

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17, 2017
COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in Osborne Elementary School, on Tuesday, October 17, 2017. President Thomas Huddleston called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting:

Council: Thomas Huddleston, Holly Merriman, William Monski, John Orndorff, Mary Scalercio

Officials: Mayor Barbara Carrier, Solicitor Harlan Stone, Secretary-Treasurer Diane Vierling

VISITOR

Brennen Hydzik, 1315 Linden Street, Sewickley, PA 15143

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2017 MINUTES

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. Bill Monski moved the Minutes be approved, with a second by Holly Merriman. Council voted 5 – 0, to approve the motion.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Carrier commended the Sewickley Police Department for the excellent job they are doing in the school zone. The police can now utilize an area where John Wick mowed the grass and weeds, and conduct speed checks along Ohio River Boulevard.

“Emergency Management” will be discussed at the Mayors & Presidents Breakfast scheduled on Saturday, November 4th.

Mary Roberts Rinehart Park will host the “Pumpkins in the Park” event Saturday, October 21st. It will include pumpkin painting, storytelling, and refreshments.

SECRETARY’S REPORT

The Borough did not receive any Real Estate Transfer Tax from Allegheny County for the month of September, as no sales occurred.

As a condition of closing, and willingness to purchase 1107 Beaver Road, a prospective buyer has requested a meeting with the Zoning Hearing Board to apply for a variance in order to expand the rear of the existing garage. (The extension would run along the rear property line.) The hearing is scheduled for December 11, 2017.

Earlier today a letter was received from Kevin Flannery advising that that the Borough of Sewickley will not offer road salt services after June 30, 2018. Therefore, each municipality, including Glen Osborne, will have to make its own arrangements to purchase and store its road salt.

The Borough received reimbursement of \$22,920 from our insurance carrier for all of the expenses incurred (minus the deductible) for the most recent accident that occurred at the Haysville crossing on July 7, 2017. We also received payment for the recovery of our deductible for the multi-vehicle accident that occurred on February 10, 2017, along Ohio River Boulevard.

The Borough received \$4,774 from the Commonwealth for 2017 Fire Relief Allocation. As required by Act 205 of 1984, the proceeds of this allocation are being paid from the Borough’s General Fund to Cochran Hose (check #4485) which is included among tonight’s check detail.

PUBLIC SERVICES

Mary Scalercio is in the process of making arrangements with Jeff Neff for Cochran Hose to assist with the Osborne Holiday Tree. Ms. Scalercio will also contact the art teacher at Osborne Elementary School to see if students can make ornaments for the tree.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Visitor Brennen Hydzik inquired about the traffic situation at Orchard Street and Beaver Road. President Huddleston advised that Council would discuss this matter and explore the impact of stop signs at the November Committee Meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS

On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Bill Monski, Council voted 5 – 0, to accept the Road Salt Services Agreement for 2017/2018 with the Borough of Sewickley for 137 tons. This remains the same as the 2016/2017 Agreement.

John Orndorff expressed concern regarding a clogged tunnel near the Haysville light, filled with stones and debris. The debris is covering the storm water inlet from the Beaver Road ramp. The stones and debris appear to be coming from Haysville. Thus, there is a question as to who should be responsible for clearing this debris. Where is the boundary line between Haysville and Glen Osborne? President Huddleston plans to discuss this issue with Haysville officials at the Mayors & Presidents Breakfast on November 4th.

John Orndorff provided an overview of Columbia Gas's plans to replace gas lines throughout Glen Osborne and Aleppo in 2018. Most of the gas lines are

located under sidewalks. In 2019 Columbia Gas will replace gas lines along Sycamore Road and will pay for the repaving of Sycamore Road.

PA DEP's Glen Mitchell oil well removal project has been completed. The hillside is stabilized and the landscaping has been completed. John Orndorff thanked Bill Monski for the outstanding job he did monitoring the project on behalf of the Borough.

On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Bill Monski, Council voted 3 – 2, to enhance the Hare Lane Pump Station with the addition of two propane tanks, weighing 100 pounds each, at the estimated cost of \$700.

John Orndorff suggested inquiring about the possibility of having Columbia Gas install a permanent gas line in Hare Lane during "Columbia Gas's 2018 Project." After further discussion, Tom Huddleston motioned to hold off on the installation of additional propane tanks at the Hare Lane Pump Station, until consulting with Columbia Gas for a potential direct gas line connection. John Orndorff seconded the motion. Council voted 5 – 0, to approve the motion.

FINANCE

Holly Merriman reported that Jordan Tax Service is doing an excellent job and provides detailed monthly reports. Our contract with them runs through 2021. We have received 95% of our 2017 real estate taxes.

Holly Merriman thanked Diane Vierling for her work in preparation for the 2018 Budget.

Ms. Merriman asked Council members to prepare to submit their portions of the 2018 budget on November 6th during the Committee Meetings.

BILLS

A check detail was included in the packet sent to Council, Mayor, and the Solicitor. John Orndorff motioned payment of the bills. Mary Scalercio seconded the motion. Council was polled, and all voted yes to approve the motion.

QVCOG

On motion of Bill Monski, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 5 – 0, to implement Act 172 of 2016, authorizing local tax credits for volunteer fire fighters and EMT's.

Solicitor Stone will prepare the ordinance for adoption at the December Council meeting.

At the request of John Orndorff, Council recessed into Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss a legal matter. Council reconvened at 8:58 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 5 – 0, to adjourn at 9:02 p.m.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary