

BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE, PA
COUNCIL MEETING
April 8, 2010

Council President Arthur Fairclough at 7:30 PM called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on April 8, 2010 to order.

Present, Arthur Fairclough, Rudy Micsko, Nathaniel Dysard, Lee Ann Miller, Ray Yeanish & Mayor Joe Giunta.

Also, present Blake Dunbar, Esq., Mike Galla Borough Manager, Gail Phillips Council Secretary, and Engineer, Ken Yerger

Absent:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: by the assembly

MINUTES: Dispense with the reading of the minutes of March 11, 2010 motioned by Rudy Micsko, seconded by Ray Yeanish. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of the minutes of March 11, 2010 motioned by Ray Yeanish and seconded by Rudy Micsko. All were in favor. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE: Aileen Johnson from the Schwenksville Library introduced herself to Council and talked about the programs for teens and children.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND TREASURERS REPORT Motioned by Nate Dysard and seconded by Ray Yeanish to pay the bills totaling \$41,696.66. All were in favor and the motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT: Rudy Micsko reviewed the March 2010 financial report with Council. We have received a notice from QuickBooks that as of May 30, 2010 QuickBooks 2007 and Payroll is no longer going to be supported. We will need to upgrade to QuickBooks 2010. The cost for both is \$439.16 if we purchase before May 15.

ENGINEERS REPORT: Ken Yerger reported that the survey crew for the Alleyway project was in the Borough this week. Ken is drafting the five legal descriptions and each one will have a plan attached. The documents will be given to Bob Brant's office and then he will provide the Borough with the easements, which will include the legal descriptions.

SOLICITORS REPORT: Blake Dunbar

Council has received a copy of the Solicitors report.

Dedication Of Forest Lane – Blake Dunbar opened the public meeting.

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An Ordinance adopting the Dedication of the key portions of Forest Lane has been advertised for enactment.

LEE ANN MILLER MOTIONED TO GO INTO A PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS THE DEDICATION OF FOREST LANE, SECONDED BY RUDY MICKSKO. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

The Public record will consist of a copy of the ordinance with the deeds of dedication, the proof of publication indicating that the ordinance was advertised in its entirety March 22, 2010.

The Borough is already doing maintenance for Forest Lane. The Borough will be submitting for a Community Block Grant, which is due April 30 for \$175,000 that will be used to reconstruct Forest Lane.

LEE ANN MILLER MOTIONED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #360 APPROVING THE ORDINANTION OF FOREST LANE. THERE BEING NO SECOND TO THE MOTION, ORDINANCE #360 WILL NOT BEEN ADOPTED.

For the record, Nate Dysard "in my personal experiences in government and local organization, I think it's a bad idea that Council decided to take this road, it's a huge expense to maintain and we have no income to maintain the road.:

For the record, Arthur Fairclough noted that the Borough has taken tax money for 35 years and the road should be ordained.

For the record, Ray Yeanish noted that two thirds of the police and fire calls came from that hill. It is a bad idea to take over Forest Lane with no money coming from the Association.

The Public Hearing was closed and the regular Council meeting resumed.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT: Chief Jim Keyser was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Gail Phillips read the report as follows, For the Month of March 2010, 10 calls, 91 men in service for a total of 7:20 minutes. Complete report on file at the Borough office.

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AMBULANCE REPORT: Gail Phillips presented the report of the Lower Frederick Regional Ambulance Corp. for March 2010 as follows, 9 calls for Schwenksville, 7 calls at the Colonnade. Complete report on file at the Borough office.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Joe Giunta

Report from the State Police for the month of March 2010 was 34 incidents

Joe received an email from Lee Ann in reference to an email from Randy Kershaw on the lack of Police presence at Schwenksville Elementary School. Drivers are speeding through the school zone. The email was forwarded to Lt. Buckley with no response as of tonight's meeting.

Email from Thomas Cangiani about speeding on Summit Ave. Mike responded that there is a work order in to the Authority for placing 25mph speed limit signs on Summit Avenue.

Mine Hill road will also be getting a speed limit sign installed.

Mayor Giunta, Mike Galla, Rick Young and Scott Roth had a meeting to talk about what to do with the Youth and the problems we have having with them. Suggestions to use Memorial Park for Frisbee Golf, Skate Park, Dog Park, etc.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT: Mike Galla

Road Maintenance:

Mike gave Council a copy of the five-year road plan. The three roads to start with are Second Street (Church to Centennial), Summit Avenue (Hillcrest to Woodland) and Church Street for a total cost of \$36,500.

MOTIONED BY NATE DYSARD AND SECONDED BY RUDY MICKO TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE WORK TO BE DONE ON SECOND STREET, SUMMIT AVENUE AND CHURCH STREET FOR A COST OF \$36,000. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

The Liquid Fuels account needs to be reimbursed \$14,000 per the Audit from Penn Dot of 2006 and 2007.

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The Grant for the Alleyway right of way presentation will be May 4 in front of the Economic Revitalization Board along with the amendment that was received.

At the Revitalization meeting, Gary Schneider asked if he attends a course in Community Planning would the Borough reimburse him for the cost of \$90.00.

MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY RAY YEANISH TO REIMBURE GARY SCHNEIDER FOR THE COMMUNITY PLANNING COURSE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE: Schwenksville was not recommended for National Historic District. The Borough has a great amount of newer construction.

REVITALIZATION TASK FORCE: Next meeting is April 12. Grant application draft is due by April 13.

ACTIVITY COMMITTEE: The committee would like to hold the Community Day May 15, 2010 in Meadow Park from 11am to 4pm.

MOTIONED BY NATE DYSARD AND SECONDED BY RUDY MISCKO TO HAVE THE ACTIVITY COMMITTEE HOLD COMMUNITY DAY MAY 15, 2010 IN MEADOW PARK FROM 11AM TO 4PM. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Council also approved installing temporary NO PARKING signage on Main Street.

The Schwenksville Fire Police have asked that there be NO PARKING on Main Street between Centennial Street and Maple Street.

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STREETS AND ROADS: Ray Yeanish opened the discussion of ordaining of Forest Lane Ordinance #360.

MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY RUDY MICKO TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #360 THE ORDINATION OF FOREST LANE, BUT WITH THE PREVISION NOT TO RECONSTRUCT THE ROAD UNTIL WE RECEIVE THE \$175,000 GRANT.

Borough Council vote:
Ray Yeanish – NO
Nathaniel Dysard – NO
Arthur Fairclough –YES
Rudy Micsko –YES
Lee Ann Miller - YES

PROPERTY: No report

STREET LIGHTING: No report

ALLEY WAY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: No report

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD: No report

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Next meeting will be Thursday May 13, 2010 @ 7:30 PM

It was motioned by Ray Yeanish seconded by Rudy Micsko to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 PM.
All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gail L. Phillips
Council Secretary