the windows will be and there is a matching grant to help fund the project.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Harry W. Dilmore".

**Harry W. Dilmore**  
**Manager**

*approved*

**AVALON BOROUGH  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 20, 2007**

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**Councilman David Pfeiffer opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance at approximately 7:30 p.m.**

**Roll Call: Klicker, Cummins, Donnelly, Narcisi, Pfeiffer, Repp, Sefick, who left at 8:02 p.m., and Michelow. Also present were Mayor Haslett, Harry Dilmore, Chief Howie, Shawn Rosensteel and Judith Brogan.  
Absent: David Martin.**

**Repp moved:**

**“To accept the Minutes of January 16, 2007.” Donnelly and Michelow abstained.**

**CARRIED**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- **Dilmore read letter from PSAB inquiring as to Council members eligible for 2007 Distinguished Service Award. Manager will fill out reports and verification papers.**
- **Letter from “The Citizen” with the new 2007 advertising rates. Forwarded to Finance Committee.**
- **Letter from Mayor David Haslett for both declaring and rescinding a snow emergency last week to aid in both street clean-up and the search for Mr. McCarthy.**
- **Received letter of resignation from Garrett Miller, effective March 2, 2007. Mr. Garrett is seeking other career opportunities.**

**VISITORS:** A resident of Grandview Avenue thanked the Street Crew for the quick and efficient cleaning of the snow and ice during the recent storm. She also called attention to the missing hand rail on the steps at the bottom of Norwood Avenue. This created a dangerous situation to people using the steps. Mr. Dilmore stated that the rail had been removed for repair and painting. It will be replaced as soon as possible.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Haslett commended the Police, Fire and Street Crew for the work during the search for Mr. McCarthy. The Mayor also attended the Mayor's Association Meeting last week and met a man who worked with Allegheny County in Dan Onorato's office who informed Mayor Haslett that there are times when the County will assist the Boroughs in emergency situations and the cost is for material only. He will pass the name and number onto the Streets Committee.

**SECY/MGRS REPORT:**

- Mr. Dilmore announced that preliminary work was completed with the Auditors, Maher-Duessel, on the 2006 Financial Report for Avalon Borough. Auditors will return on March 5, 2007 to finish the in-house portion of report.
- Dilmore thanked all who participated in both the February 8 Fire call on Ohio River Boulevard and the search for Mr. McCarthy. The volunteers, Fire Department, DPW, Police, Salvation Army, Red Cross and other fire departments did terrific work at both events.
- Dilmore will be leaving on Wednesday, February 21, 2007 in mid-afternoon and returning on Friday, February 23, 2007 in the late afternoon to attend the Western Executive Manager's Educational Conference.
- Dilmore is processing the 2006 library report and the Pennsylvania Pubic Library local effort credit report.

- Assisted in the set up and Grand Opening of State Representative, Tom Petrone's satellite office in the Municipal Building. It has been a complete success up to this point and Tom's staff will be working 3 days a week with the addition of a new staff member to assist the citizens of the North Boroughs.
- We're finishing work on the Police and Non-Uniform year end reports with Mockenhaupt Associates and will work in conjunction with Maher-Duessel to complete the work.
- Re-interviewed three cleaning companies for the original PFA's for building and library cleaning. He will report to the Property Committee on status of interviews.
- Letter from Lois Cummins stating "A conflict of interest" on certain votes to be on file.

#### **SOLICITOR:**

- Canciello stated that the proposed contract with the Bellevue - Avalon Baseball Association was good if all parties agree on the terms. A committee will be formed to consider who uses the field. Presently, the Northgate Athletic Association, BABA and the North Boros Panthers Football Association are permitted to use the field without charge. The new proposal and committee would establish rates and organizations permitted to use the field in the future. After some discussion, it was determined that the committee would be the Parks Committee and the President of Council.
- Alcosan Sewer Rates: Alcosan has let it be known that they want to work with the Boroughs and Municipalities regarding billing. The Borough only needs to send a letter to Alcosan telling them to bill the owner of the property rather than the tenant. Mr. Dilmore will notify Alcosan for Avalon Borough.
- The Tax-enabling Act gives the Boroughs the right to levy a tax on leases in the Borough. This applies to both residential and business leases, to be paid by the owner of the lease.

- Mr. Canciello was not encouraging this tax but letting the Council know that the option is there.

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**ENGINEER'S REPORT: ATTACHED**

There was discussion concerning the mapping, camera work and the hiring of students to complete the Internal Inspection by May 31, 2007.

Mr. John Shombert, from Three Rivers Wet Weather of Allegheny County will be coming to speak with the Council as a direct result of Tom Michelow's letter to the County. Date needs to be set.

Sefick moved:

"To enter into an agreement with the Allegheny Parks and Recreation Department for the summer lunch program for 2007."

**CARRIED**

**PARKS:** Sefick informed the Council that the handicap bathroom in the bath house is almost complete.

The baseball contract should be complete next month, in time to arrange the schedules which are set to begin in April.

Sefick left the meeting at 8:02 p.m. due to illness.

**FINANCE:** Pfeiffer moved:

"To accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted."

**CARRIED**

Pfeiffer moved:

**“To accept the Tax Collector’s Report as submitted.”**

**CARRIED**

**“To accept the List of Bills as submitted.”**

**CARRIED**

**Dilmore stated that the tax collector wanted it on record that her December report was accepted at the December 28, 2006 adjourned meeting.**

**Pfeiffer moved:**

**“To accept the contract for the library audit from Maher-Duessel CPA, at a cost not to exceed \$4,500.00.”**

**CARRIED**

**Dilmore announced an increase in advertising for the local newspaper, The Citizen. Connie Rankin, editor, stated this is incorrect and there is no increase for Municipality advertisements.**

**SAFETY: Narcisi stated that it is agreed that the new Borough Building has been an asset as an emergency base in emergency situations.**

**Narcisi explained that in the past 2 ½ years, the Fire Department received grants to help with their budgets and suggested that the Police Department also apply for grants to help alleviate the budget. Chief Howie stated that they have applied in the past and would look into future applications.**

**Narcisi moved:**

**“to enter into an agreement with Spencer & Friends for animal control for 2007.”**

**CARRIED**

**INTER – BORO:** Donnelly stated there will be a COG meeting in Bellevue in March.

Donnelly moved to:

**“to accept and have proper officials sign the QVCOG contract CD 33.7.7 Duff Alley Reconstruction at an allocation of \$30,000.”**

**CARRIED**

Donnelly moved:

**“to accept and have proper officials sign the QVCOG contract CD 33.7.7. Handicap Ramps at an allocation of \$18,000.00.”**

**CARRIED**

Donnelly will attend the Allegheny League of Municipalities meeting in Churchill on March 8, 2007 and give a report to Council.

**STREETS:** Repp did not attend the Streets Committee meeting due to unforeseen circumstances. He thanked the residents of Avalon for their patience during the recent storms and during the work Columbia Gas is doing which is causing an inconvenience for the residents.

Repp moved:

**“to draw up specifications and advertise for the purchase of a new 1 ton dump truck.”**

**CARRIED**

**“to purchase mobile radios for the 4 DPW trucks at a cost not to exceed \$2,200.00, from Mobile Radio Service, Inc.”**

**CARRIED**

**PROPERTY REPORT: NONE**

Dilmore announced that the roof heating units would be ready in time for Monte Carlo night.

Repp and Narcisi commented that the new Borough Building has been getting used frequently which is good for the Community.

**SANITION:** Cummins stated that she hasn't found too many complaints regarding the increase in the annual garbage fee. Dilmore commented that there have been a few but overall, people are paying and taking advantage of the discount period.

**CORP/PLANNING:** Michalow stated there would be a Joint Zoning Committee meeting on March 12, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. and the main meeting on March 24, 2007 at 1:00 p.m.

Michalow spoke at the school board meeting regarding the Tax Forgiveness proposal and linking their web site with the Borough's. There was some discussion regarding what would be on the web site and all information would have to be in on or before March 1, 2007 in order to be considered. Klicker asked if it would be advisable to set up a meeting with the School Board and the Council. Dilmore said it would be a good idea.

Michalow stated that the County could not co-operate with the Borough regarding the Tax Abatements. The Borough should send a list of properties that the Borough wants to have the tax erased and it would be considered this summer.

**LIBRARY: NO REPORT.**

Pfieffer moved:

“to appoint Lisa Sefick to the Library Board effective February 1, 2007 to February 28, 2010.”

**CARRIED**

“To appoint Mary Haslett to the Library Board effective February 1, 2007 to February 28, 2010.”

**CARRIED**

**“to accept the resignation of John Baldassare from the Library Board effective February 28, 2007.”**

**CARRIED**

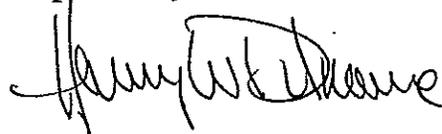
**Connie Rankin of The Citizen Newspaper addressed the Council regarding raising funds for Parks and Recreation. The meeting is scheduled for March 1, 2007. They are planning a flea market and have been accepting donations.**

**Connie stated serious concerns regarding limiting the use of the park and field to local organizations. She stated that other Townships and Boroughs have donated to the Avalon funds including the fireworks and equipment and this decision will cause hard feelings between the Boroughs.**

**Klicker stated that this is not a closed issue since the points Connie raised had not been brought to the Council's attention and these things would be discussed at a meeting with Dan Sefick present.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**



**Harry W. Dilmore  
Manager**

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**AVALON BOROUGH  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 20, 2007**

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**Mayor David Haslett opened the meeting with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance at approximately 7:30 p.m.**

**Roll Call: Cummins, Donnelly, Narcisi, Pfeiffer, Repp, Sefick, Martin and Michelow. Also present were Mayor Haslett, Harry Dilmore, Solicitor Canciello, Chief Howie, Shawn Rosensteel and Judith Brogan.  
Absent: Edward Klicker**

**Narcisi moved:**

**“To accept the Minutes of February 20, 2007.”**

**CARRIED**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- **Dilmore read letter from Bianca Caruso, President of the North Boros Community Day on May 19, 2007, requesting use of the mobile stage for their event. Letter was passed on to the Parks Committee.**
- **Letter from Penn Dot on “Outreach” Sessions to explain responsibility on all state roads and bridges. Meeting on April 10, 2007 at in Robinson Township. Letter forwarded to the Streets Committee.**
- **Tri Boro’s Joint Zoning Board Meeting on Saturday, March 24, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. All Council persons are asked to please try to attend.**

## **VISITORS:**

**Resident, Geana Deringer of 707 Center Avenue, Avalon, stated that she is on the board of the North Boros Panthers. She expressed concerns over the schedule, the use of the field and volunteers. Ed Repp stated there is no motion on the floor to determine the use of the field at this time. Mr. Dilmore stated that the letters and schedules are not sent out until later in the season, possibly June or July. She disagreed with him and some discussion was held concerning the prior response to letters and the present controversy going in the Borough regarding the use of the fields. She wants an earlier response. Geana stated that she wants to know how much the fee, if any, would be to use the field. Mr. Sefick stated there had not been any discussion concerning the use of the fields or fees in the past. Geana stated that she would like to attend future Council Meetings if possible, at which time all Council members assured her that her presence at future meetings would be appreciated. They also told her it is her right to attend any meeting for the Borough without asking permission. This includes all Committees and Council Meetings.**

**Mr. Dilmore told Geana to send a letter to him to inform him that she wants to move up the date of the contract. He will respond and to her letter and set a time for her to sign the contract.**

**Resident, Tammy Carmichael of 118 Prospect Street, Avalon, expressed concerns regarding Handicap parking signs on Prospect Street. She asked if there is an Ordinance concerning this issue. She was told there is not. She read a brief history of her health issues stating her walking limitations. She sent a copy of her health problems to Police Chief Howie asking for another Handicap Parking space on the street. This was denied based on the size of the street and the fact that there is already a space designated for this purpose. She informed Council that her neighbor does not share this space with other residents on the street.**

**Vickie Donnelly stated that you do not have to ask for permission to park in a Handicap Parking space if you have the placard. Tammy stated that her neighbor does not share the parking space no matter how often he is asked to do this. Mr. Repp promised to work with**

Tammy to help her solve her problem and Mr. Pfeiffer said that if another space is provided it would have to be shared. Mr. Narcisi said it would be discussed at the next Safety Committee Meeting.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Haslett stated that he has information regarding the Outreach Meeting of Allegheny County as discussed by Mr. Dilmore. He also congratulated the Northgate Basketball Team on their great year.

#### **SECY/MGR'S REPORT:**

- Mr. Dilmore announced that the Sewer Camera work, including the cutting of laterals has been 95% completed. Final meetings on work to be completed have been held and Chester Engineering is completing the reports.
- Semple Avenue is closed to thru traffic at the curve onto New Brighton Road. Work will commence on repairs as soon as the ground is stable enough to excavate and place baskets.
- Dilmore is preparing an information packet for the 2007 renewal of PIRMA Insurance. Council has discussed "shopping around" for pricing, but we are to see reductions in the cost because of longevity in pool.
- Avalon Boroughs Senior property tax relief forms are available at the Manager's Office. Council passed this Ordinance in April of 2005 and this message is a reminder to long-term Borough residents that they should apply for the rebate.
- Dilmore had scheduled an exit conference with the Auditors from Maher-Duesseel to complete the 2006 audit. The meeting went well and the audit was much more organized due to the new filing system.
- We're completing work on grant applications on both the Federal and State levels for 2007 – 2008 projects.

- The heating units in the Fire Department meeting/banquet hall area have been completed. The units are both heating and air conditioning units and were completed under budget.

**SOLICITOR:**

Canciello stated that many of the Boroughs and Townships are enacting an Ordinance called the "Sexual Offenders Registry. These ordinances set the parameters stating where sexual offenders can live within the Borough. This will not affect sexual offenders currently living in the Borough, but will set parameters for the future. Since there is a 40% ratio of offenders, Canciello suggests that this be considered in Avalon. This will be discussed at the next Safety Committee meeting.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT: ATTACHED**

**FINANCE:**

Pfieffer moved:

"To accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted."

**CARRIED**

Pfieffer moved:

"To accept the Tax Collector's Report as submitted."

**CARRIED**

"To accept the List of Bills as submitted."

**CARRIED**

**“To accept the resolution to exonerate Inez Stauffer from collecting 2005 delinquent Real Estate Tax.”**

**CARRIED**

**“To adopt Resolution No. 1034 entering Avalon Borough into an agreement with the Department of Education for improvements to the Avalon Public Library.”**

**CARRIED**

**SAFETY:**

**Mr. Narcisi announced there will be a CPR class on Monday, April 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Fire Hall in Avalon. Everyone is welcome to attend.**

**Fire Chief, Bill Carney, received a letter inviting a tour to the factory where the vehicles are manufactured. There will be a sign up sheet in the Mayor’s office for April 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**Narcisi moved:**

**“To have Lois Cummins attend the National Animal Control Seminaf at a cost of \$250.00”**

**CARRIED**

**“To accept the resignation of Charles F. Tresher as a part-time Avalon Police Officer, effective March 20, 2007.**

**CARRIED**

**“To ask the secretary to give the first and second reading of the Ordinance and give it a number, setting the rules and regulations for open container burning in Avalon Borough.”**

**CARRIED**

**The Ordinance was read and given the number 1314. After some questions it was determined that the permit for this burning will be set at \$5.00.**

**“To have the secretary read a proclamation of Avalon Council honoring John Vetterly for 25 years of service to the Avalon Volunteer Fire Department.”**

**CARRIED**

**Mr. Vetterly was not available to accept the award but it will be given to him at a later date.**

**“To have the secretary read a proclamation of Avalon Council honoring Harry J. Dilmore for 50 years of service to the Avalon Volunteer Fire Department.”**

**CARRIED**

**Mr. Repp presented the award to Mr. Dilmore with the congratulations and gratitude of Avalon Borough.**

**INTER – BORO:**

**Vickie Donnelly stated that she will attend the CVCOG meeting in Leetsdale on March 21, 2007. Comcast and Verizon will have representatives present to give a presentation of their services.**

**There will be a police meeting where all of the Police Chiefs would work together to form a networking unit to apply for grants and other**

**Vickie Donnelly moved:**

**“To place a listing in the North Suburban Chamber of Commerce 2007 Directory at a cost of \$90.00.”**

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**CARRIED**

**STREETS: ~~No report~~**

**Mr. Narsisi asked about the winter salt usage. Keith Lorey, Street Crew Foreman, stated that Avalon is over by 740 tons at this time.**

**Mr. Michalow asked about rebidding on the truck for the Street Crew as discussed at the February 20, 2007 Council Meeting.**

**Mr. Repp congratulated the Street Crew for an excellent job this winter keeping the roads and streets clean.**

**PROPERTY REPORT: NONE**

**HEALTH/SANITATION: NONE**

**Mr. Dilmore stated that the cleaning company for the Borough Building and Library will be hired as soon as possible.**

**CORP/PLANNING:**

**Mr. Michalow reported that there is a Tri – Boro meeting in the Avalon Council Chambers at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 24, 2007. All are welcome to attend.**

**PARKS/RECREATION:**

**SEFICK MOVED:**

**“To hire B & R Pools and Swim Shop to do the weekly testing of the pool to meet Pennsylvania Health Department regulations, at a cost of \$25.00 per sample.”**

**Vickie Donnelly asked if more than one sample is taken on a regular basis. She was assured that they do take more than one sample at \$25.00 per sample.**

**CARRIED**

**“To permit the Northgate National Honor Society to use the mobile stage for their Community Day event on May 19, 2007.”**

**CARRIED**

**“To approve the 2007 contract the Bellevue Avalon Baseball Association for the use of the Avalon Athletic Fields.”**

**Mr. Narsisi asked about the addition to the contract on page 2. After a heated discussion regarding the changes and the fact that Council did not vote on the changes prior to the meeting, a vote was taken with Vickie Donnelly being the only no vote.**

**She stated that she could see both sides of the problem. She agreed with Tom Michalow who stated that in his opinion, all groups should have to pay to use the field.**

**Mr. Dilmore stated that the fields are in worse condition than in previous years. The Borough needs money to repair the fields.**

**CARRIED**

**“To approve the 2007 contract with the Northgate Athletic Association for use of the Avalon Athletic Field.”**

**CARRIED (V. Donnelly voted no.)**

**LIBRARY:**

**Pfeiffer announced that the Library hired a private bookkeeper, Lorraine Makatura.**

**The Board accepted the resignation of Lane Cigna. They have a temporary member until a replacement for Lane Cigna is found.**

**Mr. Pfeiffer announced that Lorraine Makatura has agreed to be the bookkeeper for Avalon Public Library.**

**Repp moved:**

**“To adjourn the March 20, 2007 Council Meeting.**

**CARRIED**

**Respectfully submitted,**



**Harry W. Dilmore  
Manager**

*Approved*

**AVALON BOROUGH  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 17, 2007**

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Ed Repp chaired the meeting in the absence of Ed Klicker. Pfeiffer opened the meeting at approximately 7:30 p.m. with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Cummins, Donnelly, Narcisi, Pfeiffer, Repp, Sefick, and Michelow. Also present were, Harry Dilmore, Solicitor Canciello, Chief Howie, Shawn Rosensteel and Judith Brogan. **Absent:** Edward Klicker, Haslett and Martin

No executive session.

Pfeiffer moved:

“To accept the Minutes of March 20, 2007.”

**CARRIED**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Dilmore read letter from the North Boros Panthers requesting a decision on field usage for their organization for 2007. Letter was forwarded to the Parks Committee.
- Letter from Allegheny County Elections Division stating that the voting machines will be delivered on May 8<sup>th</sup> for the May 15<sup>th</sup> elections. Election polls open at 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## VISITORS:

Resident, Jackie Yurkovich of Grandview Avenue asked if Grandview Avenue is scheduled for paving as promised. She expressed concerns over the condition of the street and noted that she was told in the Winter that work would begin in the Spring. Mr. Dilmore checked with the Borough Engineer, Sean Rosensteel, who stated that the work with the 3 Rivers Association and the Allegheny County Health Department should be completed by May 20<sup>th</sup> at which time the street work would begin depending on the bids and the schedule of the contractor. Dilmore stated the Borough is following the time schedule mandated by the Federal Government and work will begin and be completed based on the factors stated earlier. Jackie asked if the work would be done before the Winter of 2007. Mr. Dilmore explained that they have a planned Borough - wide sweep of the work that needs done and this would be done per Ward. Jackie also asked if there would be a "No Dumping" sign put up to avoid the problems she had last November.

There was no definite answer at this time.

Larry Novak expressed the same street repair concerns for Victoria Drive. Dilmore stated again that the work would depend on the completion of the sewer lines. Dilmore stated that they would not pave any street that would have to be dug up within the next two years because the work on the sewer lines was not finished. There are four known breaks on Grandview Avenue.

Caz Mostowy of Center Avenue asked if there is an emergency plan in place for the Borough, specifically for spills on Neville Island. Dilmore stated there is a plan which has two parts. One is for the public which is available at the Borough Office and one for the police and fire departments which is not for the public. The one for the public is available at the Borough Office. Mr. Mostowy asked if there is a siren and does it have a sound that distinguishes it from the other alerts such as fire and ambulance. Dilmore agreed that a siren is an excellent idea but it is not operable at this time. Repp explained that the Borough has no legal standing to address the businesses on Neville Island, however,, Mr. Caz could contact the Allegheny County Health Department, his Congressman and Matt Drozd with Allegheny County a the May 23<sup>rd</sup>

meeting. Vickie Donnelly suggested that Mr. Mostowy could contact the Allegheny County Council.

Solicitor Rich Canciello suggested that Mr. Mostowy check on the situation on the State level and with the organization, Friends and Neighbors of Neville Island. Vickie Donnelly pointed out that the companies on Neville Island who are fined for polluting often appeal the fine and have it reduced to an amount they don't mind paying. Michalow stated that if Mr. Mostowy would e-mail his concerns and suggestions to him, he would forward it to Matt Drozd with Allegheny County. Repp suggested that Mr. Mostowy join other committees in Avalon to assist with Borough activities.

Dawn Mostowy of Center Avenue, complimented the Borough Council, Mr. Dilmore and his office staff for the professional attitude and work they do on a daily basis. She asked if there were any plans to develop new businesses in Avalon. Mr. Repp suggested that Mr. Michalow explain about the parking problems in the Borough and how the other Boroughs, Ben Avon and Bellevue as well as Avalon, are trying to encourage businesses to move into the area. Mr. Michalow stated that he has worked for several years trying to develop the area as far as parking availability and attracting more "white collar" i.e. doctors, dentists, etc., businesses to the area. Route 65 is being revitalized more quickly because of the parking availability and because it is a Multi Boro area.

Repp stated that with the Tri Boro plan comes grant money to be shared by all of the Boroughs. Michalow stated that the zoning study for the area should be finished by the end of 2007.

In response to why Bellevue has more small businesses, it was noted that Bellevue also has parking lots behind their businesses as well as on street parking, but in Avalon's favor is the fact that there is not Merchant Business Tax in Avalon. Dilmore stated there is also a lot of "walk in" business in Avalon, and he is pleased with the work the Boroughs have done on Route 65 to date and looking forward to the continued growth of the area.

Dawn asked if there are any plans to put a sign on Route 65 to announce Avalon's qualities. Michalow stated that suggestion has been made in the past and is being considered.

Pat Narcisi stated that the Quality of Life Committee is always looking for new volunteers and the next meeting is on May 23<sup>rd</sup> 2007. New residents are encouraged to attend these meetings and "get involved."

Todd from Center Avenue stated that he noticed that litter is a big problem in the area. He also noted that the gutter situation is also a problem. He wanted to know if Avalon had considered using decals and stencil fish to point out the gutter drains in the area. Other Boroughs and cities are doing this. Mr. Dilmore explained that Avalon was far down on the list to get the decals and the County ran out of them. Avalon is presently on the list to receive the stencils. He pointed out that the Street Crew is cleaning the area now because the weather has improved. Mr. Narcisi pointed out that there will be a Dumpster Day on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Todd asked if the Borough has a professional company working on the parking issue. He is concerned about tearing down viable buildings to put in a parking lot. Mr. Dilmore assured him that is not the case and Mr. Michalow is working with this issue.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

None

#### **SECY/MGR'S REPORT:**

- Mr. Dilmore announced the completion of the 2006 Liquid Fuels audit and they are awaiting the Liquid Fuels check for 2007.

Vickie Donnelly asked if Avalon received the check from Seven Springs. Mr. Dimore said he called and was told the check is in the mail and should be received within the next few days.

**SOLICITOR:**

Canciello said he had been asked to look into the legality of entering into agreements with other Boroughs. This can be done but he wants to look into other factors, such as insurance issues. He also stated that he has been working with Mr. Pfeiffer to get a tax exempt status for the library. He received a letter from the IRS stating that Avalon Library does not qualify for "tax exempt status" because the government has too much control because Avalon Borough gives the Library money to operate. He said this can be avoided by incorporating the Friends of the Public Library allowing donors to donate to Friends of the Public Library and claim the exemption themselves. Another avenue to explore is to work with Mr. Mayernick to get grants for the Library. He suggests doing both plans, noting there is a meeting on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. to discuss this issue.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT: ATTACHED**

**FINANCE:**

Pfeiffer stated that the auditor's report was good and the report is available at the office.

Pfeiffer moved:

"To accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted."

**CARRIED**

"To accept the Tax Collector's Report as submitted."

**CARRIED**

"To accept the List of Bills as submitted."

**CARRIED**

Mr. Dilmore informed Council that the Tax Collector, Inez Stauffer, needs help in the tax office. He needs to know if he has the authority to advertise for the position. He asked Solicitor Canciello about the legality of having the office staff work more than 32 hours. How would this be paid and show on the budget? Is a motion necessary? Mr. Michalow asked why Inez did not hire someone on her own as in the past.

There was a lot of discussion addressing the concerns of the Council especially the time allowed to hire someone and suggestions by Mr. Dilmore to use the office staff. The bottom line is that the office staff cannot work more than 32 hours. Repp asked if a motion is necessary to authorize Harry to hire a temporary clerk for the tax office.

Michalow moved:

“To have Harry hire a temporary person through an agency to help Inez in the Tax Office for a period of 60 days at \$13.50 per hour.”

**CARRIED**

Michalow asked where this amount would come from in the budget. Dilmore and Repp pointed out that there was money budgeted in the beginning of the year and that is what will be used and it would come from the Tax Office Budget.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Narcisi moved:

“To advertise for the sale of a 2003 Harley – Davidson motorcycle. Detailed specs to be obtained at the Administration Office. Minimum bid of \$11,000.00.”

**CARRIED**

“To place a handicap parking space in the vicinity of 118 Prospect Street.”

Police Chief Howie disagreed but was vetoed by Council.  
The motion to place a handicap parking sign in the vicinity of 118 Prospect Street was:

**CARRIED**

“To have the final reading of Ordinance NO. 1314 on burning requirements in Avalon Borough.

**CARRIED**

Repp requested a roll call vote for Ordinance No. 1314.

**CARRIED**

**INTER – BORO:**

Vickie Donnelly stated that there will be a Hazardous Waste pick up in North Park sponsored by Allegheny County on from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. People can drop off articles such as paint cans, aerosol cans etc. for a fee of \$2.00 per gallon cash only. More information can be obtained on their web site at [www.wpa.hhw.org](http://www.wpa.hhw.org).

CVCOG is sponsoring a Recycling Day on May 12, 2007 in the Memorial Park parking lot. Dilmore stated that he heard it was going to be at another location. After some discussion, Donnelly said she would keep Council advised as to the location.

Manager’s meeting will be held on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Dilmore informed Council that he will also be casting Bellevue’s vote at this meeting.

**STREETS:**

Repp stated there was a meeting on Thursday, April 12, 2007. The condition of the Borough trucks was discussed and every option was explored to repair or replace the trucks through financing. Bellevue sent three representatives to the April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. After some discussion it was decided that Avalon would keep the lines of communication open with Bellevue.

Work is completed on the shelters and rentals are being accepted at the Administration Office.

**PROPERTY:**

Pfeiffer moved:

“To hire Commercial Cleaning Services of Westview, Pa. to clean the Avalon Public Library and the Avalon Municipal Building at a cost of \$1,425.00 per month.”

Donnelly asked the name of the owner of the company. Dilmore informed her that the owner’s name is Jack Hyde.

**CARRIED**

**PUBLIC HEALTH & SANITATION:**

Cummins moved:

“To move May 15<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting to Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> due to Election Day.”

**CARRIED**

**PARKS/RECREATION:**

Sefick moved:

“Permit the Northminster Presbyterian Church to hold “the best two weeks of summer” program in the Avalon Park on July 16<sup>th</sup> thru July 27<sup>th</sup> 2007.”

**CARRIED**

“To hire Sylvia Thomas of 229 S. Ohio Street, Avalon, as the director of the summer lunch program.

**CARRIED**

Dilmore explained that the County pays for the summer lunch program as long as there are at least 50 people signed up to participate. He stated that Avalon is eligible for the program at this time. The program will be held in the little park at the school rather than the pool so mothers with small children can participate in the program. He stated that the Day Care Centers and Assumption School have been notified of the program.

“To authorize the Manager to advertise for a clerk position at the Avalon Pool for the 2007 swim season.”

**CARRIED**

Sefick asked Dilmore to explain how the swimming pool passes will be issued this year. Dilmore explained that the family passes were being abused by people who do not have as many children as they are claiming in order to get the family rate. They are allowing either non resident relatives or neighbors to use their family plan price.

The prices this year have not changed but the way the requests for passes are processed will change. There will be an ad placed in the Citizen advertising Avalon Borough’s summer programs.

Sefick stated that the new pavilion is finished and the tables installed. These are full sized benches and tables.

**CORPORATION & PLANNING LIBRARY:**

Michalow stated that his Committee pursuing Grants and said the meeting dates would be published in the Citizen.

Michalow moved:

“To have the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance No. 1315 adopting the 2006 International Building Code.”

Reading by Dilmore: A minimum fine of \$300.00 for violations.

The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> readings were approved.

**LIBRARY:**

Pfeiffer stated that there will be a fund raiser for educational purposes on May 23, 2007 when they will have a Micro Brewery come in to demonstrate and answer questions. Seats are limited.

Pfeiffer had questions concerning the cleaning company procedure for each department and area. Dilmore stated that the contractor, Jack Hyde, will be coming in and he will get clarification at that time.

**4<sup>th</sup> of July Report:**

Connie Rankin stated that all of the money raised last year was put into a CD which was cashed in and used to pay the first half of the Committee's expenses.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harry W. Dilmore  
Manager

Manager

Approved

**AVALON BOROUGH  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MAY 16, 2007**

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The meeting opened with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance lead by Dave Pfeiffer.

Roll Call: Cummins, Donnelly, Klicker, Michalow, Narcisi, Pfeiffer, and Repp. Also present were, Harry Dilmore, Solicitor Canciello, Chief Howie, Shawn Rosensteel and Judith Brogan. Absent: Haslett, Martin and Sefick.

No executive session.

Repp

“To accept the Minutes of April 17, 2007.”

**CARRIED**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Dilmore announced there was a letter from the QVCOG regarding negotiations with Verizon of Pennsylvania on cable contract. Letter forwarded to Corporation & Planning Committee.
- Letter from Northgate School District requesting the use of the Avalon Park & Shelter Houses for the 2007 school picnics. Letter forwarded to the Parks Committee.

Klicker read Resolution No. 2007-32 presenting an award of recognition to Kevin McKiernan.

Repp moved:

**Repp moved:**

**“To accept Resolution No. 2007-32 recognizing the accomplishments of Coach Kevin McKiernan during the 2006/07 basketball season and especially during the WPIAL playoff game.**

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**CARRIED**

**President, Ed Klicker presented the award to Kevin which he graciously accepted. Coach Hurley stated that the District is proud of the accomplishments of the team and Coach McKiernan. Klicker announced that each member of the team would receive a similar award.**

**Visitors:**

**Coach Hurley asked about the painting of the parking lines in the area. Dilmore explained that the crew has been excessively busy preparing the pool and park area for the season and would get to the painting as soon as possible.**

**Tammy Carmichael of 118 Prospect Street, Avalon, stated that although she requested and received a Handicap Parking Sign near her house, she would like to specify the sign be given to her neighbor at 114 Prospect Street, Avalon, who has a serious heart problem. The sign will be placed on the street to be used by those who need it.**

**MAYOR’S REPORT:**

**None**

**SECY/MGR’S REPORT:**

- Mr. Dilmore announced the completion of the 2006 Liquid Fuels audit with Brian Delany, from the Auditor General’s Office. Exit conference will be held next week to complete the visit.**

- **Work has continued on Wet Weather Project with final stages of the Smoke and Dye inspections, 615 mapping of manholes for the master map, manhole inspections and placing of Borough Bench mark being set.**
- **Attended meeting with Representatives of Chester Engineering and a meeting of DEP officers to report on Wet Weather Progress and meet with Pennvest Official on needs for application.**
- **Met with Agent from H.A. Thompson and update policies of insurance for the 2007-2008 Prima General Liability Insurance.**
- **Met with Karen Beck, of MRM, the Borough's Unemployment Compensation Carrier and reviewed the policies and updates of claims. Karen also met with Chief Howie and Keith Lorey.**
- **Attended Northern Basin Manager's meeting in Shaler, Pa, and received updates on Decree and next meeting in July after May 31 deadlines are met to update those reports.**
- **Working on Dumpster Day to be held on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and Community Day to be held on May 19<sup>th</sup> and recently completed Apple Blossom Festival.**
- **Met with BIU and project managers, contractors, or owners in relation to the three projects underway or in planning stages in the Borough.**

**SOLICITOR:**

**Canciello announced that he is working with Narcisi regarding the Landlord –Tenant act. It is in the research stage at this time.**

**Klicker commended Rich Canciello and Pat Narcisi for the work they are doing on the Quality of Life Committee.**

**ENGINEER'S REPORT: ATTACHED**

**FINANCE:**

Pfeiffer read Treasurer's Report at which time Dilmore explained that some of the money showing in the report is scheduled for June payments, i.e.: the Bond payment. The actual total for the bills is \$79,000.

Pfeiffer moved:

**"To accept the Tax Collector's Report as submitted."**

**CARRIED**

**"To accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted."**

**CARRIED**

**"To accept the List of Bills as submitted."**

**CARRIED**

**SAFETY:**

**NONE**

Narcisi moved:

**"To place a handicap parking sign at #2 California Avenue."  
Evaluation sheet was submitted by Ronald Siner.**

**CARRIED**

**INTER-BORO:**

**Donnally will be attending the next meeting of the Allegheny League of Municipalities on June 20, 2007.**

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**Donnally moved:**

**“To hire Katy Protin of 806 Speer Street, Bell Vernon, Pa. 15012, under the Summer Intern Program at a rate of \$8.00 per hour.”**

**CARRIED**

**Dilmore noted that Katy is going to be a Senior at Cal State University where she is in the Local Government Studies Group and looking forward to seeing a local government process in action.**

**STREETS:**

**Repp stated there was a meeting in Chambers regarding the purchase of a truck. Bellevue Council Person Jane Braunlich was sent to speak to the Streets Committee. She is on the Bellevue Streets Committee and she had some questions regarding a “Shared Services Committee.”**

**Keith was present at the meeting to answer questions regarding the purchase of a truck and questions regarding usage and communication between the Borough Streets Committee.**

**Repp stated that it was pointed out to Jane Braunich that it may be possible to help each other in times of need without a lengthy contract.**

**There is no interest by Avalon Council to share the buildings and contracts between the boroughs.**

**Repp also praised the Street Crew for the work they have been doing to prepare the shelters and pool to prepare for the coming season.**

Repp moved:

**“To permit Northgate/Avalon Elementary School to use the shelter with Avalon Park for their class picnics and waive the shelter fees.”**

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**CARRIED**

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**“To hire Brandon Ryan of 904 Erdner Avenue, Avalon, Pa. to help complete the smoke & dye testing project mandated under the wet weather decree, at a rate of \$8.00 per hour.”**

**CARRIED**

**Donnally questioned the qualifications of Brandon and others hired for this project. Klicher noted that they are supervised by Chester Engineering and the money for the wages comes out of the Wet Weather Fund.**

**Klicker stated that the Borough has to follow the rules and regulations of the Wet Weather Project.**

Repp moved

**“To hire Bill Merriman of 623 Roosevelt Avenue, Bellevue, Pa. to help complete the smoke and dye testing project mandated under the wet weather decree at a rate of \$8.00 per hour.”**

**CARRIED**

**“To hire Steve Zurbach of 128 Sedalia Avenue, Avalon, to work on the Borough Crew under the summer work program at a rate of \$8.50 per hour.”**

**CARRIED**

Repp stated that the contractor for Columbia Gas Company has started to replace the sidewalks in Avalon. Michalow asked about the handicap corners. Dilmore stated this is being done as mandated by law.

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**PROPERTY: NONE**

**HEALTH:**

**Cummins moved:**

**“To have Avalon Borough Council sign a letter of responsibility for the application of financial assistance, in the amount of \$2.1 Million with PENNVEST.”**

**CARRIED**

**“To adopt Resolution #1035, authorizing the secretary to submit five Financial Assistance Applications to the Pennsylvania Intrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST) for the amount of \$2.1 Million Dollars.**

**CARRIED**

**Cummins reported on the quality of water in the area.**

**CORP/PLANNING:**

**Michalow gave an update regarding the letters he sent and received. He received and read a letter from Maggie Grant at the White House and although the address was impressive, there is no financial assistance forthcoming.**

**There will be a Zoning Meeting in the Borough Building on June 11<sup>th</sup>.**

**Michalow spoke about Avalon joining the Tri Boro Joint Planning Commission. He discussed this with Solicitor Canciello who is checking**

into the legal aspects and will advise the committee. The joint committees have to vote and the Solicitors will be in touch.

The first public hearing will be scheduled for July or August.

Chief Howie noted that if the Tri Boro Joint Planning Commission is formed, it will be the first group to do this and will be eligible to receive the Governor's award.

Michalow moved:

“To participate in the QVCOG joint negotiations with Verizon of Pennsylvania. The Cohen Law Group will negotiate at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00.”

Michalow announced that he has several volunteers for Dumpster Day. If anyone else plans to help, please contact him.

There will be a Community Day on May 19 and a free Swimming Pool Pass will be raffled by Avalon Borough.

**LIBRARY:**

Pfeiffer announced there will be a Wine Tasting event on June 5, 2007 at the Avalon Library. The cost is \$25.00 per person.

Solicitor Canciello put together Article VI stating there will be a 3 member board known as the LPB or Library Preservation Board, which will meet once a year to discuss any needs to be addressed. It also states that it will require a unanimous vote by Avalon Council to hire or remove any member from the LPB.

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Report:**

Connie Rankin stated the committee is making progress on the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration plans. The contract will be signed on June 6, 2007. There will be an announcement regarding the meeting date.

**Repp asked Dilmore about the blinds for the Borough Hall windows. Dilmore stated that the cost of the blinds would be \$2,200.00 and there is no budget for this amount.**

**The meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.**

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**Respectfully submitted,  
Harry W. Dilmore  
Manager**

**AVALON BOROUGH  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 19, 2007**

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The meeting opened with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance led by Mayor Dave Haslett at 7:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Cummins, Klicker, Michalow, Narcisi, Pfeiffer, and Repp. Also present were, Harry Dilmore, Solicitor Canciello, Chief Howie, Shawn Rosensteel and Judith Brogan. Absent: Martin, Donnelly, and Sefick.

Executive session was held prior to the Regular Council Meeting.

Pfeiffer:

“To accept the Minutes of May 16, 2007.

**CARRIED**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Dilmore announced there was a letter from the office of Commonwealth Libraries informing Council that the \$16,000 Keystone Grant has been approved and the contracts are being prepared. Funding is for new windows and security camera upgrade at the library. The letter has been forwarded to the Library Committee.
- Letter from the Allegheny County Health Department on a proposed First Amendment to the Administrative Consent Order. The letter has been forwarded to the Engineer.

- Letters of confirmation of low bid acceptance on two (2) CDB Grant projects from QVCOG, the Handicap Ramp project and
- the Duff Alley reconstruction. Letter was forwarded to the Streets Department.
- Letter from Penn Dot informing Avalon Borough of work to commence on Route 65, Ohio River Boulevard this summer on the structure of the bridge on Route 65 at Birmingham Avenue. Letter was forwarded to the Streets Department.
- Received the 2007 Recycling Performance Grant Application. Will discuss on Thursday with the appropriate committee on what a good projects might be put into the grant. Deadline is October 1, 2007.
- Letter from Spillman, Thomas & Battle searching information on fires along the Ohio River from the year 2000 to present. Letter forwarded to Avalon Volunteer Fire Department and the Borough Solicitor.
- Letter from Allegheny County Health Department to Municipal Officials to attend an informational meeting at 3 locations on the EPA Consent Decree and Sewer Overflows.

Narcisi stated he will look into the reasons why Spillman, Thomas and Battle are requesting the information on the fires along the Ohio River.

Michalow announced that the utility companies working in the Borough are tearing up the streets are not putting the handicap sidewalks in as mandated by Federal Law. Dilmore announced that the companies are being notified and the situation is being settled.

## **VISITORS:**

**Patty Lynch of 124 Fisk Avenue. She is filing a complaint about the tenants and owner living at 127 Fisk Avenue. The tenants are disruptive, using fowl language, loud fighting where the police have been called by neighbors. Also her property has been damaged. She also filed a complaint against one of the tenants because he stands naked on the front porch where her children can see him.**

**They have contacted the owner, Bob Buck but he said he has no problems with his tenants. Patty also stated there are no fire escapes on the building. She also said that things did get quiet the last time the police were called but the fear of the neighborhood is that it will start up again since that has been the pattern. Other neighbors have filed complaints anonymously but did not attend the Council Meeting. It was alleged that the neighbors are fearful of repercussions from the owner and/or the tenants. Mr. & Mrs. Lynch have called the owner, Bob Buck several times but he is either not responding or tells them it is none of their business who rents his property.**

**Narcisi stated that the Borough Solicitor, Rich Canciello is in the process of writing an Ordinance for such complaints. This Ordinance will address their complaints as well as the complaints of other residents of Avalon. It was noted that there is a State law which governs nudity in public and the police should be notified of such occurrences'.**

**Dilmore noted that the Quality of Life Committee is working on this with the Solicitor and residents are urged to attend the Quality of Life Committee meetings.**

**Klicker stated that the Ordinance will also apply to Landlord responsibility.**

**Visitor:**

Robert Lynch of 124 Fisk Street spoke and asked what protection the residents will have from the repercussions of their neighbors. Chief Howie told them to call 911 if there are any emergencies. Klicker commended the residents for following through by filing a complaint against the troublesome neighbors and attending the hearing with Magistrate.

Klicker asked if there were any constants regarding the tenants. Chief Howie and Mr. Dilmore stated there is not and there have been many tenants living in those apartments over the years. Klicker noted that the landlord should be responsible for doing a background check before issuing a lease.

**VISITOR:**

Amy Hathaway spoke and said she has called the police because of the neighbors. There have been fights, gunfire and her house was burglarized after her complaints. The investigation for that burglary is on-going.

Ed Klicker again urged the residents to attend the Quality of Life meetings to help the Committee with recommendations and plans for the future safety of the community.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Haslett announced that the Safety Committee met with the Police Organization and they are going to schedule regular meetings.

He was pleased to announce that his first wedding went well and the couple was pleased with the ceremony.

He thanked everyone for their help during the explosion and fire that afternoon. Lois Cummins also complimented the police, firemen and the community in general for their good work during and after the fire.

Three occupants were taken to the hospital for treatment but there were no fatalities.

Allegheny County Representative, Matthew Drzod, spoke about the assessments for the county. He feels the 2002 Assessments put a burden on the Boroughs and Municipalities and he is in the process of trying to change the decision to use that basis for the current Assessments for the county.

