

## MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING OF NESQUEHONING BOROUGH COUNCIL

Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 5:00 p.m., Borough Office  
114 W. Catawissa Street, Nesquehoning, PA 18240

### **ROLL CALL:** COUNCILMEN HAWK, JACOBS; COUNCILWOMEN FOX, WALCK; & PRESIDENT STROMELO

President Stromelo called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.  
Councilmen Sniscak Jr., Zabroski and Mayor Walck were absent.

### **PURPOSE:** Special meeting for Sanitary Sewer Project #11A Bid Awarding.

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they had three bids, which were opened Wednesday, September 7, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.

Dirtworks Solutions - \$87,246.17

Wexcon Inc. - \$102,368.00

M&J Excavation - \$65,260.00

She stated how Ron Tirpak had reviewed everything and they were good with the M&J Excavations. Councilman Jacobs stated how Mr. Tirpak had called him that morning because M&J had told him that it was going to take them 2 – 3 weeks to get their manholes. He stated how Mr. Tirpak told him how it was a possibility that they were not going to get, if it goes in too late, Mill Street blacktopped. Councilman Jacobs stated how he was going to talk to Mr. Tirpak and find out why they could not start down on Mermon Avenue and come up to where the first manhole was at, even if they had to leave the old line hooked up. He stated how they were only tapping into the old manhole on Mermon Avenue. Councilwoman Fox stated how they did not know when the other contractor was going to want to get in there either. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how Lehigh Asphalt had won the bid through the County for the reconstruction of Mill Street. Councilman Jacobs stated how they had also got the bid for the Borough for their streets. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how they were supposed to be starting on them the following week, weather permitting.

Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how Mr. Tirpak had talked to her when he had dropped the bids back off in the office that day. She stated how he was telling her that they have to get Dirtworks Solutions to finish at the other end of Mill Street because as soon as they were done, they could get Bobby Stempa to get the curbing installed. She stated that he told her how once that was done they could get Lehigh Asphalt to start the preparation work/underlay and get everything patched up in 2011 so it was not bad for the winter with the plowing. She stated how they would come and do the topcoat/overlay it next year. Councilman Jacobs stated how Dirtworks lost two or three days tapping into the old manhole.

Councilman Jacobs moved and Councilwoman Fox seconded to award the bid to M&J Excavation in the amount of \$65,260.00. All voted yes. Motion passed.

President Stromelo stated that if they would not get it done and they would not get Mill Street paved, they were going to have to do something with the curbing. He stated how they were not able to leave it the way it was. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how Mr. Tirpak told her about Lehigh Asphalt getting the underlay completed. Councilman Jacobs stated how they had a bunch of millings that they were able to use. President Stromelo stated that just so they were aware that they would have to do something to keep the curb straight.

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Councilwoman Fox asked if Bobby Stempa had started on the curbing. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated how he had started on Chris Heckman's in the first block. She stated how he was waiting on the sewer line to work in the 100 block and he was supposed to do the 200 block also.

Councilwoman Fox asked if he was waiting for Dirtworks to get finished. Secretary/Treasurer Ahner stated "yes".

Councilwoman Fox stated how they will need to start earlier next year when they decide which streets were going to be done so that they did not fall into the same problem that they were having now. Councilman Jacobs stated that he agreed. He stated how he knew that they were talking about Willow Lane. President Stromelo stated how they were looking at the East end of Mill Street. Councilman Jacobs stated about getting a company to get the sewer lines video taped.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilwoman Walck moved and Councilman Jacobs seconded to adjourn the meeting. All voted yes. Meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

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RoniSue Ahner  
Secretary/Treasurer