

**AVALON BOROUGH
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
March 17, 2015**

Klicker opened the meeting at 7:35 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Cortese, Donnelly, Klicker, Lloyd, Narcisi, Nelson, Pascale. Also present: Solicitor Ott, Engineer Scally, Chief Kokoski, Dilmore and Makatura. Absent: Neal, Vetterly, Mayor Haslett, Tax Collector Klicker.

Nelson moved:

“To accept the Minutes of the Avalon Borough Council Meeting of February 17, 2015.”

Donnelly 2nd

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

- **Duquesne Light will be changing meters in the Borough to digital meters over the next month.**
- **Pennsylvania Boroughs Association is accepting nominations for Outstanding Council Member of the Year. Nominations must be from a fellow council member.**
- **Letter from workers comp regarding procedures for cellphone and wireless device use policy.**
- **Received paperwork from Allegheny County regarding the summer lunch program.**

Pascale moved:

“To accept the Treasurer’s Report as submitted for March 17, 2015.”

Donnelly 2nd

CARRIED

“To accept the Tax Collector’s Report as submitted for March 17, 2015.”

Donnelly 2nd

CARRIED

“To accept the List of Bills as submitted for March 17, 2015, in the amount of \$196,028.66.”

Donnelly 2nd

CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

**Ed Repp
826 Florence Avenue**

Concerned about the conditions of the 800 block of Florence Avenue. Couch and garbage has been on the curb for four months, hope to see this gone as soon as possible. The parking issues have increased. It has been discussed with the Chief and he has a problem with enforcement of parking on the wrong side of the street where no parking is allowed. In 36 years of temporary parking on the wrong side of the street with a driver and keys readily available to move the vehicle to now be met with ticketing is unfair. With the holiday approaching, it should be a consideration of council to advertise this as well as the upcoming street sweeping season to notify residents of this enforcement. Also, the front lawn parking issue is becoming a problem with sidewalks being blocked, parking multiple cars and curb jumping to park additional vehicles outside the established parking pad. The Chief also has an enforcement issue on this problem. Visual issues with sidewalk safety at this address as well. Also parallel parking 3 feet away from the curb.

**Jackie Yurkovich
Grandview Avenue**

Questioned about an ordinance on the books regarding car and truck repair on the streets all hours of the night. Problem in the neighborhood that this is being done regularly, especially on

Fridays from 7-9:30 pm. Needs addressed. Request occupancy to be reviewed at this address.

MAYOR:

- **No Report**

SECRETARY/MANAGER:

- **Auditors completed the 2014 audit today, draft to be submitted shortly.**
- **Motions to advertise for sidewalk repair bids. This will permit multiple homeowners to obtain better pricing for repairs.**
- **Working with Engineer on the MS4 and various projects around the Borough.**
- **Easter Egg Hunt to be Saturday, March 28, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm**
- **Obtained information from PLGIT to accept credit card payments on line and at the counter.**
- **SRIC Meeting for Lower Ohio Girtys Run coming up next week.**
- **Teamster meeting scheduled for March 25.**

ENGINEER: Report submitted.

- **MS4 update – map prepared from the outfalls that were identified through a GPS location and placed on a digital map.**
- **CD40 House Demolitions and asbestos abatement on 305 Marie Avenue. QVCOG awaiting final contract advertisements.**
- **Semi annual report submitted regarding the Consent Order which will expire 3/31/15. CCTV work required on Ohio River Blvd still remains, buried manholes to identify. Extension is required by 40% of the communities due to additional requirements from the EPA and ALCOSAN changes.**

- **Costs being investigated for an open cut at the Florence Avenue sewage problem. Bids are being accepted for a 2 foot cut below grade as a start to investigate the problem.**
- **Avalon Park damaged pipe now has a second sinkhole closer to the head wall. The repair completed before the winter season has held up throughout the winter.**
- **Drainage issue in the alley between Ohio/Harrison also remains on the list for further investigation in to the laterals.**

SOLICITOR:

Significant Right to Know Law changes regarding public officials and employees may have data on personal cell phones, tablets and email accounts may be subject to Right to Know requests. Has the Borough adopted the State retention schedules.

FINANCE:

List of bills included several MMO payments.

SAFETY:

Narcisi moved:

“To accept the resignation of Sean Kirley from the Avalon Police Department, effective March 10, 2015.”

Lloyd 2nd

CARRIED

“To have the Secretary advertise the purchase of an aerial fire apparatus. Bid packages may be obtained at the Borough Administration Office for \$30.00.”

Donnelly 2nd

CARRIED

“To approve the placement of a handicap parking spot at or in the vicinity of 844 Jackman Avenue.”

Donnelly 2nd

CARRIED

STREETS:

Cortese moved:

“To have the Secretary advertise for contracted bids for sidewalk repairs for residents of Avalon.”

Lloyd 2nd

CARRIED

PARKS/RECREATION:

Cortese moved:

“To appoint Tom Lloyd as a voting delegate at the Pennsylvania State Association convention to be held in April.”

Donnelly 2nd

CARRIED

“To have the Parks Committee hire the Pool employees for the 2015 swimming season.”

Donnelly 2nd

CARRIED

LIBRARY:

Lloyd moved:

“To appoint Lorrie Maierhofer to the Library Board.”

Cortese 2nd

CARRIED

Reminder regarding April 1 will start the street cleaning season and tickets will be issued. The allows not only our street crews to accomplish work as well as other utility companies that know our schedule.

INTER-GOVERNMENTAL:

- **QVCOG Managers meeting will be held Wednesday, March 18, Bellevue Borough.**
- **DCNR – Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Cortese and Lloyd previously met with Kathy Frankl regarding the grants and the extensive waiting lists.**

4th of July

Bid received for fireworks. Meeting needed to finalize details.

Cortese moved to adjourn at 8:15pm.

Lloyd 2nd

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted

**Harry W. Dilmore
Manager**