#### **SECY/MGR'S REPORT:**

- The 2006 Liquid Fuels Audit has been completed by the Auditor General's office. The exit conference was completed on June 14, 2007 and no findings were reported.
- Clearances have been obtained for the summer lunch program which started today, Wednesday, June 19, 2007. Carnegie Science Center will provide four (4) traveling workshops over the summer for the children. The time and dates will be posted in the Citizen.
- Completed work with Representative Tom Petrone's office on a grant to finish off work at the new pavilion in Avalon Park. The grant of \$5,000.00 will finish final touches to make a complete facility.
- Received insurance papers from Northwest EMS to complete the paperwork to allow training of River Rescue personnel in Avalon Pool after hours.
- Avalon has not updated the Flood Plan Ordinance since 1985. A number of changes have been made. Will work with Engineer to update and change Ordinance.

**SOLICITOR:**

Canciello stated that although he is not saying that the Borough should have an Ordinance addressing where sex offenders may live in the Borough, he is suggesting that the Council think about it and be aware that the County is also addressing this issue.

Klicker commended Rich Canciello and Pat Narcisi for the work they are doing on the Quality of Life Committee.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT: ATTACHED**

Klicker asked if the Borough would have any trouble with the government if work is not completed on time. Shawn Rosensteel assured the Council that because they are within a reasonable time frame, there would be not repercussions or fines.

Chester Engineering Company is recommending that Avalon Borough accept the bid on the Duff Alley Project of \$16,274.75 and award the contract to Peter J. Caruso & Sons.

Chester Engineering Company also recommends that Avalon Borough accept the bid from Joseph Palmeri Construction in the amount of \$12,525.00 for the Handicap Ramp Project.

**FINANCE:**

Pfeiffer moved:

“To accept the Tax Collector’s report as submitted.”

**CARRIED**

“To accept the Treasurer’s report as submitted.”

**CARRIED**

**Dilmore noted that the two Fire Escrow accounts have been closed out and the money with interest has been returned to the homeowners.**

**“To pay the List of Bills as submitted.”**

**CARRIED**

**Dilmore answered questions regarding the purchase of the truck for the Streets Department. The quote for the truck is \$65,000.00 and the color will be school bus yellow. The paper work for the loan is in process with the interest being 2.25% as opposed to 6% to 7% interest at the banks. He will go to the AIM board meeting to make the presentation requesting the money for the truck.**

**SAFETY:**

**Narcisi announced that the merger for the safety committees would include Avalon, Bellevue, Ben Avon, Emsworth and Kilbuck Townships.**

**The Civil Service Applications have been sent and the Borough is waiting for the results.**

**Narcisi stated that he was going to make to following motion with sadness and hesitation.**

**Narcisi moved:**

**“To accept the resignation of Richard Kadlecik from the Avalon Police Department effective June 29, 2007.”**

**CARRIED**

Lois Cummins commented on Richard's service to the Borough, making reference to the sometimes unpleasant duties he took on without question or objection. Richard was not present at this time but is scheduled to arrive later to receive his award and commendation.

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**INTER-BORO:**

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Cummins moved:

**"To accept CD 33.77 Handicap Ramp Project under the direction of the QVCOG in the amount of \$12,525.00 to contractor, Joseph Palmier Construction."**

**CARRIED**

**"To accept CDD-33.77 Duff Alley Reconstruction under the direction of the CVCOG in the amount of \$16,274.75 to Peter J. Caruso & Sons."**

**CARRIED**

**"To place an ad in the 2007 Northgate Flames Football Program. The cost not to exceed \$45.00."**

**CARRIED**

**"To extend a contract to the North Boros Panthers for the 2007 Football Season."**

Mayor Haslett suggested that the field be rented in the same way that the shelters are rented. He noted that this problem has been discussed too many times and nothing has been settled. He suggests that the Council think about this for future meetings.

Klicker stated that there was a paragraph added to the present contract with the Panthers and this change would be included in all future contracts. This change includes language abuse, alcohol use, damage done to field and receipts when payment or refunds are requested.

Richard Kadlecik arrived and Lois read and presented him with the award and commendation. Klicker stated how the Borough and residents of Avalon will miss Richard.

Richard stated how much he has enjoyed his job with the Borough of Avalon but this is an opportunity he feels he has to take at this time.

Michalow stated that Dumpster Day was a success. He also wants to thank Dave Meyer for doing a good job on the floor.

Michalow moved:

“To appoint Ed Klicker to the Avalon, Bellevue and Ben Avon Zoning Review Board to replace Dave Martin.”

The reason for this change is because Martin’s work requires him to travel frequently and he is often unable to attend the meetings.

**CARRIED**

**CORP/PLANNING:**

Michalow stated the next meeting is on July 9<sup>th</sup>. The notice will be put in the Citizen.

**PARKS/RECREATION:**

**NONE**

**LIBRARY:**

Pfeiffer announced the resignation of the librarian, Sue McCellan. They are accepting recommendations of interested parties for this position.

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~~Pfeiffer recommended appointing Lois Cummins to chair the Property Committee due to Dave Martin's work commitments.~~

**PROPERTY: NONE**

**HEALTH: NONE**

**STREETS:**

Repp moved:

“To make payroll correction for summer help, Steve Zurbach, from \$8.75 per hour to \$9.00 per hour.”

Dilmore explained that Steve qualified for this increase due to the years he has been employed by the Borough.

**CARRIED**

“To accept the resignation of Brandon Ryan on the Wet Weather Smoke and Dye Testing.”

**CARRIED**

“To hire Kassandra Lorey of 208 N. Balph Avenue, Bellevue, Pa to complete the Wet Weather, Smoke and Dye Testing at the rate of \$8.00 per hour.”

**CARRIED**

Repp reported that members of the Bellevue Council sat in on the meeting with Keith Lorey and the Streets Committee.

In question is what can be done with the sharing of equipment and manpower especially in emergencies.

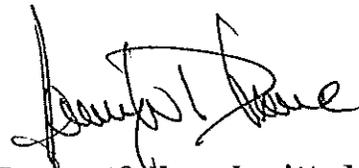
Repp voiced concerns regarding the removal of taxable units on Ohio River Boulevard between Elizabeth Avenue and Prospect Street. The empty fields are overgrown and Penn Dot is doing nothing to maintain the property and they are not paying taxes. Council agreed that Penn Dot should be responsible for this property.

Klicker noted that PennDot is also responsible for the completion of the Birmingham Avenue Bridge which is still in need of repair.

July 4<sup>th</sup> Report:

Connie Rankin asked for volunteers for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. The Rhythm Shakers will be performing and shuttle buses will be provided.

The meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.



Respectfully submitted,  
Harry W. Dilmore  
Manager