

MINUTES
Borough of Ambridge – Workshop Meeting
Ambridge Municipal Complex
April 14, 2009 – 7:00 pm

I. Call to order

President McCoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present: Tony Cafarelli, Bob Dunn, Orlando Gagliardi, Mike Mikulich, Joe Pucci and Gerald C. McCoy

Absent: Tina Iorfido Miller- due to illness.

Administration and Staff Present: Mayor Carl Notarianni, Borough Manager/Secretary Kristen Denne, Borough Solicitor Rick Start, Borough Engineer Frank Lemmon, Police Chief Mark Romutis, Fire Chief David Drewnowski and Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer James Ivancik., L. Kokoski, DPW Mgr.

III. Invocation

Ms. Barb Costa, Trinity Episcopal School of Ministry

Mr. McCoy asked for an extra moment of silence for the police officers that died in the line of duty in Pittsburgh.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

V. Treasurer's Report

–respectfully submitted by Marilyn Sheleheda, Treasurer.

Mr. Mikulich read the following report aloud as of 4pm today, April 14, 2009.

General Fund Analysis:

\$1,196,186.79	General Fund Bank Account Balance 4/14/2009 4:00 pm.
<u>\$8,222.84</u>	2007-2008 Outstanding Checks 4/14/2009 4:00 p.m.
\$1,187,963.95	Available Balance 4/14/2009 4:00 p.m.
<i>Totals are as follows:</i>	
Deposits:	\$336,171.84
Debits:	\$107,758.54
Treasurer's General Fund NOTES:	-which include the following:
<u>54</u> Checks	\$53,757.03
<u>1</u> Payroll (s)	\$53,851.51
<u>1</u> NSF Deposited check	\$150.00

Other Fund Balances as of 4/14/2009:

\$75,521.61	Grants/Special Funds (Insurance Proceeds - Garage Damage)
\$10,397.82	Liquid Fuels Fund
\$10,961.75	Escrow Disbursement Account
\$39,161.29	Recreation Fund
\$332,813.53	Sinking Fund (FEMA Grant)
\$468,856.00	Total Other Funds Balances (Restricted Use)

VI. Minutes – March 10, 2009 – Revised.

Motion made to accept the corrections made by Mr. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Pucci.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Abstain		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. Pucci	Abstain
Mr. Gagliardi	Y		President McCoy	Y
Ms. Miller	Absent		Mayor Notarianni	

Motion Passes 4 ~ 0: 2 Abstains

VII. Borough Bills & Expenses.

Motion made to pay the bills made by Mr. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Mikulich.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Gagliardi	Y		President McCoy	Y
Ms. Miller	Absent		Mayor Notarianni	

Motion Passes 6 ~ 0

VIII. Citizen Participation on Agenda Items Only (3 minutes per speaker)

No one wished to speak.

IX. Items for Discussion

1. Ordinance #1232, Establishing Traffic Patterns for Henrici St.

Motion made to accept the ordinance made by Mr. Mikulich, seconded by Mr. Dunn.

Discussion: Mr. Cafarelli asked; once adopted, does it take affect immediately, Ms.

Denne replied –yes. He also asked; what is the target date – Ms. Denne replied – tomorrow afternoon or Thursday.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Gagliardi	Y		President McCoy	Y
Ms. Miller	Absent		Mayor Notarianni	

Motion Passes 6 ~ 0

2. 2009 Road Program

Mr. Lemmon explained that it was the concrete street improvement on 15th & Lenz. Awarded to Sangro, Inc. in the amount of \$24,019.50. Council needs to take action and approve. Mr. Mikulich makes to motion to accept, Mr. Pucci seconds.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Gagliardi	Y		President McCoy	Y
Ms. Miller	Absent		Mayor Notarianni	

Motion Passes 6 ~ 0

3. Request for Street closure for Soap Box Derby

Mr. Mikulich asked about the date. Ms. Denne said that she received a revision today and it will only be for the weekend of May 30th Friday after 5pm until Sunday, they will not be doing a practice run this month. Mr. Mikulich makes the motion to approve the request, Mr. Pucci seconds.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Gagliardi	Y		President McCoy	Y
Ms. Miller	Absent		Mayor Notarianni	

Motion Passes 6 ~ 0

4. Request for Street closure from United Presbyterian Church of Ambridge

Mr. Mikulich asked which streets they want to close. Mr. McCoy replied on Saturday May 9th, the United Presbyterian Church wants to have a yard sale; they want to close 9th Street entrance to the alley from 7:30am to 2:30pm. They would advise the residents in that area that they can go thru the other entrance to the alley. Mr. Pucci made the motion to approve the request, Mr. Mikulich seconded.

All in Favor – Ayes 6 ~ Nays 0.

Motion Passes.

5. Acceptance of Retirement of Sgt. Richard Heitzenrater.

Mr. McCoy read aloud the letter submitted by Sgt. Richard Heitzenrater for his retirement as of 4/6/2009. Mr. McCoy reluctantly asked for a motion to accept his retirement and thanked Mr. Heitzenrater for his 33 years of service to the community. Mr. Cafarelli made the motion to accept it, Mr. Pucci seconded.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Gagliardi	Y		President McCoy	Y
Ms. Miller	Absent		Mayor Notarianni	

X. Committee Reports

1. Administration and Finance- Mr. Mikulich reports

- Mr. Mikulich reports on a convention that he and Mr. Pucci attended concerning some Senate & House bills that pertain to the operation of Boroughs. They are asking in Senate bills 139 & 141 that pertain to the abolishment to the office of elected assessor. The House bill of 747 which is enacts an annual fee from municipalities of populations of 10,000 or above, if they are under state police protection, they will assess those municipalities a fee of \$100.00 per resident. They may even change that too populations of 5,000 or more. That looks like that bill will pass. There is also Senate bill 419 & 677 & 795 which will allow public meetings to be posted on authorized sites on the internet. The PSAB is very much in favor of these bills; however the newspapers are not, because it will take money out of their pockets. This will save taxpayers thousands of dollars every year, and it's bogged down right now because of labor unions and newspapers. Senate bill 321 & House bill 1014 are bills that increase the bids for advertisement from \$10,000.00 to \$25,000.00, right now if we want to purchase something and the cost is over \$10,000.00 we have to advertise, if these bills pass we will be able to purchase an item up to \$25,000.00 item without advertising for bids. This will save taxpayers thousands of dollars in advertising fees. They also want to critique that bill and change the amount every 3 to 5 years, as the cost of living goes up. It will protect the taxpayers and the Boroughs from this burden in the long run. House bill 330 will increase the cost the legal costs that Mayors are allowed to have Boroughs. Right now they are allowed to charge the Boroughs \$2,500.00 and it will be increased to \$4,000.00. House bill 148 is a sister bill to 330, and it appears that it will be passed and the Senate will pass it also. There is another issue – it's called Act 110 of 2008 which is going to restrict people from flipping houses without inspections, which before they sell it – it will have to meet code. Also Act 99 which has 180 days which that structure will have to be brought up to code before you sell it. Another House bill 283, which mirrors 945, which will allow municipalities of under a population of 12,000 to borrow money for equipment and/or property for 2% - for 10 years. This will pass also.
- Mr. Mikulich also drew up a preliminary policy for the use of the Borough vehicle. He gave one to the Solicitor, Borough Manager and the Engineer. Anyone have any suggestions, add or delete. Maybe we can act on it at the next meeting. He feels that we need a policy on how that vehicle is to be operated and conducted. This way down the road nobody can say "well, I didn't know".
- He also talked to Randy Cosgrove and Jeff Stenzel pertaining to the "hang zone" and what was supposed to be put down there. They faxed over these copies of what he gave everyone and it looks like what they plan on putting back up there and it pertains to tennis courts. We didn't have tennis courts up there. We have to look at the agreement as to what it reads. Duke also has another drawing that does not have tennis courts. Maybe we could go to their meeting tomorrow night and get this resolved. Mr. Stenzel said he has an agreement from Ms. Caskie and Dieter- it says that it says tennis courts. Mr. Mikulich commented to Mr. Stenzel that the tennis courts were on school property and the new school sits on the site where the old tennis courts were. Mr. Mikulich mentioned that Kristen has a letter of 6-15-2005 that says there are no tennis courts involved. The Solicitor commented that the construction is immanent and we should attend the meeting to let them know before the bulldozer starts a tennis court. Ms. Denne commented that she remembers the letter said that any changes have to be approved by the Borough Council; otherwise it has to revert back. Mr. Mikulich wanted permission from the Council for him to go and represent the Borough Council to the school board meeting and let them know that we don't want tennis courts. Council all agreed that Mr. Mikulich should go and let them know about the tennis courts. Mr. Gagliardi asked what happens if you tell them no tennis courts and they say they're going to go ahead with them anyway. Mr. Mikulich replied they can't

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because he told Mr. Stenzel that there will be a lawsuit because the Borough Council has the final say. The Solicitor remarked that it was correct because it is Borough property. If they start something that Council disagrees with, we can go out and stop them, physically stop them. Mr. McCoy commented that they have to go by the original agreement. Mr. Cafarelli remarked that it was stated on the council floor what had to be done for the easement was to replace what was there – restore it as it was. Mr. McCoy states that they have to produce an agreement by the previous council. Mr. Mikulich comments that is what they sent him today and it shows tennis courts. The Solicitor comments that is not a signed agreement – it is a drawing by their engineer. Mr. Mikulich said that is what they are going by and what they are planning. The Solicitor commented that is why is very important that we give them a heads up that we do not agree and they are not to start work on tennis courts and if they do we will stop them.

- Mr. Mikulich also discussed an appoint he set up on April 22 with Seth Carwin from Safe Choice who is a software guy, he can do fund accounting utilities billing and other municipality solutions on software.
- Mayor asked about the State Police billing, it is per person including babies. Mr. Mikulich replied yes, if the person is 1 hr old – its \$100, if the person is 110 years old – its \$100. Mr. May also asked about the Mayor’s legal allowance. The Solicitor replied that it’s \$2,500.00 for every 12 month period. Mr. Mikulich commented that they want to raise it to \$4,000.00 in a 12 month period.

2. Public Safety –*Mr. Gagliardi reports.*

- Mr. Gagliardi had nothing to report, he talked to the chief of police and he said everything is going smoothly.

3. Public Works –*Mr. Cafarelli reports.*

- Mr. Cafarelli asked Mr. Lemmon to report on the Salt Shed building – if it’s begun or if he spoke to the contractor. Mr. Lemmon remarked that he faxed over to the winning bid company and asked for a starting date but he hasn’t received anything yet. Mr. Cafarelli asked him if he wouldn’t contact them as the weather is getting nice and we want to get started ASAP. Mr. Mikulich asked who won the bid. Mr. Cafarelli states that it was formally Tony Rosenberger’s company (but he sold it) Exterior Systems on 14th Street. Mr. Kokoski commented that they will be delivering trusses by the end of the week.
- Mr. Cafarelli commented that it seems to fall on deaf ears, the trailers that are parked illegally on Duss Ave.; they do not have a tractor in front of them. They are also obstructing the Borough side walks, there are 40-50 clear plastic bags on the sidewalks and pedestrians or a wheelchair can’t pass. This winter he will bring it up again, but the cars that are parked on the northeast side of Duss Ave and the trailers that are parked at the water plant, the snow plows couldn’t get thru. He asked Ms. Denne to have something done about that. Ms. Denne commented that it’s the police department, she doesn’t have jurisdiction over that. Chief Romutis commented that he has told his officers about that and he does not know why it has not been enforced. Mr. Cafarelli asked that it’s alleviated by the next meeting.
- The 2 hr parking sign situation, Mr. Pucci called him about 12-18 months ago which Columbia Gas took down when they were replacing the sidewalks. It has happened before, the contractors taken down the signs and leave them at the Borough garage; they replace the concrete - do the work but never put the signs back up. The woman thought we were talking to her, but those signs were supposed to be put back up over a year ago but never were. It was just coincidence that they were put back up that day. There were 3 signs on the western side and 4 on the eastern side. Mr. Cafarelli asked of Mr. Kokoski if he directs the workers where to re-erect the signs. Mr. Kokoski replied yes.
- Mr. Cafarelli asked Mr. Kokoski to give a general update. Mr. Kokoski commented that street sweeping began April 6, first week free no tagging, but tagging from here on. Mr. McCoy commented that if he is not mistaken – they got a warning on their vehicle about street sweeping. He also wanted to report on the findings from the Mayor and Chief Romutis concerning the 2 hr. parking ticket of that woman- did she pay the ticket? Mr.

Mayor commented that he and the chief discussed it and he would like council to decide. Mr. McCoy indicated that 5 council persons were there that night and she claimed she got the ticket the same day the signs were put up – what we found out is that the ticket was issued the following day –after the signs were put up. The Mayor spoke of when he and his wife had a babysitter, they considered her part of their family and she parked in front of their house. Mr. McCoy commented that what he understood was the woman with the ticket was not the babysitter – she was a parent who left her child at the babysitter’s and left her car at the babysitters while she went to work. Mr. Pucci commented that the babysitter lives there and it was not the babysitter that got the ticket. Mr. Pucci continued that he has a garage and that is where he parks, but he pushed this issue because of all the other residents there, and Mr. Gagliardi can verify- parking is crazy on that street. When a person leaves a car there for the whole day, it causes problems for other residents. He also commented that he never spoke to this woman, her son and his grandson play football together, but he never even spoke to her there. Mr. Pucci asked the Mayor if when he is investigating a problem, does he not call and talk to everyone. More discussions. Mr. McCoy stated his view that the ticket should be paid. The Solicitor states that the President of Council has expressed his opinion as the validity of the ticket, but he is not directing that it be enforced- it is up to the police department. Mr. McCoy has commented to the police department that everyone be treated equally in this town, you can not give one person a ticket for 2 hr parking and let another person go. Mr. Mayor commented that we will do the right thing.

- Mr. Mikulich commented under public works concerning the cigarette butt things are looking pretty shabby and maybe we can replace them with new ones.
- Mr. Cafarelli commented about the free newspapers that have been thrown all over the place. Ms. Denne replied that she sent a letter out to the newspaper concerning these papers. Mr. Cafarelli asked if she got any response, Ms. Denne replied no. Mr. Cafarelli commented that we need to do something about this, especially on the vacant homes, it’s a fire hazard and it makes it look terrible. Mr. Mikulich commented that there is a group that goes around every Sunday who clean up Ambridge, and these news papers look terrible. Which news paper is this – someone commented The Tribune. Mr. Mayor commented that he called and left a message at the Times that they did not want that paper anymore and they stopped it. So maybe a simply message would handle it.
- Mr. Gagliardi commented that he still sees dumpsters without names/numbers on it. Mr. McCoy mentioned it that maybe we should call the county, there are two small boxes in the Village that stuff is all over the place. They need to put additional boxes or bigger boxes. It’s a mess.

4. Recreation –*Mr. Dunn reports*

- He commented that Unis started Demolition at the old swimming pool.
- He also spoke to Mike Galvan (AYA) about cleaning up at the park. They are putting up batting cages. They do have it locked. Their members and our committee will have a meeting next month to see how the fields will be set up once the demolition is completed.

XI. Citizen’s Participation (*Citizens are limited to 5 minutes per speaker*)

Catherine Cole – 85 Laughlin St. –Ambridge

She states that she has witnesses concerning the 2 hr parking ticket that was put on her car. The signs on the rest of the street were possibly put up the day before, but that sign where she was parked was put up that day, and the ticket had her babysitters address on it and it was a rental vehicle. The Police Chief states that the address on the ticket indicates where the car was parked not the address of the owner of the car. Ms. Cole commented that was not where the car was parked. The Mayor states that they will look into the matter further before making a decision.

Bobi Boykins – 1004 Eleventh St. –Ambridge.

She commented that last year when you had the people from the jail come up and clean up Kristufek Street. They cleaned up the bushes and dumped them into her back yard and she would like them cleaned up. Mr. Cafarelli concurred that he is aware of the problem. Mr. McCoy states that it will be cleaned up. Ms. Boykins also states that the steps that go from Kristufek to Eleventh St are a mess. Mr. Cafarelli asked Mr. Kokoski to make sure it gets cleaned up. Mr. McCoy asked Ms. Boykins to call if this doesn't get cleaned up. She said she will.

Mark Slobodnak – 901 Beaver Rd.- Ambridge.

He was here last year in August asking for a curb cut. He was trying to get information concerning what permits he need, starting in April of 2008, he left many messages and none were returned. He physically came to the Borough bldg in May 5 and filled out the application and never heard from the Boro. It was more than 2 months later he came down and they lost his paperwork, so he filled out more papers and a month went by and nothing happened. He commented that he enlisted the help from the Mayor and people on council. Came before council last August and you couldn't vote on it because of an ordinance prohibiting. It was suggested by Mr. Lemmon that I apply for a variance to the Zoning Board for a hardship because of the parking situation on our street. He was granted the permit on November 10. He was told by the Zoning Board to wait 30 days in case anyone opposed it, which he waited until January 5, he came down to the Boro and paid his fee again and got his permit. Then 2 weeks ago Code Enforcement came to his house and tried to stop the job because his permit wasn't posted. He comments that he didn't post it because of his one neighbor might have stolen it and then he wouldn't have a permit. He has watched people through his neighborhood work on their homes and he never saw one permit posted. He feels that his contractor shouldn't have been harassed 2 weeks ago because he did have a permit. He witnessed 2 homes in his neighborhood this past week pouring concrete and there were not permits posted. He has pictures. It seems to him that he gets hindered every step of the way – he doesn't care if the other people had permits, if they are fixing up their houses – he is all for it. He wants to know why he is singled out and why does he get fines and why he has to appear in front of the Magistrate May 19th to prove that he has a permit. Mayor Notarianni asked what he is seeking. Mr. Slobodnak remarked that earlier in the meeting, Mr. McCoy made a comment that the police department treat all residents in the Borough equally. The Mayor asked if he would have to miss work to appear at this hearing. Mr. Slobodnak remarked that he would. Mr. Mayor asked the Chief Romutis if he could take the papers to the hearing for him. Mr. Slobodnak commented that his letter from the Zoning Board states that he should be granted the variance subject to the following: that he applies for and granted a curb cut permit, nothing else. Which he applied for in August and paid for and again applied and paid again in January. He is asking for a refund of one of his \$75.00 that he paid twice and that these charges be dropped against him. Mr. Mikulich remarked that he is not going to be in compliance with the Borough ordinance, that is why he went and got the variance. Mr. Ivancik commented that the installation of the curb cut was not to Borough specifications. The reason for the hearing is because you ignored the stop work order by him or the contractor without it being resolved. Mr. Slobodnak commented that the application for a permit has two phone numbers (home & cell) on it ...no one tried to contact him, and never returned my phone calls last April when I asked for help. These people are supposed to help; he is tired of paying his tax dollars to employ people who don't want to do their job. Mr. McCoy asked Mr. Lemmon: if he got the variance it gives him permission to do it, but he still has to comply with specifications. Comments from council members to agree with Mr. McCoy's statement. Mr. Slobodnak remarked that there were no specs given to him. He has pictures of driveways around his house in Ambridge and some of the curb cuts none of them look near what his does. His driveway was professionally done; he paid a lot of money to have it done right. Mr. Mikulich asked him is he got an answer to what specifications you were

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not following. Mr. Slobodnak remarked that he (Mr. Ivancik) said something about 18 inches and then he came back and said we have to integrate it with the street, but we are replacing what's existing, not putting new. One of my neighbors across the street last week replaced a big section of his driveway and he didn't integrate it with the street and he didn't have a permit and the neighbor told him that he didn't need one because he was replacing existing concrete. Mr. Slobodnak commented that he is being held to the letter of the law because of a neighbor who has done 3 separate jobs on his house and that neighbor never had a permit. The neighbor put up a 6 foot –not 4 foot- fence last year and I was never asked if he could put it up and he didn't have a permit. He states that he paid a \$250.00 fee for the Zoning meeting, but if he has to pay that's ok too; he just wants to fix his property. Mr. McCoy asked Mr. Ivancik if he did indeed pay twice, Mr. Ivancik replied no. Mr. Slobodnak showed two receipts. Mr. Ivancik states that one receipt was for curb cut and one for permit. The Solicitor commented that it is not the Zoning Board hearing is for. Mr. Slobodnak commented that his permit says both. Mr. Ivancik commented that the problem was that his permit wasn't posted. Mr. McCoy asked Ms. Denne to look into this matter.

Cora Pucci – 651 Glenwood Ave. –Ambridge.

She spoke of last meeting when Joe Pucci was being blamed for calling the police and the Police Chief concerning the 2 hr parking signs, when he did not; it was her (Cora Pucci). She commented that Barb Lamberto runs a day care there and Catherine comes and parks her car there, gets into another car and goes to work. She was concerned that with street sweeping coming up that it would cause hardship on those who live there trying to move their cars around. Ms. Pucci asked her neighbor to please ask Catherine to use the park & ride...that is why Ambridge built it. She didn't want to get into a confrontation with the daycare clients. Ms. Pucci remarked that at the last meeting Catherine Cole stated that Joe Pucci harassed Mrs. Lamberto, so Ms. Pucci personally asked Mrs. Lamberto yesterday if Mr. Pucci was harassing her and she said "no, Joe did not harass me". Ms. Pucci commented that her husband's name is being defamed too much and she wanted to defend him. She asked Mr. Kokoski if all the signs were put up in one day or not. Mr. Kokoski replied one day. She wanted to know if anyone knows how many signs are on other streets, such as Beaver Rd. – there are 4 signs on one other streets, there are different amount of signs on different streets. So Glenwood Ave isn't in excess with the signs. Her last comment on this issue is whether the ticket gets fixed or paid, you are not doing the residents a favor.

In a separate issue, she wanted to know if Council would approve for the tax collector for her to be able to accept debit/credit card payments. Mr. McCoy commented that the tax collector is there, ask her. Ms. Pucci said that Ms. Crano said it was up to Council. Ms. Denne commented that there is no reason she can't take cards. A little more discussion on the debit/credit card.

Mr. McCoy commented that he checked the signs on Lenz Ave and there are 37, and this council did not install one of them. Therefore there are a lot of 2 hr signs in Ambridge.

Barbara Costa – 699 Melrose Ave. Ambridge –Trinity School

We sponsor the Ecumenical Prayer Group, which next week will hold our 3rd Annual Prayer Week. We meet at a different location each week. She already notified the police and promised that they would not be noisy. She has brought copies for Council and anyone else who would like information.

She also wanted to comment on the Bamboo Bar which Unis Demolition will be tearing down when he schedule allows. She commented that his signs are up over there and there has already been vandalism.

Phil Dennis – 1004 Kristufek Ave – Ambridge.

He was asked by the other residents of Bernadine Ave and Kristufek Ave to give a request last October, so he is requesting now. The new street sweeper could not maneuver around these two streets, we all understand of the situation. The problem is that we are still receiving by-weekly tickets. Officer Jamison and Officer Davis are aware of this situation, but they can't police what happens to the other members of the force when they aren't working. Officer Jamison stated to him that they must request from Council to have the street sweeping discontinued in these two areas. Mr. McCoy stated that if you can get and present it to council—at least 50% of the residents' signatures that they do not want the street sweeper sweeping, we can make it official. Mr. Dennis will come to the next meeting with the petition.

Gary Keenan – 1039 Pine St. –Ambridge

He has lived there for 40 years or better and we have been kicking this street sweeping around for years. Some people want the sweeping and some don't. He commented that the street sweeper would get some one time and some the next time, and we wouldn't get tickets. We want it to be left alone the way it has been for all these years.

XII. Engineer's Report

Mr. Lemmon discussed a summary of the streets that need reconstructed this year. There is an excess of \$37,000.00 for other projects, move to other streets on our list: Melrose, Duss Ave., parts on Beaver Rd. Mr. McCoy asked Mr. Lemmon if we could get to 5th Street. Mr. Lemmon stated that we can pave the section on 5th and (inaudible), but he didn't think we could get to (inaudible). Mr. McCoy asked what we need to do to implement this. Mr. Lemmon measured both streets and he has to finish the drawings to get them out to bid. Council needs to authorize him to do so. Mr. Mikulich makes the motion, Mr. Cafarelli seconded. Mr. Cafarelli asked Mr. Lemmon if we going to complete what the Municipal Authority took 2 yrs and only completed 8 feet or are we going to replace the whole thing. Mr. Lemmon commented the whole thing. Mr. Cafarelli mentioned that he would like to see it done without a center seam.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Gagliardi	Y		President McCoy	Y
Ms. Miller	Absent		Mayor Notarianni	

Motion Passes 6 ~ 0

Mr. Lemmon commented 799 -21st. there is a home there that has a 6 ft piece of curb gutter that sunk and has a hard time getting in and out of his garage. Mr. Ivancik forwarded the photos and the complaint and Mr. Lemmon asked that if it was ok with Council he would like to have Sangro give us price.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Gagliardi	Y		President McCoy	Y
Ms. Miller	Absent		Mayor Notarianni	

Motion Passes 6 ~ 0

Mr. Mikulich asked that Mr. Lemmon go and check out Elm Rd from 2nd to 4th Street, and get a price on what it would cost to fix up those two blocks. Right now it's a dirt road. Mayor commented that it is horrible.

XIII. Borough Manager's Report – Ms. Kristen Denne

- Bids are in on the vehicles; all total we made about \$6,000.00. there is one police car and the street sweeper that we did not get even one bid and she would like Council to drop the reserve bid. Our reserve price was \$5,000.00, and she suggests that we lower it to \$4,000.00. Mr. Mikulich states that he has a vendor that he met at the convention that purchases sweeper, he would like to opportunity to talk to him first. Mr. McCoy tabled it until the next meeting. Ms. Denne commented that it's still in public bid and he would have to bid. Ms. Denne asked for permission to keep the process moving by dropping the reserve bid to \$4,000.00 Mr. Gagliardi makes to motion, Mr. Cafarelli seconds.

Council	Vote		Council	Vote
Mr. Cafarelli	Y		Mr. Mikulich	Y
Mr. Dunn	Y		Mr. Pucci	Y
Mr. Gagliardi	Y		President McCoy	Y
Ms. Miller	Absent		Mayor Notarianni	

Motion Passes 6 ~ 0

- She wanted to remind everyone that the Ambridge Clean up is April 18th, any volunteers get in touch with Bob Mikush or Robert Sculli.
- The COG meeting will be held here in Ambridge on April 23, 2009 at 7pm.

XIV. Items not included in the agenda

Mr. McCoy commented on something he received from Mary Ann Landis from Old Economy, she thanked Ambridge Council who was the only Council in the state of Pennsylvania that went to bat for their historic areas. He wanted to thank Ms. Landis for her comments because she took the time to say "thank you".

Mr. Dunn asked about the vehicles that were sold, how long before they get them out. Ms. Denne replied she is giving them a week.

Mr. McCoy also wanted to comment on how well behaved the audience and the council was tonight.

XV. Adjournment

Mr. Cafarelli moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Dunn seconded the motion.
 All in Favor: Ayes 6 ~ Nays 0.
 The motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: April 28, 2009

Respectfully submitted, by Kristen Denne, Borough Manager

I herby certify that these are the true and correct minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Borough of Ambridge Council for April 14, 2009.