

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
Minutes of August 7, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

Special Meeting of Crafton Borough Council was called to order during the Finance Committee Meeting, in Council Chambers of the Community Center. ROLL CALL, by Manager Callen, recorded six (6) members of Council present as follows: Mr. Hayes, Mr. Johnston, Ms. O'Connell, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Stewart, and President Weitzel – Also present were Mayor Bloom and Manager Callen.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. **West Crafton Avenue Sidewalks** – Council discussed this project, the detour and adjustments to be made for traffic control and the property owner sidewalks adjacent to the project site.

Mr. Callen gave a background of this project up to present activity. Project began on Monday, August 6, 2012. During the Pre-Construction Conference among TA Robinson, Gateway Engineers and Crafton Borough on Wednesday, August 1, 2012 there was expressed concern regarding the sidewalks on the residential side of West Crafton Avenue and their condition following the installation of new curbing along the project site. Contractor advised that there will be gaps in sidewalk adjacent to new curbing that may cause a hazard and liability for property owner.

After a lengthy discussion among those council members present and the Mayor, a motion was presented to authorize the Manager to discuss the sidewalk situation with each property owner and to offer each property owner to install new sidewalk at contractor's price (\$9.75/sf) with a payment plan between property owner and Crafton Borough up to 3 years; or, for the property owner to do nothing and perhaps risk faulty sidewalk violations in the future.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS None.

MOTION: It was regularly moved and seconded (*O'Connell/Hayes*) to authorize the Borough Manager to meet with the West Crafton Avenue construction site property owners and offer a 3-year, no interest, repayment agreement for Crafton Borough to replace their sidewalks.

MOTION carried by a Three Yes, Three No (*Johnston, Phillips, Weitzel*) Roll Call Vote; with the Mayor breaking the tie and voting Yes (3-3-1 Mayor Yes Vote).

No other Council action taken or recorded; the regular Finance Committee Meeting continued.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Callen, Borough Manager