## GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH MINUTES OF JULY 15, 2014 COUNCIL MEETING

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in the Sewickley Public Library on Tuesday, July 15, 2014. Vice President John Orndorff called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting: Council: James Cohen, Holly Merriman, Louis Naugle, John Orndorff, and Mary Scalercio (arrived 7:45 p.m.)

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

#### **APPROVAL OF JUNE 17, 2014 MINUTES**

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. There being no changes, Holly Merriman moved the Minutes be approved, with a second by James Cohen. Council voted 4-0 to approve the motion.

# SECRETARY'S REPORT

Our August 19, 2014 Council meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Library's conference room. At that time we will hold a Public Hearing regarding adoption of an amendment to our Zoning Ordinance pertaining to floodplain regulations.

Signed acknowledgments of the legal hold memorandum were collected from all in attendance. They will be sent to Scott Thistle at Cohen & Grigsby.

At Tom Huddleston's request, another conference call has been scheduled with Scott Thistle and Tom Soehl for Monday, August 4, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. An email with the dial-in number and passcode has been sent to Council, Mayor, and the Solicitor.

The QVCOG will hold a Recycling Day on November 1, 2014 behind the Sewickley Municipal Building from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Carrier reviewed several incidents from the June police report. Several residents contacted the police regarding magazine solicitors who did not have permits. Solicitor Stone explained that solicitation permits are required for commercial purposes or if a financial transaction takes place at the door. Permits are not required for solicitation of a religious or political nature, the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, or registered 501(c)(3)'s.

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#### PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Jim Cohen reported that he, Mary Scalercio, and Mayor Carrier have been exploring the possibility of installing electronic signs that would display a driver's actual speed while driving along Beaver Road from either direction. Jim Cohen has been researching the total cost for the electronic signs. Duquesne Light has offered to set up the electrical connections for the signs at no charge. The cost to operate both signs would be approximately \$16 per month. Mr. Cohen needs to obtain the exact cost of the signs. The estimated total cost for the signs and installation is between \$7,000 and \$8,000.

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

John Orndorff reported that he obtained the expenses incurred for work performed by John Wick on the Wauro property. Solicitor Stone will lien the expenses and make a claim with the estate.

John Wick's request for purchasing "replacement" safety cones was tabled until John Orndorff can research if the safety cones would be explicitly for Borough use.

Mr. Orndorff reviewed Duquesne Light's LED Street Light Conversion Program. The Borough has 77 lights. Each LED light would save \$23.28 per year in electricity costs. The cost to replace each light is \$109. (That is the cost for Duquesne Light to remove the old light. There will be no charge to install the new LED light). The cost for removing an old light would be recouped in approximately five years. Duquesne Light has offered to replace ten lights per year, per municipality. Additional lights may be replaced if applied for and other municipalities have not used their allotments. Council agreed that additional information needs to be obtained in order to make a determination regarding participating in this program. John Orndorff will follow up and present his findings at the next Council meeting.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Holly Merriman reported that the Borough's 2013 Annual Audit has been advertised and filed with Allegheny County, and it appears on our website.

Mrs. Merriman reported that a retainer fee has been paid to Cohen & Grigsby for their services to represent the Borough in the DEP investigation.

#### **PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Mary Scalercio advised that a group photo of Council for the website is scheduled to be taken at the September Council meeting.

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Mary Scalercio and Barbara Carrier met with Edgeworth Borough Manager Marty McDaniel and Sewickley Borough Manager Kevin Flannery. At this point in time, Edgeworth and Sewickley are not interested in pursuing the joint application for a grant for the Route 65 Corridor Enhancement.

Mary Scalercio reported that according to Bill Boswell, there was only a verbal agreement regarding the property where the Zach Spark's bench has been located for the past ten years. Ray Antonelli needs to be contacted to determine if this bench is located in the Borough's right of way. The bench is very weathered. John Wick provided an estimate of \$450 to recondition the bench. Jim Cohen obtained an estimate from another source for approximately \$200 to sand it and apply multiple coats of polyurethane. On motion of Mary Scalercio, seconded by Holly Merriman, Council voted 5-0 to approve up to \$250 to have the Zach Spark's bench reconditioned by the person Jim Cohen contacted.

# **PLANNING COMMISSION**

A copy of the letter from our Solicitor, sent to Kay Pierce Manager of Allegheny County Economic Development, regarding the draft of a proposed amendment to our Zoning Ordinance which would adopt floodplain regulations to comply with PEMA (Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency) will be emailed to members of the Planning Commission.

## **BILLS**

A Check Detail was included in the packet sent to Council, Mayor, and the Solicitor. John Orndorff motioned payment of the bills. Holly Merriman seconded the motion. Council was polled, and all voted yes to approve the motion.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on motion of Barbara Carrier, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 5-0 to adjourn at 8.56 p.m.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary