

East Stroudsburg Borough, July 6, 2010

A regular meeting of the East Stroudsburg Borough Council was held at the Municipal Building on Tuesday July 6, 2010. The following members were in attendance: Victor Brozusky; Roger DeLarco; Ed Henning; William Reese; Donald Repsher and Sonia Wolbert. Also attending were: Mayor Armand M. Martinelli; Manager James S. Phillips; Solicitor David J. Williamson of Scanlon Lewis & Williamson; Engineering Representative Samuel D'Alessandro of R.K.R. Hess Associates, Inc.; Codes Officer John E. Blick; and several residents in the audience.

Call To Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. DeLarco called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. Kevin Shirer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of June 15, 2010 Special Council Meeting

Mr. Brozusky made a motion, section be Mr. Repsher to approve the minutes of the special Council meeting held Tuesday June 15, 2010 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments – Agenda Items

None

86 Walnut Street

Ralph Bush of 82 Walnut Street said the Regional Police Department executed a search warrant at 86 Walnut Street last week and arrested a tenant there for drug dealing. Mr. Bush said if this isn't a "disruptive house" under Borough ordinance, then he doesn't know what is?

Kevin Shirer of 177 Elizabeth Street said the owner of this property has established a separate residence in both the basement of the house and the garage. Mr. Blick cited the property owner but they have only paid ½ of the fine, and have not brought the house into compliance as they supposedly agreed to. In addition Mr. Shirer said there are probably thirty (30) houses in the flats area of the Borough that have college students living in them in excess of two unrelated individuals. Mr. Shirer said you can tell which houses these are on garbage collection day, because there is garbage set out all along the street. Mr. Shirer said Borough residents are paying for the extra garbage and recycling from these dwellings.

Mr. DeLarco noted that he had submitted to all the Council members and Borough staff a copy of a proposed ordinance, based on the Town of Bloomsburg's ordinance, which requires licensing of rental housing and inspection of rental housing units. Mr. DeLarco believes that we need this type of ordinance in the Borough; although he knows that some Council members are not in favor of this approach.

Mark Circelli, 90 Walnut Street, said his family was disturbed to see the police raiding the residence at 86 Walnut Street with machine guns. He said he had asked Police Officers Weiss and Miller to pass information concerning this residence onto Mr. Blick at the Borough. John Blick stated that he has not received a "disruptive house" report from the Police Department for this residence.

Mr. Williamson explained the general limitation under the Borough zoning ordinance is that no more than two unrelated individuals are permitted in a dwelling in any zoning district within the Borough. The requirement for inspecting housing units only applies at this time when a property changes hands, and an inspection by the Borough is required for the new owner to obtain a certificate of occupancy.

Kevin Shirer said if the Borough needs to hire additional staff to aid in code enforcement, he would rather see our Borough tax monies spent that way. Mr. Williamson noted that John Blick has cited the owner of 86 Walnut St. for code violations and the hearing before District Justice Michael Muth, which has been postponed several times, is scheduled to be held July 22, 2010. Mr. Henning asked if the Borough has to go through the hearing before the District Justice on this matter before taking any action?

Gary Smith of 95 Walnut Street said he has called 911 twice concerning disruptions going on at this residence and questioned whether there would not be a police report from those incidents?

Mr. Phillips stated that if there are disruptions occurring at this or any other property or if there are issues involving guns or drugs then definitely residents should not hesitate to call the police department.

Mr. Henning asked what are the Borough's alternatives if we are unable to get a satisfactory decision at the District Justice hearing? Mr. Williamson stated that if Council authorizes an action, the Borough could go to Common Pleas Court to request an injunction concerning the property. After discussion, Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Henning to authorize the Borough Solicitor to request an injunction at Monroe County Common Pleas Court to require elimination of the code violations at this residence if that is necessary, subsequent to the District Justice hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

Action on Conditional Use Application and Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan Submitted by Pocono Medical Center for Proposed New Hughes Cancer Center, East Brown Street

Vice President Steve Cunningham and Attorney Marc Wolfe were present on behalf of Pocono Medical Center to address any comments Council may have concerning the applications. Upon a question from Mr. DeLarco, Mr. D'Alessandro said all engineering comments by the Borough had been addressed to his knowledge. Also the plan appears to meet parking requirements under the Borough ordinance even if spaces that are shown being located within PennDOT road right-of-way are not included in the total number of spaces to be provided.

Upon a question from Mr. DeLarco, John Wichner of Traffic Planning & Design Inc., stated that he has reviewed the proposed conditions of approval as drafted by Mr. Wolfe for PMC and the applicant has agreed to do a post construction traffic survey and remediate traffic signal degradation in level of service, if the PennDOT project proposed for the exit 308 I-80 interchange is not completed on schedule. Mr. Wichner said Council had asked the applicant to review the East Brown St./Prospect St. intersection to determine if there was sufficient right-of-way width for construction of a turning lane for north bound traffic on Prospect St. making the turn onto East Brown St. heading to the hospital. Mr. Wichner said preliminary review of the information appears to show that there is sufficient right-of-way, mostly on the west side of Prospect St., but the lanes would not match up correctly if the road cartway is shifted in that direction. Dave Molinaro, P.E. of Pennoni Associates stated that the best case scenario for this intersection would appear to be that additional right-of-way would be needed at least for an easement for relocating the traffic signal pole. Mr. Phillips noted that the draft of conditions of approval prepared by Mr. Wolfe commits the hospital to contribute \$150,000 towards the cost of road improvements at the Prospect St./East Brown St. intersection, only if the PennDOT project does not proceed and if there is additional right-of-way to construct a turning lane without having to utilize eminent domain to obtain right-of-way. Mr. Phillips said there needs to be a turning lane constructed at this intersection; the only question would be when. The Borough needs to partner with the hospital and other parties to come up with the funds necessary to do this work. After further discussion, Mr. Cunningham asked for a brief recess in order to confer with Mr. Wolfe concerning the Hospital's position.

Upon reconvening of the meeting, Mr. DeLarco asked what is the estimated cost for installation of a traffic signal at the East Brown St./Smith St. intersection? Mr. Wichner replied that the anticipated cost for signalization at this intersection is \$150,000. Mr. Henning asked what the cost would be for construction of a turning lane on Prospect St. at the East Brown St. intersection? Mr. D'Alessandro indicated that the cost could easily approach \$500,000. Mr. DeLarco noted that the cost for intersection improvements at both the East Brown St./Smith St. intersection, and the East Brown St./Prospect St. intersection would be \$650,000. Mr. Wolfe stated that the Hospital would be willing to remove the contingency on the use of the funds to be deposited by the hospital, which would permit the Borough to utilize the monies for whatever road improvements the Borough would choose to use them for. Mr. Henning asked what was the overall budget for the new cancer center construction project? Mr. Cunningham indicated \$33 million. Mr. Henning noted that the \$150,000 pledged by the Hospital represents only a small portion of the total project budgeted. Mr. Cunningham asked for another brief recess to discuss the matter further with Mr. Wolfe.

Upon reconvening of the meeting Mr. Cunningham stated that the hospital would be willing to contribute a total of \$210,000 towards road improvements, without any contingencies. Mr. Henning stated that he hoped the Hospital would still be willing to undertake the analysis of possible signal timing changes at the three signalized intersections on Prospect St., and also the analysis of whether additional right-of-way is present to be able to construct a turning lane on Prospect St., in addition to the cash contribution for road improvements. Mr. DeLarco asked whether the Borough would be able to undertake the signal timing analysis for the estimated \$10,000 in additional cost difference that is being discussed? Mr. Molinaro stated he assumes that the Borough has its own technician or contractor that could be able to undertake much of the signal timing revisions. Mr. Phillips stated that he felt that is was probably better for the Borough to undertake the signal timing revision work directly since our traffic consultant would probably have to review and approve any changes recommended by the Hospital's traffic consultant anyhow. Mr. Phillips also said with this funding commitment the hospital has agreed to be a major partner with the Borough in trying to address traffic improvements needed at this important intersection within the Borough. After further discussion, Council members agreed to accept the offer of a \$210,000 contribution towards road improvements to be made by the Hospital without any contingencies.

Concerning the preliminary/final land development plan submitted by Pocono Medical Center for the proposed new cancer center building and the proposed parking lot to be located on the site of existing cancer center facility, Mr. Henning made a motion, seconded by Mr. Repsher to grant the waivers requested by the Hospital from certain provisions of the Borough Subdivision and Land Development Code, as listed by the applicant. The motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Mr. Henning made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wolbert to grant approval for the conditional use application submitted by Pocono Medical Center subject to the following:

1. The hospital shall furnish a review of title for the properties involved to ensure that there are no issues concerning easements or right-of-ways that would preclude use of the properties for the requested uses.
2. Posting with the Borough of a cash deposit in the amount of \$210,000 for contribution toward road improvements to be designated by the Borough.
3. Approval and execution of a development agreement to be reviewed and approved by the Borough solicitor for the proposed development project.

After further discussion, Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wolbert to approve the preliminary/final land development plans for the proposed cancer center facility and the proposed parking lot, subject to review and approval of any outstanding engineering comments by the Borough engineer. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 21-2010 – Appointments to Planning Commission

Mr. Henning made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese to adopt proposed Resolution No. 21-2010 re-appointing four (4) existing members of the Borough Planning Commission whose terms were expiring, to new four (4) year terms on the Planning Commission expiring June 30, 2014. The motion carried unanimously.

Report/Action on Bids Received for Timbering Portion of Reservoir Property

Mr. Phillips reported that five (5) bids were received and opened today at 4:00 p.m. for sale of timber from an approximate 165 acre section of the Boroughs property which surrounds its reservoirs. The high bid was received from Cadusia Valley Lumber Co., in cooperation with J&J Log & Lumber Corp., in the amount of \$91,627. Mr. Phillips said the Borough's forester, Rod Jones, was very pleased with the bid results and was ready to recommend that the Borough accept any bid in excess of \$70,000. Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Repsher to accept the bid from and award the sale of timber to Cadusia Valley Lumber/J&J Log & Lumber Corp. in the amount of their high bid received. The motion carried unanimously.

Bid Proposals for Pool Bathhouse Renovations at Dansbury Park Swimming Pool

Mr. Phillips said Council had discussed at the Committee meeting whether to recommend acceptance of an alternate bid received by the Stroud Region Open Space & Recreation Commission (SROSRC) for redoing the floor of the bathhouse with an epoxy finish. The alternate bid total cost would be \$18,465 and that cost would have to be borne entirely by the Borough. After discussion, Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese to request SROSRC to accept the alternate bid for the epoxy floor with the understanding that the Borough would be paying for this alternate item cost. The motion carried unanimously.

Revision to Sidewalk Improvement Program – Eligibility for Corner Lots

Mr. DeLarco noted that Mr. Phillips has revised the guidelines for the Sidewalk Improvement Program so that a corner property owner would be eligible to receive up to twice the maximum loan amount. Mr. Henning made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brozusky to approve the revised guidelines for the sidewalk improvement program as discussed. The motion carried unanimously.

Authorize Use of Funds from Forge Road Improvement Account for Street-Curbs & ADA Ramp Construction Cost

Mr. Phillips said when this year's budget was reviewed Council had discussed designating the Forge Road account for other road improvement projects such as street curb reconstructions recently completed on Analomink & Centre St., and ADA ramp construction on Analomink St. After discussion, Mr. Henning made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese to authorize re-designation of the Forge Road account to the "Road Improvement Account" and to authorize use of funds from this account for street curb and/or ADA ramp construction costs up to \$25,000, as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

Request by Manager James S. Phillips to Attend Annual ICMA Conference October 17-20, 2010

Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Repsher to authorize Manager James Phillips to attend the annual International City Management Association Training Conference (ICMA) on October 17-20, 2010, with reimbursement of expenses in accordance with Borough travel policy. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 22-2010 Approving Budget Revision to 2007 CDBG Program

Mr. Phillips said these next two (2) resolutions would amend the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Budgets to re-allocate funds among activities to

enable closeout of these CDBG Program funding years. Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Repsher to adopt proposed Resolution No. 22-2010 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 23-2010 Approving Budget Revision for 2008 Year CDBG Program

Mr. Henning made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese to adopt proposed Resolution No. 23-2010 as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing on Application by East Stroudsburg University for Preliminary/Final Land Development Approval for Proposed 98 Space Parking Lot on Gwendolyn St. and Classroom Expansion at Monroe Hall

Mrs. Wolbert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Repsher to open the public hearing at 9:14 p.m. The motion carried unanimously. The court stenographer administered the oath to all persons who intend to testify at the hearing. Suzanne Hixenbaugh, Deputy Counsel for the State System of Higher Education (SSHE) was present representing East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania, the applicant. Ms. Hixenbaugh introduced Richard Staneski, Vice President for Finance & Administration at ESU as the first witness to testify for the applicant. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked if the strategic plan for the University has identified the need for renovations at Monroe Hall? Mr. Staneski stated yes, both the previous and the current master plan for ESU recommend conversion of this former dormitory into classroom and office space. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked when planning for the renovations started? Mr. Staneski replied planning began in 2003-2004 to relocate the Speech & Language Pathology & Audiology Department to this building. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked when Monroe Hall was constructed? Mr. Staneski replied it is one of the older buildings on campus and he believes the construction date was 1941. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked what is the current use of this building? Mr. Staneski replied some faculty offices are located here but right now it is mostly unused. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked how many classroom seats are proposed to be added as a result of renovations? Mr. Staneski replied 192 classroom seats plus 130 seats in teaching labs, for a total of 322 new classroom seats. However, LaRue Hall & its annex are proposed to be demolished as part of this project and that will result in elimination of 100 classroom seats, making the total net gain 222 classroom seats. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked if the University is operating under any time constraints to undertake these renovations? Mr. Staneski replied that the University needs to get the project out to bid and the renovations underway in order to reach a re-opening date for the structure of fall 2011. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked how the University intends to address parking requirements for this project? Mr. Staneski said the new parking lot off of Gwendolyn St. is proposed to accommodate an increase in parking resulting from this project; and is actually 1/3 larger than needed for the net increase in classroom seats from the Monroe Hall renovation project. Mr. Staneski said the University is considering the entire campus as a whole regarding parking requirements for the University and stated that the University has already committed to hire a parking manager for campus and develop the recommendations of the recently completed parking management plan undertaken for ESU by Chance Management. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked about any traffic improvements on local roads needed as a result of this project? Mr. Staneski stated that ESU has already committed, as part of the new student housing project, to pay for 65% of the cost for signalization of the East Brown St./Smith St. intersection, and also to pay for 100% of the cost for construction of a turning lane and signal improvements at the Prospect/Normal St. intersection. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked what are the implications for the University if this project doesn't proceed? Mr. Staneski stated this project is important as a step in the development of the master plan for the campus of East Stroudsburg University.

Mr. Henning asked where LaRue Hall is located; and Mr. Staneski replied it is the small building behind the Abeloff Center located directly off of Centre St. This area will be converted into "green space" in the short term but there are expansions planned for either side of the Abeloff Center for the future. Mr. Reese asked if there has been any change in the plans for establishing two-way traffic on Centre St? Mr. Staneski replied no, the plan is still to make Centre St. two-way. Ms. Wolbert asked if the University is willing to contribute toward traffic flow improvements at the Prospect/East Brown St. intersection? Mr. Staneski said the University has already committed to make major

contributions toward traffic improvements at the Prospect/Normal St. intersection and the East Brown St./Smith St. intersection, but the University does recognize that its traffic does impact the Prospect/East Brown St. intersection as well.

Mr. D'Alessandro asked for clarification on the number of parking spaces to be provided as part of this project. Mr. Staneski said the next witness for the applicant will be able to address that question better.

Ms. Hixenbaugh introduced Chad Lello, P.E. of Pennoni Associates and asked that his curriculum vitae be introduced into the record, as well as the plans for the project dated June 21, 2010. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked what is the zoning district that this project is located within? Mr. Lello replied the I-U, Institutional University District. Mr. Lello explained that Monroe Hall is basically surrounded by University properties and structures, and the Gwendolyn St. parking lot site has some adjoining residential structures not owned by the University. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked for a description of traffic circulation to the sites? Mr. Lello replied access to Monroe Hall is via Centre St. which is a University owned road. Access to the proposed parking lot will be via Gwendolyn St. but there is also a sidewalk proposed to be installed from the parking lot along Marguerite St. to existing sidewalks on Normal St. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked whether the renovations to Monroe Hall and the construction of the new parking lot will create any adverse conditions for Borough residents? Mr. Lello replied no. Does the application conform to all requirements of the Borough zoning ordinance? Mr. Lello replied yes. Will the construction of the project result in any hazards or congestion of traffic? Mr. Lello replied no. Will the project have any adverse impact on the circulation of air? Mr. Lello replied no. Will the project result in any obstruction of the path of light? Mr. Lello replied no. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked Mr. Lello to explain the plan for lighting proposed by the University and Mr. Lello reviewed the lighting plans which call for installation of new lighting fixtures meeting all requirements of the Borough Subdivision and Land Development Code (SALDO). Ms. Hixenbaugh asked if the University is requesting any modifications to requirements of the Borough's SALDO Code? Mr. Lello replied yes, there are several minor modifications that the University is requesting in writing. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked if the plans conform to the Boroughs stormwater management requirements? Mr. Lello replied yes. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked if the applicant has addressed all review comments by the Borough's engineering consultant? Mr. Lello replied yes. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked what is the number of additional parking spaces required as a result of this project? Mr. Lello replied that 44 new spaces are required based on the requirement of 1 space per each additional 5 classroom seats created. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked what's the number of new parking spaces proposed for the Gwendolyn St. parking lot? Mr. Lello replied 102 spaces. Mr. Lello reviewed the landscaping plans for the project which meet the requirements of the Borough zoning code, and upon an answer to a previous question, stated that Monroe Hall is proposed to be provided with heating and air conditioning assisted by Geothermal wells which are proposed to be located in the quad area of the campus adjacent to Monroe Hall.

Codes Officer John Blick asked whether the Borough would be receiving any building fees or water/sewer EDU fees as a result of this project? William Pierson, Assistant Facilities Director for ESU, stated that by law building plans for the Monroe Hall renovations will be reviewed by the State Department of Labor & Industry and therefore the University will not be paying building permit fees for this project to the Borough. Also Mr. Pierson said that the projected water/sewer use for the renovated Monroe Hall will probably be less than the previous usage as a dormitory so no additional EDU fees will be paid to the Borough.

Mr. D'Alessandro again raised the issue whether this project meets the requirements of the Borough Zoning Ordinance, Section 157-75 (C) since the Gwendolyn St. parking lot, (Parcel #7) is located further than 400 ft. from the Monroe Hall (Parcel #7 on the University map). Mr. Staneski again stated that the University's position is that the entire campus as a whole should be looked at since although different parcels are owned by the University, SSHE, and the State General Authority, they're all part of the East Stroudsburg University campus.

The next person testifying for the applicant was David J. Molinaro, P. E. of Pennoni Associates, Inc. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked if the applicant had discussed the plans for the project with the Borough engineers? Mr. Molinaro stated yes. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked if a traffic study was prepared for this project. Mr. Molinaro stated yes and produced a copy of the traffic study which was introduced into the record. Ms. Hixenbaugh asked what are the conclusions of this traffic study? Mr. Molinaro said the report identifies a deficiency at the East Brown/Smith St. intersection in that there will be some level of service degradation at this intersection as a result of increased traffic from this project.

Mr. Henning asked if they had looked at the Prospect/East Brown St., intersection? Mr. Molinaro indicated no, this had not been identified as an intersection to review. John Wichner of Traffic Planning & Design, Inc., asked if the study for this project had included a review of making traffic on Centre St. two-way? Mr. Staneski stated that the plans for making Centre St. two-way up to Prospect St. have been in place even before plans for this project had been submitted. Mr. Wichner asked if the plan for making Centre St. two-way traffic had been coordinated with PennDOT? Mr. Pierson stated that yes, the University has been in discussions with PennDOT and is in the process of responding to the third set of comments received from PennDOT.

Ms. Hixenbaugh asked that the following exhibits be introduced into the record for conditional use request as follows:

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| Exhibit # A-1 | The curriculum vitae for Chad Lello, P.E. |
| Exhibit # A-2 & A-3 | Renderings for the Monroe Hall renovations. |
| Exhibit # A-4 | Set of plans. |
| Exhibit # A-5 | Narrative of response submitted regarding the Boroughs engineer's comments and request for waivers from the Borough's SALDO code. |
| Exhibit #A-6 | The curriculum vitae for David Molinaro, P.E. |
| Exhibit #A-7 | The traffic impact study prepared by Pennoni Associates. |
| Exhibit # A-8 | The Stormwater Management Plan narrative. |

Mr. Blick asked that the Borough exhibits be introduced into the record as follows:

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| Exhibit #B-1 | Review comments by the Borough's engineer, R.K.R. Hess Associates, Inc. |
| Exhibit #B-2 | A copy of the advertisement, notice of the public hearing as required by the Municipalities Planning Code. |

Mr. Blick also noted that he had posted the property as required.

Mr. DeLarco asked if there were any additional comments from Council members, staff or consultants, and there were none. Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Repsher to adjourn the public hearing at 10:20 p.m. The motion carried unanimously. Mrs. Wolbert and Mayor Martinelli left the meeting around this time.

Correspondence

Mr. Phillips reported receipt of the following items of correspondence:

1. A letter from the Monroe County Federation of Sportsmen's Club requesting contributions to support the Annual Youth Field Day.
2. A letter from First Baptist Church requesting approval to close Harris St. during Vacation Bible School at the Church from July 26-30, 2010. Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese to approve the request by First Baptist Church, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.
3. A letter from Gail Weirbach, Manager for Shirley Futch Plaza, requesting approval for residents of the plaza to park their vehicles in the Borough Kistler St. parking lot during the sealing being undertaken at the Shirley Futch Plaza parking lot from July 7-10, 2010. Mr. Henning made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wolbert to approve the request as submitted.
4. A letter from the Pennsylvania Office of Budget acknowledging receipt of the Borough Audit Report for the 2009 Year.

5. A letter from Tobacco Free Northeast PA concerning “Young Lungs at Play”. Mr. Reese made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Wolbert to authorize preparation of an ordinance or resolution making the park areas smoke free. The motion carried unanimously.
6. A copy of the draft NPDES permit has been received from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) for the Borough’s Sewage Treatment Plant.
7. A copy of the 2009 Year Audit by Michael T. Nardone for earned income taxes collected by H.A. Berkheimer, Inc.

Reports

Mr. Reese commented that the Borough needs to obtain funds from project partners such as the Hospital & University to be able to address traffic improvements needed at the Prospect/East Brown St. intersection.

Mr. Henning commented that the Borough needs to find a way to shut down problem dwellings such as the crack house on Walnut St. Also, Mr. Henning commented that perhaps one of the problems that the Borough faces is that we don’t currently allow “student housing” under our current zoning ordinance.

Mr. Repsher noted that there have been several break-ins of vehicles in the Chestnut St. area. Mr. Repsher asked if there have been any issues with the inflow of sewage from Smithfield Township? Mr. Phillips stated no problems so far.

Mr. DeLarco stated that he has asked Charles Garris to represent the Borough on the Police Task Force recently formed for the Stroud Area Regional Police Department (SARPD) and indicated that Mr. Garris will replace himself on this Committee so that there are no issues concerning a quorum of Police Commission Members being represented on the Committee.

Mr. Brozusky asked Mr. Phillips to check into the playground at Dansbury Park, some of the play structures need additional mulch distributed in the “fall zones”.

Mr. DeLarco stated that the street light on Bridge St. at the far end of Crystal St. is out and also the traffic mirror is broken at this location.

Mr. D'Alessandro reviewed his written engineer’s report previously submitted to Council and stated that payment No. 5 for the Lenox Avenue waterline contract is in order to be paid; contingent upon televising the sanitary sewerline showing that there are not problems with the sewerline as a result of the incident earlier this spring when there was a waterline leak due to failure of the contractor to place a cap on the abandoned line. Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Repsher to authorize approval of payment No. 5 to LSR Excavating Inc. subject to Mr. D'Alessandro’s recommendation.

Mr. Phillips said the Stroud Region Open Space & Recreation Commission (SROSRC) has requested approval for levee loop trail signs to be installed at certain locations along the Levee Loop Trail including on the East Stroudsburg Flood Control Levee. Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Henning to authorize installation of signs as needed. Mr. Phillips said the signs should be fairly minimal on the levee and we’ll try to locate signs so they minimize any disruptions to mowing required for the levee.

List of Bills

Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese to approve the list of bills payable and to ratify expenditures and payroll made through July 6, 2010 as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

With no further business Mr. Brozusky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reese to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

James S. Phillips, Secretary