

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES OF AUGUST 21, 2018
COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in the Sewickley Public Library, on Tuesday, August 21, 2018. 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, James Cohen, Holly Merriman, William Monski, John Orndorff, Mary Scalercio

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

VISITOR

Kaitlin Newman, 1205 Colonial Place, Sewickley, PA 15143

On behalf of the “Osborne Lane Corridor,” Glen Osborne resident Kaitlin Newman attended the meeting. She asked Council for permission to close Colonial Place on Saturday, October 14, 2018, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in order to hold a block party. Council unanimously approved the request.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 19, 2018 MINUTES

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. On the motion of Jim Cohen, seconded by Bill Monski, Council voted 6 – 0, to approve the Minutes.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Carrier reported that, other than numerous heavy rain storms, it had been a calm month in the Borough.

The new school year begins this week. Jim Cohen will resume an active role monitoring school zone safety.

Mayor Carrier advised that Police Chief Manko is not in favor of issuing fines for police calls that result in "false alarms."

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Immediately after the June Council Meeting, the Borough Secretary contacted Kay Pierce, Manager of Allegheny County Economic Development, and submitted the Borough's application for Allegheny County's Act 167 Municipal Grant Program. On June 25, 2018, Glen Osborne Borough was awarded a grant in the amount of \$2,000. The funds can be used for costs associated with developing and adopting a stormwater management ordinance in compliance with the plan adopted by PA DEP on May 31, 2018. This ordinance must be adopted and enacted by December 1, 2018. President Huddleston requested that Solicitor Stone immediately move forward with drafting this ordinance. Solicitor Stone will also consult Borough Engineer Ray Antonelli, with the preparation of this ordinance.

The Borough received \$2,850 Real Estate Transfer Tax from Allegheny County for the month of June from the sale of 1503 Grand View Way and 1469 Beaver Road. For the month of July, the Borough received \$1,470 Real Estate Transfer Tax from the sale of 1449 Beaver Road.

Among August's payments is a check to Osborne Trail & Park Association, Inc. for \$3,500. This is the second payment of \$3,500 issued to Osborne Trail

& Park Association, Inc. \$7,000 was allocated in the Borough's 2018 Budget for this association. These funds are used for Mary Roberts Rinehart Nature Park.

Also, among August's payments is a \$872 check payable to Duquesne Light for the LED Street Light Conversion Program to convert the Borough's remaining sodium vapor lights.

David Lowe resigned from the Zoning Hearing Board. Earlier this month David and Nancy Lowe sold their house on Sycamore Road and are moving to Florida.

The Borough received \$401 from the Public Utility Commission from the Act 13 UGWF Marcellus Impact Fee for 2017 revenue reported. This represents an increase of over \$100 of last year's payment.

Allegheny County Health Department distributed rabies vaccine baits for wild raccoons throughout Allegheny County August 6 – 17, 2018. Over the past 17 years this program has significantly reduced human and pet exposure to rabies.

Norfolk Southern Railroad is planning to conduct work and repaving along the rail crossing at Route 65 and River Road. This should occur in late September or October.

Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Graff continues to monitor the properties that received notices of violation of "property maintenance." He personally met with the owner of 1426 Beaver Road, and significant improvement should occur within the next ten days.

Columbia Gas has begun the "Gas Pipeline Replacement Project." Work is currently taking place along Beaver Road in front of Osborne Elementary School.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Stone reported that after nearly a year, he received a response from Haysville Borough's solicitor regarding the sinkhole on South Avenue. Since this involves boundary issues, Solicitor Stone recommended that Glen Osborne have a professional survey of the boundary between Glen Osborne and Haysville. Solicitor Stone received a proposal of \$6,500 from Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc.

John Orndorff noted that in June NIRA proposed \$13,000 as the cost for a complete survey of the boundary. President Huddleston asked the Borough Secretary to forward NIRA's proposal to Solicitor Stone. Solicitor Stone will compare the scope of services described in NIRA's \$13,000 proposal with the services Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc. would provide for \$6,500 to complete their survey of the boundary.

On motion of Tom Huddleston, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 6 – 0, to engage Lennon, Smith, Souleret Engineering, Inc. to conduct a complete survey of the boundary between Glen Osborne Borough and Haysville Borough, at a cost of \$6,500, as long as their survey would encompass a “survey of the entire boundary.”

Solicitor Stone provided an update on the salt shed negotiations with Sewickley Heights Borough. As talks progress with Haysville and Sewickley Hills, he will prepare a licensing agreement and an intergovernmental agreement.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Jim Cohen reviewed his discussion with Chief Manko regarding the Critmore Building. Chief Manko does not want to bill for false alarm calls.

Tomorrow Jim Cohen will monitor the school zone safety during the first day of school, and continue doing so throughout the school year.

PUBLIC SERVICES

Mary Scalercio reported that the committee needs to review additional data before making a recommendation regarding Fern Hollow Nature Center's "Partnership Levels of Support."

New Glen Osborne flags have been purchased to replace the ones that are old and faded. John Wick will hang the flags within the next two weeks.

PUBLIC WORKS

John Orndorff reviewed the report prepared by John Wick after his annual check of the storm sewer system. There are major concerns at the corner of Center and River Road, and the corner of Railroad and Siebert Street which will be budgeted for accordingly in the 2019 Budget.

NIRA will be submitting two applications, completed by Bill Monski, for the "Dirt, Gravel and Low Volume Road" (DGLVR) grant program, for new storm sewers on Sycamore Road. The project was divided into phases at the recommendation of the funding agency in order to increase chances of obtaining funds. The total estimated "construction" cost of these projects is \$252,000. It is unlikely that both phases will be approved for grant funding. These costs will also be considered when developing the 2019 Budget.

FINANCE

Holly Merriman stated that the Borough is financially sound and real estate tax revenue has reached over 90% of the 2018 Budgeted amount.

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BILLS

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Bill Monski, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 6 – 0, to adjourn at 9:04 p.m.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary