

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES OF AUGUST 16, 2016
COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in the Sewickley Public Library on Tuesday, August 16, 2016. Vice President John Orndorff called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting:

Council: James Cohen, Thomas Huddleston (by phone), Holly Merriman, John Orndorff, Mary Scalercio

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

VISITORS

Dr. Regina Kettering, 1115 Beaver Road

Dr. Regina Kettering expressed her concerns regarding “Glen Osborne subsidizing expenses resulting from Sewickley’s decisions” especially with environmental issues.

John Orndorff discussed concerns received from Ellen Hagerty regarding her deteriorating curbs at 522 Boundary Street. Mr. Orndorff reviewed an estimate of \$1994 received from John Wick to repair Mrs. Hagerty’s curbs.

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 21, 2016 MINUTES

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

APPROVAL OF THE JULY 19, 2016 MINUTES

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Carrier stated that Council will hold a special meeting on Saturday, October 1, 2016. Council, Zoning and Planning Commission members will explore short and long term goals prior to the Borough's budgeting process.

July's Police Report was extensive. Over 25 citations were issued during the DUI Task Force Checkpoint.

Mayor Carrier reviewed a letter from Sewickley Borough Manager Kevin Flannery regarding participation in updating the Aleppo-Glen Osborne-Sewickley Joint Comprehensive Plan in 2017. On motion of Holly Merriman, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 5 - 0, to pursue interest and explore the cost for the Borough to participate in updating the Joint Comprehensive Plan in 2017. President Huddleston encouraged participation. He said this will be a 2017 budgetary issue and recommended putting it under the Mayor's Budget.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Borough Secretary reported receiving a \$26,207.71 settlement check from Nationwide Insurance. This check will cover the amount owed to Traffic Systems and Services (minus our \$250 deductible) for replacing the utility pole that was damaged on June 6, 2016, during an accident at the intersection of Route 65 and Beaver and River Roads. After subrogation the Borough expects reimbursement of the \$250.

On August 3, 2016, during a pre-application meeting, John Burger proposed ideas to Planning Commission members, Solicitor Stone and Borough Engineer Ray Antonelli for his Osborne River Club. Mr. Burger needs to submit a subdivision request to Code Enforcement Officer Nancy Watts.

The QVCOG received refuse bids from Waste Management, and BFI Waste Services of Pennsylvania, d.b.a. Republic Services of Pittsburgh. The lowest bids were from Waste Management. Council will select an option during our next Council meeting. A formal letter, copy of the option, signed acceptance form must be submitted by the Borough before October 12, 2016.

Solicitor Stone explained if the Borough chooses not to use the QVCOG to accept the bid, or reject the bid, the Borough must still competitively bid the refuse contract. The Borough is legally obligated to accept the lowest responsible bid.

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

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Stone reported that the Burger pre-application meeting occurred. John Burger needs to complete several steps before he can get his plan for the Osborne River Club in motion and officially file it for review by the Planning Commission. Mr. Burger will need to file subdivision and development plans.

Solicitor Stone stated Bill Monski's August 5, 2016 letter to Brian Schimmel with the PA DEP, summarized their August 3, 2016 teleconference and the Borough's concerns regarding the DEP's project along Glen Mitchell Road.

Solicitor Stone reported that prior to obtaining bids, Ray Antonelli is still in the process of compiling the bid –spec package for the design/build for the Sycamore Road project.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Jim Cohen reviewed a July 25, 2016 letter from PennDOT's District Traffic Engineer Todd Kravits, sent to Chief Ersher. The results of PennDOT's engineering and traffic study indicate that a left turn restriction from McKown Lane to Route 65 is not warranted. Also, PennDOT will replace the sign along Route 65 showing the incorrect spelling of McKown Lane with a new sign showing the proper spelling.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

On behalf of Council, Mary Scalercio delivered pastries to the Police to thank them for their service.

Mary Scalercio reported that we were advised by PennDOT not to paint the Jersey barriers along Glen Mitchell Road. Solicitor Stone explained the importance of following PennDOT's advisements.

Mary Scalercio stated that resident Kristin Wintermantel, 515 Glen Mitchell Road, offered to volunteer to help beautify the hillside above the Jersey barriers across the street from her house. Mayor Carrier will coordinate this "planting project" in the fall.

Mary Scalercio thanked the Borough Secretary for promptly sending welcome letters to new residents in the Borough.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

A motion failed to approve John Wick's plan and estimate for repairing Mrs. Hagerty's deteriorating curbs. Council will explore other options for rectifying this situation properly. Within the next month Council members plan to visit Mrs. Hagerty to express their concern for the proper replacement of her curbs at 522 Boundary Street.

FIANANCE COMMITTEE

Holly Merriman reported that the Borough's tax income is coming steadily. To date, we have received 75% of the Borough's real estate tax revenue.

Mrs. Merriman spoke with Grace Popovich at Keystone Tax Services and received a report of the residents who paid 2014 Earned Income Taxes.

BILLS

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

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On behalf of Council, to thank Maleet Gordon for her assistance while the Borough Secretary was on medical leave, Holly Merriman will purchase a thank you card and gift card.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Jim Cohen, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 5 – 0, to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary