

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH  
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2016  
COUNCIL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in Osborne Elementary School on Tuesday, November 15, 2016. President Thomas Huddleston called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting:

Council: James Cohen, Thomas Huddleston, Holly Merriman, William Monski, John Orndorff, Mary Scalarcio (8:10 p.m.)

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

President Huddleston opened with a moment of silence in recognition of our recently passed Chief of Police Jim Ersher who was a great asset to this community and the entire region.

**VISITORS**

Beth Crow, 106 Village Court, Sewickley, PA  
Betty Crow, 516 Sycamore Road, Sewickley, PA  
David Lowe, 520 Sycamore Road, Sewickley, PA  
Jim & Trish VanSickle for MaryLou Sullivan, 609 Sycamore Road, Sewickley, PA

Visitors Beth and Betty Crow, David Lowe, Jim and Trish VanSickle attended the meeting for an update on the Sycamore Road Project. John Orndorff provided an overview. He stated that the bids for the retaining wall stabilization portion of the project were recently opened and are being carefully reviewed by NIRA engineers and the geo-tech engineering firm Garvin Boward Benko. The review process is very detailed and lengthy. Technical details submitted in the bids and the credentials of the bidders must be vetted before the bid can be awarded. This decision should be determined by the time of the December Council Meeting.

Trish VanSickle requested removal of the barricade at the upper portion of Sycamore Road during the winter. President Huddleston advised that Council will take this request under advisement.

### **APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 18, 2016 MINUTES**

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. John Orndorff moved the Minutes be approved, with a second by Jim Cohen. Council voted 6 – 0, to approve the motion.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Carrier presented to Council a sympathy card to sign for Chief Ersher's family. In memory of Chief Ersher and on behalf of the Borough, Mayor Carrier donated \$200 to the Autistic Support Fund at Highland Elementary School.

The Borough's Christmas Party will be held at the Edgeworth Club on Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.

Mayor Carrier reviewed the Police Report. The police presence in the school zone has increased. Mayor Carrier expressed concern for the numerous car accidents that have occurred along Ohio River Boulevard.

Mayor Carrier thanked President Huddleston for hosting the Mayors & Presidents Breakfast on October 22<sup>nd</sup> in her absence due to her broken leg. It was a well attended event, eleven municipalities were represented. At the meeting Dr. Joseph Marrone addressed the need for Quaker Valley School District to build a new high school. The new Executive Director of the Quaker Valley Council of Governments Susan Hockenberry spoke to the group about her goals for the QVCOG and provided an explanation for the increased cost for the dues.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Earlier today a call was received from Norfolk Southern Rail Road's track supervisor regarding their plans to close the railroad crossing for asphalt paving from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. November 28 – 30<sup>th</sup>. The Borough Secretary immediately apprised the police, fire, ambulance authorities, school district, and contacted Kevin Kirwan at the

P.U.C., and the offices of Senator Rothfus and Representative Mustio. Mr. Kirwan contacted Michael Payne, supervisor of Norfolk Southern's project, and the railroad agreed to provide access and have steel plates on hand to allow the passage of individual vehicles during the paving project.

Numerous attempts have been made to contact Sarah Jezo owner of 1501 Beaver Road, Block and Lot No. 343-F-154. Her written consent is required on the Sycamore Road Right of Way Dedication Plan and Right of Entry Agreement for the Sycamore Road Project. Certified letters have been returned to the Borough as undeliverable. The Borough Secretary is awaiting a response, after submitting a Right to Know Request to the Sewickley Post Master requesting information on a forwarding address for Sarah Jezo.

Jordan's "Delinquent Real Estate Tax" report remains the same as last month:  
\$8,728.81

President Huddleston signed the Engagement Letter for the services of the Cohen Law Group to assist in the cable franchise renewal negotiations with Verizon.

\$6,000 was approved in the 2016 Budget for updating and codifying the Borough's ordinances. Council advised the Borough Secretary to contact General Code and move forward with codification of the Borough's ordinances at the cost of \$5,832. Solicitor Stone noted that Shaler and Aleppo Townships just completed having their ordinances updated and codified and the entire process took nearly one year. Therefore, we should expect at least six months to a year for ours to be completed.

### **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Council agreed that the water drainage issues with Mrs. Hagerty's curbs have been resolved. The Borough Secretary will advise her to call President Huddleston if she has any questions.

Solicitor Stone will review the CMW contract carefully and advise Council at the next Council meeting.

John Orndorff expressed concern regarding applying for another MR4 Wavier. Solicitor Stone advised consulting Borough Engineer Ray Antonelli to see if we need to act upon this.

President Huddleston has advised Borough Engineer Ray Antonelli to notify Sewickley Borough immediately when the Hare Lane generator is turned on and becomes active.

Bill Monski reported that the D.E.P. project along Glen Mitchell Road is moving along slowly. They have been encountering more difficulties than expected.

### **BILLS**

A check detail was included in the packet sent to Council, Mayor, and the Solicitor. Jim Cohn motioned payment of the bills. Bill Monski seconded the motion. Council was polled, and all voted yes to approve the motion.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Yesterday President Huddleston received a call from QVSD Director of Administrative Services Dr. Joseph Marrone advising that Northway Christian Community has requested to hold Saturday night services at 7:30 p.m. at Osborne Elementary School. Many questions and concerns arose among Council members. Mayor Carrier suggested that parking could become an issue. Solicitor Stone explained that if the church wants to expand their use of the school, they need to obtain the Borough's approval. Solicitor Stone will review the consent agreement. President Huddleston will consult with Solicitor Stone and respond to Dr. Marrone. He will request they use parking other than on the streets, as a courtesy to our residents.

### **FINANCE**

Thomas Huddleston thanked Holly Merriman for her excellent job preparing the 2017 Budget. He also thanked Council members for all the input they provided to Mrs. Merriman.

\$200,000 for stabilization of the Sycamore Road wall represents the largest item in the 2017 Budget. John Orndorff advised that an additional \$20,000 needs to be added to the 2017 Budget for engineering services for stabilization of Sycamore Road.

Due to the enormity of the Sycamore Road Wall Stabilization Project, a shortage of \$82,000 is foreseen in 2017.

On motion of Thomas Huddleston, seconded by Bill Monski, Council voted 5 – 1, to introduce the proposed 2017 Budget, and a tax ordinance with a proposed millage rate of 5.2 for 2017, and authorize the Secretary to advertise both for adoption at the December Council Meeting.

Mary Scalercio announced that Cochrane Hose Company would assist with the Holiday Tree Decorating at Osborne Elementary School on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:45 p.m.

At the request of President Huddleston, at 9:40 p.m. Council recessed to Executive Session. Council reconvened at 10:05 p.m. into regular session.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on motion of Jim Cohen, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 6 – 0, to adjourn at 10:07 p.m.

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Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary