

The Regular Monthly Meeting of Dupont Borough Council was called to order at 7:00pm on Tuesday evening, April 10, 2018 by Vice President of Council, Mark Kowalczyk.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Mr. Knick – Excused

Mr. Kowalczyk - Present

Mr. Kaminski – Present

Mrs. Hansen – Present

Mr. Karkut – Present

Mayor Lello – Present

The meeting secretary was absent, the meeting was recorded, with Vice President calling for roll call. The secretary arrived late and was on hand, but the meeting continued with Vice President calling for roll call.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 13, 2018 REGULAR MEETING AND PLACE ON FILE.

Motion: Mrs. Hansen

Second: Mr. Kaminski

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CORRESPONDENCE PRESENTED

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILLS FOR PAYMENT (Mr. Kowalczyk noted two bills to be added: Logan Transport - \$ 391.00, mud flap on packer ; Valero Fuel: \$1589.29 fuel at Petro

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, no, because she has a lot of questions and knows Mr. Kowalczyk may not be able to answer, there are several; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 3/1.

MOTION TO APPOINT THE PART TIME POLICE OFFICERS FROM APRIL 10, 2018 TO THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL WITH NO GUARANTEE OF WORK: Duane Saunders, Jennifer Polemitis, John Urbanski, Todd Houghtlin, Thomas Sheehan, Christopher Fargione, Arnulfo Rivera, and Thomas Rushnak.
New Hire: Robert Avvisato.

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mrs. Hansen questioned Anthony DeMark, Mr. Kowalczyk noted he declined position.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report - Mr. Kowalczyk read the report for March submitted by Albert B. Melone, Business Consultants.

General Fund - \$ 21,889.55

Payroll Fund - \$ 5,763.75

Refuse Fund - \$65,332.45

Sewer Maintenance Fund - \$403,334.30

Liquid Fuels - \$103,597.87

Police Pension Fund - \$ 918,159.14

Childrens Fund - \$ 1,034.93

Town Clock - \$34,468.71

Centennial Fund - \$ 5,181.97

Special Fund - \$ 202,538.90

Loan for School - \$ 217,300.91

Tax Collector's Report:

Total Cash Collected \$83,817.57

Mayor's Report: None at this time.

Police Report: Chief Doran read the statistical report for March 2018 as follows: Criminal arrests-2; Traffic Citations Issued-64; Appearances in County Court-9; Motor Vehicle Accidents-7; Assit EMS-5; Assist Fire Department-2; Assist Other Police Departments-7; Alarms-5; Burglaries-1; Thefts-6; Vandalism-6; Domestic Reports-6; Suspicious Activity-4; Miscellaneous Calls-23. Mileage: Explorer-7,026; Taurus-47,682; Crown Vic-123,011. Magistrate Fines - \$ 4,487.36.

Solicitor's Report: Nothing.

Engineer's Report: Bob Naegele reported on the following: (1) MS4 Program (2) Flood Channel Rehabilitation project. Generally working on support documents for grants and road paving projects.

Code Enforcement Report: Martha reported the following: 26 overdue refuse accounts sent to the magistrate. Officer Besecker filed those citations. Balances on accounts: overdue refuse includes properties for tax sale and foreclosure or tax sale is 48—total \$9229.00. Sewer bills mailed. Deposits as of March 13 to April 9th are Refuse \$5,052.00 and Sewer \$1,503.50. Mr. Kowalczyk apologized not knowing whether a report was prepared based on recent events and thanked Martha for the report.

Crime Watch Report: Bob Price noted there was a well attended meeting last month with new members. Next meeting is April 24th and it will be a quick business meeting followed by a visit to the Greater Pittston Ambulance Association Medic 29 to show us what they do for the area and some of the new equipment they recently received. Meetings are welcome and open to everybody. The more that join facebook and more public involvement the safer we will be.

Vice President's Report: Mr. Kowalczyk reported 29.5 tons recycling and 47.28 tons trash for March. Mileage: Packer-51,870; Recycler-16,803; C3500-56,732; F550-15,383; Mack-2,050. (1) TSE is beginning paving on Lidy Road Wednesday April 11th and plan on being done Friday April 13th including Walnut Street. That is there schedule as of now depending on the weather. We asked that the millings

be put on Grove Street, on the empty lot just to help us out with the asphalt deteriorating if needed. (2) PennDOT was contacted to repair the potholes on Main Street in the 500-600 block by the Railroad tracks. Patty was on the phone with them trying to get them over there because it was deteriorating really bad (3) The Railroad Crossing by Andys in the 600 Block of Main will be closed from April 30 to May 4th. They will be replacing the crossing. He understands they will be replaced with concrete crossing, the better ones so expect that to be closed for one week. (4) Recently there were certified letters sent to residents living near the Turnpike and 81. Basically at the top of Hillside, Elm, Penn Avenue and that section, the last block. We don't know the facts of what is going on there yet. Basically it was a certified letter, stating, if anybody has read the papers, that they want to make a direct access from 81 to the Turnpike and visa versa both north and southbound. Mr. Kowalczyk added some properties might be disturbed up there but we do not know the extent. We probably have as many questions as the residents, if not more. They will be scheduling a meeting with the officials from Pittston Township and Dupont within the next couple weeks. By May's meeting we will have complete answers for what is going to happen up there, the exact plans. As of this meeting we do not have any more questions answered than the residents do. Mr. Ziobro asked if the cemetery is affected. Mr. Kowalczyk stated we don't know any more than the residents do until this meeting. The meeting should be set within two weeks. We don't have a date set yet. To answer any questions now, we would just be guessing. But at the May meeting we will have some definite answers. It is upsetting to us too that they sent out all these certified letters out without at least notifying us of some information of what is going to be involved up there, other than a letter stating they want to set up a meeting with us. It has been talked about over the last ten years, I heard rumors about it but nothing was set in stone. Now that these letters were sent out it caused an uproar and we had nothing to do with it or have any information to specify what is going to happen. Next meeting we will. Mr. Ziobro stated ten years ago he heard they were going to take half of Gill Street that whole section up there. Mr. Kowalczyk stated it is up in the air until they show us the engineer drawings and that will happen at some point this point. We will have something prepared for next meeting.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORTS AS PRESENTED.

Motion: Mrs. Hansen

Second: Mr. Kaminski

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE \$2000 DONATION TO THE DYBO FOR RENOVATIONS AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE CONCESSION STAND DAMAGED BY BUSTED WATER PIPE

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF MARTHA DORAN AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY/OPEN RECORDS OFFICER EFFECTIVE APRIL 13, 2018.

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mrs. Hansen

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO APPOINT OPEN RECORDS OFFICER: Mrs. Hansen noted we need one and Patty is the only one in the office so it will have to be her. She is the only one that works in the office so it has to be her as interim or temporary. **MOTION TO APPOINT PATRICIA MCDONALD AS TEMPORARY OPEN RECORDS OFFICER.**

Motion: Mrs. Hansen

Second: Mr. Kaminski

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF BOB PANEK, DPW, CDL DRIVER /LABORER.

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO HIRE JERRY STEFANOWICZ FOR DPW DRIVER/LABORER SEASONAL HELP OR AS NEEDED.

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION APPROVING THE RESOLUTION FOR THE DCNR GRANT APPLICATION FOR PLAYGROUND MULCH AND ADA EQUIPMENT \$19,073.00

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO REPAY \$25,000 FROM TAXES REVENUE TO THE SEWER MAINTENANCE FUND FOR THE TAN NOTE LEAVING A BALANCE OF \$30,000

Motion: Mrs. Hansen

Second: Mr. Kaminski

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO APPROVE ESTIMATE OF \$1655 FOR MATERIALS FOR THE PENN AVENUE DRAIN PROJECT (does not include blacktop) Mr. Kowalczyk explained this is the project he brought up last month at the bottom of Penn Avenue that he spoke to Bob about. What is included is 15" ADS Pipe 40 feet; 3 ft. deep 2 x 4 drain culvert with steel grate, modified 2A stone for laying the base for this pipe and for covering it, and rental for heavy compaction equipment. We have a plate wacker but that will not compact a three foot deep trench that would settle over time. I included all those materials, I did not include blacktop to seal off that trench. It will be on the side of the road. It won't be an emergency but it will have to be done within a short time. Bob added bring it up to grade with modified and then a month later Mr. Kowalczyk stated blacktop would be done, probably in the summer months. Bob noted it is not in a travel lane. It is closer to the curb. It has to line up with the drain. Mr. Kaminski suggested

instead of a standard grate, put a directional grate in where it is vented up the hill so that the water can go directly in there is no cross members, or where garbage can get stuck on. They have them at central clay. Mr. Kowalczyk stated we can discuss that before the project starts. This is basically an estimate of the costs for the materials for that project. Mr. Kowalczyk was surprised the grate was as much as the culvert – the grate was \$400 the culvert was \$300.

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mrs. Hansen

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO ISSUE THE 2018 SEWER BILLS IN APRIL WITH A DUE DATE OF JUNE 30, 2018.

Motion: Mr. Karkut

Second: Mr. Kaminski

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO APPROVE \$100 DONATION TO THE AVOCA/DUPONT LITTLE LEAGUE FOR THE 2018 SEASON

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mrs. Hansen

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION APPROVING PAYMENT FOR THOSE REGISTERING FOR THE MAY 24 TRAINING SESSION IN WB AT THE HILTON GARDEN INN FOR PSAB OPEN RECORDS AND ETHICS LAW (9-4) \$50.00 PER PERSON

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mrs. Hansen

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

Those registered or attending include: Mrs. Hansen, Mr. Karkut,

MOTION TO PREPARE BID SPECS FOR THE LSA GAMING GRANT AWARD FOR THE BOROUGH BUILDING REMODELING PROJECT

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION APPROVING C-N-A SUBMIT A MINI GRANT FOR INFORMATION KIOSK TOWARD THE MS4 PROGRAM

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO APPROVE CINTAS PROPOSALS FOR THE FOLLOWING OR TABLE FOR LATER DATE:

Mats, First Aid and Eye Wash Station, Uniforms . Mr. Kowalczyk stated basically Cintas gave a proposal for safety gear for the employees, safety stations, eye wash station, first aid, uniforms for up at the garage. Mr. Kowalczyk noted before the motion he would like everyone to review the specs. It seemed very fair to him from what he saw. Mrs. Hansen questioned uniforms shirt and pants or safety uniforms. Mr. Kowalczyk noted safety uniforms, the shirts that have the safety reflective stripes. Cost wise it seemed fair, but it needs to be reviewed before voted on.

MOTION TO APPROVE BID SPECS BE PREPARED BY C-N-A FOR THE REMAINING \$56,000+ GAMING GRANT MONIES FOR SIDEWALKS AND CULVERTS GRANT EXTENDED TO DECEMBER 31, 2018

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION APPROVING RESOLUTION FOR SUBMITTAL OF MULTIMODAL GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Walnut Street Bridge replacement project. C-N-A to provide cost estimate and basis of grant application will be the Proposed Construction of 36 unit three story senior housing complex.

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

MOTION TO OPEN THE ONLY BID RECEIVED FOR MAIN STREET SIDEWALK PROJECT AND IF IT FALLS WITHIN THE BIDDING THRESHOLDS AWARD BID. NOTE: THREE CONTRACTORS WERE CONTACTED, AND TWO DECLINED THE BID, BUT DID NOT PROVIDE A WRITTEN NOTICE.

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

Bid Received from Balchune Construction – Brandon Balchune – Total base bid \$2995.00. Borough Engineer Bob Naegele noted due to the bidding threshold being 10,200 we can accept the single bid.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT BASED ON REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE BOROUGH ENGINEER FOR THE SIDEWALK REPAIR ON MAIN STREET BY RAILROAD TRACKS

Motion: Mr. Kaminski

Second: Mr. Karkut

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Knick, Excused; Mr. Kowalczyk, yes; Mr. Kaminski, yes; Mrs. Hansen, yes; Mr. Karkut, yes. Motion Carried 4/0.

Matters from Audience:

Lou Posly, Lidy Road - Same question, is there any more information about the Liquor License. Mr. Dingle stated no. Mr. Posly commented that he spoke with a number of truck drivers who think a liquor license is a crazy idea for the truck stop. You can just imagine marijuana is available anywhere in this country now no matter where you go. So if you have a buzzed truck driver who is also drunk, it could be

a catastrophe. Mr. Posly gave Mr. Kowalczyk information from the internet that shows how much speed is needed for a truck to stop. It is a great distance. So again, he is wondering if the solicitor looked into any sort of laws that regulate this. Mr. Dingle stated no. Mr. Posly stated he knows the solicitor is saying well I don't know what they are going to say. Mr. Dingle stated he is not wasting the board's time, Dupont Borough's money, or his own time. He is waiting to see what the Board is going to do. He will say that he has had contact with the Board ten times already and their attitude to date is there is no legal reason not to give them this license, they already have a beer license. Because the people in Dupont don't want it? That is up to the Board. Mr. Posly repeated the solicitor's comment they already have a beer license. It was noted they do not sell beer now. Mr. Dingle stated he is not answering another question until he gets a decision. I am not wasting my time. I don't know what they are going to do. Mr. Posly stated it is not a waste of time for people of Dupont to have some knowledge of what you are doing. Mr. Dingle said he is doing nothing until he gets their decision. If you don't like that answer that is ok. He is not doing a thing until he gets a decision. Mr. Posly said a solicitor would look at this ... Mr. Dingle, then get a new one. I don't care. I am not going to waste time until he gets a decision. He told Mr. Posly to call the office every week to see if there is a decision. If there is, he would be glad to tell him. There is no decision. So come next month and ask if there is a decision. Mr. Posly asked on who's part. Mr. Dingle stated the Board has to approve it or not approve it. They reviewed it. Mr. Posly asked so you are saying they have an application into the Board for a license. Mr. Dingle stated yes, for a transfer, where have you been. Mr. Posly stated you haven't told us that. Mr. Dingle stated we have all been here. Were you at any of the meetings. We had two meetings where they presented, where we said we were not approving any transfer. Now it goes up to the LCB to review it. They are doing it. I have no control over them. Mr. Posly said I didn't say you do. Mr. Dingle said that is the end of my story.

Mr. Ziobro, Hill Street – Are they going to open the road up by the Airport while Lidy's Road is closed. Mr. Kowalczyk stated yes it will be open at the end of the road while the construction is going on. Mr. Kaminski stated it has been open all week. Mr. Kowalczyk stated it has been open all week and will remain open especially during the paving project.

Mr. Hansen, Ivy Lane – For the record he would like to say that he feels the solicitor is out of line. Mr. Dingle said good. Mr. Dingle said do not point it is rude. Mr. Hansen said rude, too late for that. Mr. Hansen said he works for the board. The board works and represent the citizens. He does not appreciate his attitude when it comes to talking to the citizens of this town. It is ridiculous. It is infuriating.

Mrs. Warunek commented addressing Richard that he said it as plain as day. The LCB has the information when they make a decision the solicitor will know, then we will all know. It is out of our hands. Mr. Hansen stated he needs to be a little more respectful. Mrs. Warunek stated she feels he was. I think it is plain English. Mr. Hansen stated that is his point. It is disrespectful. These citizens come out here to get answers to questions and he is being disrespectful. Mr. Kowalczyk responded he appreciates your opinion but it is the same answer as it was last month. Mr. Hansen stated he gets it but be respectful about it. Be respectful, answer the questions, it doesn't cost anything to be respectful. That is all I am saying.

Mr. Ziobro, Hill Street - If the LCB says yes, can we appeal it. Mr. Dingle stated it is his understanding that we can appeal that. Mr. Kowalczyk stated anything can be appealed in the country until it gets to the Supreme Court, after that where else do you go. Regardless it is a waiting game. It is frustrating for everybody because I don't think there is a person on this board that is for it, based on my conversations

with other council and the Mayor, we don't like it either, but state trumps over town. If we don't like their decision than we can go to them and appeal that just as they are. So unfortunately it is a waiting game and there is nothing that anybody at this table can do at this point. That is the unfortunate part of it.

Matters from Council and Mayor.

Mr. Kaminski – Nothing.

Mr. Karkut – Nothing.

Mrs. Hansen - The only thing that I have, and that it is on record, that anything that has to do with the Quail Hill lawsuit not be put in her books or her mailbox. She very much appreciates it that it would not be put in there.

Mayor Lello – (1) Utilized the field that was cleaned up two weeks ago with Mr. Kowalczyk's help. There were 500 kids that we served at the Easter Egg Hunt. Of course they are not all from Dupont, but that doesn't matter. There were 500 kids. We already got the stuff for next year. (2) Also they had 100 children sign up for the little league this year. That is great. The field is being utilized so he is happy to help the children out doing sports, having parents there. (3) There are 41 Veteran banners in process of getting delivered that will be put up this year (4) There are 100 new flags purchased through the VFW that will be put up this year on the poles. The town is looking more festive, more things going on in town in a positive note. We will continue to do this as much as possible with the council approval, the people's approval. We always need more help. If we have time to clean up the road from the pilot on down and get people together to do that.

Mr. Kowalczyk addressing Mayor Lello about the equipment purchase for the park. Mayor Lello explained the Lions Club has purchased a parent/child swing set that cost \$2100 for the park. The swing set over there now is in bad shape and needs to be removed. Also the Lions Club is funded a new roof project on the pavilion.

Mr. Ziobro, Hill Street - The millings from the water company project and you are going to put them on Grove Street. Mr. Kowalczyk noted he does not have verification that it is going to be done, but it was requested. It would make sense for them to do it since they are right there. Mr. Ziobro asked if we are using any of the millings to repair the potholes in town or are we going to put it on their private property. Mr. Kowalczyk explained we asked the contractor to put the millings on Grove Street because we have had cars that had severe damage done to them, not only because the side of the road has washed out dramatically where a car went off the side of the road and bottomed out and had to be towed. There was also one that lost an axle or something in the center of the road in a large hole. That is an ongoing project up there that we have to look into that in the near future. Unfortunately most of that traffic is truck traffic and serves the petro, but we own it. We are responsible for it, whether we like it or not. One thing with millings is it is not going to hold. Mr. Kaminski added it is not blacktop. Mr. Kowalczyk stated millings are not going to hold. We are trying to work with cold patch, but the weather has not cooperated this spring. But in the upcoming weeks we are going to start patching the potholes with a more permanent solution rather than just adding millings that will wash out or be spread all over the road. Mr. Ziobro stated that did not really answer his question. Are we going to use it solely on Grove Street, the road or are we also going to take care of the entrance to the truck stop which is not the road. Mr. Kaminski stated just the road. The entrance way is private property. Mr. Kaminski stated it is going to be a straight line from Lidy to Grove straight through. Mr. Kowalczyk stated where you turn in where signs say cars to the left, trucks to the right that begins their property

at that point. Everything from the airport road straight to Lidy Road is our property. Mr. Ziobro asked how much of that property is in Avoca. Mr. Kowalczyk stated not much from his understanding, he does not have exact footage, but it is basically at the bottom side at the very entrance from the highway. Mr. Kaminski stated right when you make the turn, right in there somewhere. Mr. Posly asked if that is 315. Mr. Kaminski stated 2059. Mr. Kowalczyk stated 315 goes to the Avoca Bridge. Mr. Ziobro stated that is Rte. 11. Mr. Kowalczyk stated from Avoca Bridge into Dupont is 315. The signs make a left that goes to Bridge and ends. The airport road which everybody considers 315 is a different number road. Mr. Ziobro suggested gps be told that. Mr. Kowalczyk said it is a big confusion but according to Penn DOT that is not 315. That is actually 2059. Mr. Posly stated that entrance to the airport road is a wide entrance are we responsible for that entrance. That is usually for trucks. Mr. Kaminski stated the state right of way is 25 feet in. The wide entrance is for tractor trailers. Twenty five feet in is state. It is made that wide because state specs 12 foot lane, 4 or 8 foot shoulder. Mr. Posly said it narrows going around the turn. Mr. Kaminski stated where it narrows it is Dupont. That is where it is two 11 foot lanes and a 4 foot shoulder. Mr. Ziobro stated we are obligated to take care of what is in Avoca. We have that easement. Mr. Kaminski stated right where they stopped paving for the roundabouts we are pretty much liable from there up. They went in a little farther than the 25 feet because it was bad so they went back as far as they good to get good blacktop and that is where they stopped. Mr. Kowalczyk stated it stinks for us because we are responsible for that and we know it is deteriorating, the road. How it was set up years ago we cannot change that now but we are responsible and it is in really bad shape. We need to look for a permanent solution up there, a long term solution anyway. In the coming months that is going to have to be taken care of one way or another.

Mr. Posly, Lidy Road – What is the truck stop taxes. Mr. Kaminski stated somewhere around \$7,000. Mr. Posly stated so that is an amount to consider for paving that road. Mr. Kaminski stated the last patch there was \$14,000 for the entrance. We dug it out 20 x 60 feet and paved it. Mr. Posly asked if that is where the holes are now. Mr. Kaminski stated the holes are all around it now. Mr. Posly stated it needs engineering then. Mr. Kaminski stated it needs concrete because there are too many trucks going in there. We did a quick patch using blacktop just to buy us some time. That bought us three years. Trying to save money. But now we are going to have to use concrete with that amount of traffic going in. If you go up to the Pilot, same problem. It is not only here, its at Pilot too. Mr. Posly stated so you need something that can withstand the heavy trucks. Mr. Kaminski agreed, that is concrete. The borough guys cannot do it. It will have to go out for bids. It could be \$100,000 or more. Mr. Ziobro said it was never designed for a truck stop. But before you spend \$100,000 up there, there are a lot more roads in this town that need to be done. Mr. Kowalczyk stated we can spend \$20,000 but that is \$20,000 wasted because it is not going to last. We have to look into seriously how we are going to fix the road. Mr. Kaminski stated a longtime one time expense. Do it right the first time and you are done. Mr. Posly stated I don't know about that because of all the heavy weight going over it. That is an enormous amount. Mr. Kaminski stated we cannot stop the trucks. Concrete is the way to do it. Most of the truck stops all their entrances are concrete. Concrete going in, then once past the turn they have blacktop. Mr. Posly suggested reinforced concrete. Mr. Kaminski agreed, mesh is put in, not the wires. It is just as good. Mr. Kaminski worked on truck stops and that is what was put in there.

Mr. Kowalczyk noted that in 2014, to pave Gill Street, mill and pave was \$84,000. A project like that Mr. Kaminski estimated \$100,000 we have to look for funding through some kind of source. It is not something we are going to pull off Dupont taxpayers to pave a road for petro. We have to find a source and I know Patty and Stash discussed it and there are a couple organizations within the state that may help us with funding, but we are only in the preliminary stages for that to mention specifics. We are working on other roads and applying for grants. We know there are other roads in town to be paved

and we are working for the residents first. But they are all our responsibility so we have to look at everything and the best solution for it.

Mr. Posly stated again, grants are taxpayer money. Mr. Kowalczyk noted everybody in the states taxpayer money not just 2700 Dupont residents. Mr. Posly stated the politicians make it seem like someone is giving us the money, but it is not. Mr. Kowalczyk said it is either coming to us or someone else because that is money that is allocated for grants and he would rather see it come to us. Mr. Posly understands and agrees with that but the terminology is what is important. Mr. Kowalczyk said he understands and it is money well spent no matter where it is spent regardless of where we are applying it.

Motion to Adjourn.

Motion: Mrs. Hansen Second: Mr. Kaminski Unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Adopted and Approved this ___ - day of

Patricia McDonald
Secretary

Mark Kowalczyk
Council Vice President

Transcribed from tape recording