

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES OF MAY 16, 2017
COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in Sewickley Borough Municipal Building, on Tuesday, May 16, 2017. President Thomas Huddleston called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting:

Council: Holly Merriman, John Orndorff, Mary Scalarcio, Thomas Huddleston

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

VISITORS

Bill Boswell, 405 Hare Lane, Sewickley, PA 15143

President Huddleston welcomed the visitor. Bill Boswell, resident of 405 Hare Lane, requested that the Borough remove two trees that fell down, in the right-of-way near the Hare Lane pump station, during the storm on May 2, 2017. President Huddleston stated the Borough will address his request by the end of fall.

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 18, 2017 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 Mary Scalarcio. Council voted 4 – 0, to approve the motion.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Carrier stated that the police continue to monitor traffic in the school zone during the morning. Several residents thanked the Mayor for the Borough's addition of weekly recycling. Representatives of the Sewickley Community Fund spoke at the Mayors & Presidents Breakfast, April 22, 2017.

Mayor Carrier and President Huddleston served as moderators at a very productive meeting held with the Colonial Place residents, and hosted by Carol Mitchell, CEO/President of the Verland Community Living Arrangements, (VCLA).

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Nationwide Insurance reimbursed the Borough for all expenses incurred from the February 10, 2017 multi-vehicle accident, minus the \$250 deductible.

Our insurance will not cover removal of the trees in the right-of-way near the Hare Lane pump station that fell due to 50 miles per hour winds during the storm on May 2, 2017. However, all expenses for repairs to reconnect the electrical power lines and restore power to the Hare Lane pump station will be covered.

After First National Bank underwriters declined the Borough's loan application, the Borough Secretary spent several hours with FNB's branch manager carefully reviewing the Borough's expenses and financial records. Our loan request is in the process of a second review. We should receive a final decision shortly.

This month we received over \$10,000 in real estate transfer tax. However, no property sales are anticipated in June, nor any real estate tax revenue in the month of June.

President Huddleston thanked Diane Vierling for her dedication and the excessive number of hours she has been putting in handling multiple projects and situations for the Borough.

PUBLIC SERVICES

Mary Scalarcio will contact John Wick to recondition Sparks bench. The Borough Secretary will contact Peter Hayes to inquire if he has made a decision regarding purchasing a bench for the Borough in honor of his father.

PUBLIC WORKS

John Orndorff reported that he contacted Ray Antonelli and obtained maps of Beaver Road storm sewers. John Wick will look for blockages.

Ray Antonelli sent a letter to Allegheny County requesting additional time to decommission Pump Station Number 2.

On motion of Tom Huddleston, seconded by John Orndorff, Council voted 4 - 0, to opt in and participate in Allegheny County's Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program for the next three federal fiscal years beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021 (CDBG Years 44-46).

President Huddleston expressed concern regarding a stump that was paved over by GeoStabilization when completing the Sycamore Road retaining wall.

President Huddleston also expressed concern about the miscalculation of the size of propane tanks needed as backup power for the Hare Lane Pump Station. He is very concerned about Ray Antonelli's latest proposed request for two 100 pound tanks of propane. Council agreed, and other options need to be considered.

PA DEP has capped the well along Glen Mitchell Road. However, the DEP is just beginning the process of obtaining bids for the landscaping/beautification process. Therefore, it will be fall before landscaping and beautification of the hillside can begin. The concern about the potential of a major landslide is of paramount importance. Tom Huddleston will contact the Regional Director of the PA DEP, Brian Schimmel, for his assistance to expedite the landscaping process.

FINANCE

Megan Amoroso has begun working as our summer intern. She will assist Code Enforcement Office Nancy Watts with scanning files, and assist Diane Vierling with special projects.

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Holly Merriman reported that our cash flow is currently low due to unusually high current expenses (Sycamore Road retaining wall project) and our real estate tax revenue not arriving until the end of June. Money for paving Sycamore Road will not be available in the immediate future.

BILLS

A check detail was included in the packet sent to Council, Mayor, and the Solicitor. Payment of checks #4383 and #4396 will be withheld until more information is obtained regarding the long-term stability of the tree stump that was paved over, instead of being removed, during the Sycamore Road retaining wall project. President Huddleston requested conferring with GeoStablization and Garvin Boward Beitko Engineers, and Ray Antonelli. Holly Merriman motioned payment of the bills, with the exception of check #4383, \$137,250.00 for GeoStabilization International, LLC, and check #4396, \$12,803.60 for Garvin Boward Beitko Engineering, Inc., subject to final approval of the Public Works Committee. Mary Scalarcio seconded the motion. Council was polled, and all voted yes to approve the motion.

OLD BUSINESS

It appears we will exceed the 90 day limit for submission of the Sycamore Road Right-of-Way Dedication Plan. The mortgage for 1501 Beaver Road was sold to another mortgage company and is HUD loan. As requested, specific information has been submitted to the mortgagee. However, we have not received a response.

Mayor Carrier provided an update regarding the use of the fire pit at Mary Roberts Rinehart Nature Park. The Board of MRRNP has agreed to put a fence around the supply of firewood, and padlock it.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Mary Scalarcio, Council voted 4 – 0, to adjourn at 9:11 p.m.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary

