

BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE, PA  
COUNCIL MEETING  
March 11, 2010

Council President Arthur Fairclough at 7:30 PM called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on March 11, 2010 to order.

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

Also, present Robert Brant, Esq., Mike Galla Borough Manager, Gail Phillips Council Secretary.

Absent:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: by the assembly

**MINUTES:** Dispense with the reading of the minutes of February 18, 2010 motioned by Ray Yeanish, seconded by Rudy Micsko. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of the minutes of February 18, 2010 motioned by Rudy Micsko and seconded by Ray Yeanish. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**AUDIENCE:** There were no comments or concerns from the audience.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND TREASURER'S REPORT** Motioned by Ray Yeanish and seconded by Rudy Micsko to pay the bills totaling \$59,605.39. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**FINANCE REPORT:** Rudy Micsko reviewed the February financial report with Council.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** no report

**SOLICITORS REPORT:** Robert Brant

Council has received a copy of the Solicitors report.

**Dedication of Fourth Street:** Mr. Brant reported that his office is still waiting for the execution of the Deeds of Dedication from two more of the owners. Once received the Ordinance can be advertised and adopted which dedicates the cul-de-sac to the Borough.

**Dedication of Forest Lane:** The ordinance dedicating Forest Lane will be advertised for adoption at the April Council Meeting.

**FIRE COMPANY REPORT:** Chief Jim Keyser was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Gail Phillips read the report as follows, For the Month of February 14 calls, 118 men in service for a total of 5:51 minutes.

**AMBULANCE REPORT:** Jean Houpt presented the report of the Lower Frederick Regional Ambulance Corp. for February 2010 as follows, 13 calls for Schwenksville, 11 calls at the Colonnade.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Joe Giunta

Report from the State Police for the month of January was 30 incidents with one drug possession.

On Wednesday March 10<sup>th</sup> Joe and Rudy spoke with John Scioli, proprietor of John's Old School New Skool Barber Shop, and submitted to Council a copy of the meeting notes. The Borough is addressing these issues through the Revitalization Program.

The drug problem is being addresses by Trooper Denny Wright and Lt. David Buckley from the State Police Barracks.

There have been complaints about motorized bikes on the trail. Mike will notify the County of this issue.

Rudy and Joe will continue talking with each businessperson in the Community.

**BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT:** Mike Galla

**Montgomery County Community Revitalization Grant-Resolution**

The County suggested that the Borough separate the application into separate projects. Mike met with Brian O'Leary from the MCPC to discuss the Borough's preliminary grant application. Mr. O'Leary stated that the County would like to see the application separated into applications for each project.

Recommendation: Approve Resolution #2010-03 authorizing the filing of the Montgomery County Community Revitalization Program-Implementation Grant for the Meadow Park Lot and Authorize the Borough Manager to have Carroll Engineering provide construction costs for each project.

**MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY NATE DYSARD TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #2010-03 AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION MEADOW PARK LOT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Council authorized the Borough Manager to solicit cost information from the Borough Engineer to complete the grant information.

**Montgomery County Community Development Block Grant -Resolution**

The Borough has received both signed deeds of dedication from the Summit Condo Association and Park Place Association for Forest Lane. The Solicitor will prepare and advertise the ordinance in order for the Borough to take official dedication of the road at the April Council meeting. It has been discussed that the Borough would like to apply for a Community Development Block Grant in order to reconstruct Forest Lane. One of the grant requirements is for the Borough to pass a resolution authorizing the submission of a Community Development Block Grant.

*Recommendation:* Approve Resolution #2010-04 authorizing the submission of a Community Development Block Grant for Forest Lane.

**MOTIONED BY NATE DYSARD AND SECONDED BY RUDY MICSKOTO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2010-04 AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FOR FOREST LANE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTIONED CARRIED.**

**PennDot Review Letter – Request from Schwenksville Investment Properties, LLC.**  
Lee Ann Miller abstained from the discussion due to her interest with Schwenksville Investment Properties, LLC.

The Borough has received a letter from Integrated Engineering on behalf of Schwenksville Investment Properties, LLC, stating that there are items Penn DOT is requiring which they feel are excessive. Schwenksville Investment Properties, LLC would like to schedule a meeting with PennDot and have a representative from the Borough attend.

Al Manning representing Schwenksville Investment Properties LLC and Brian Spray, Engineer were present at the meeting.

Discussions about the items on the PennDot letter were discussed. Schwenksville Investment Properties LLC is now willing to comply with the realignment of Maple Street as requested by PennDot, but feel the installation of GPS time clocks, relocation of five utility poles, and construction of HP ramps on the opposite side of Main Street are excessive. The Borough Planning Commission agrees that the other requests are excessive.

Council authorized Mike to attend a meeting with PennDot to support Schwenksville Investment Properties LLC requests and if necessary, the Borough will send a letter to PennDot about the excessive requests.

**Correspondence:**

The Borough received a letter from Spring Mount Condo Association about the potholes. The Borough placed a work order with the Authority to fill the potholes and this work order has been completed.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE:** Chris Kraft submitted a letter to the Borough stating the Committee reorganized and that Pam Ruoff is now the Chairperson.

**REVITALIZATION TASK FORCE:** the Committee is required to have a draft of the preliminary plan done by April 13; Joe Nixon is working with the committee to meet this deadline.

**ACTIVITY COMMITTEE:** Community Day is scheduled for Saturday May 15, 2010. The Committee is looking for an MC for the day.

**STREETS AND ROADS:** Potholes have been filled. Cedar Street still has a problem with water when it rains. .

**PROPERTY:** No report

**STREET LIGHTING:** Light on 4<sup>th</sup> street needs a new bulb.

**ALLEY WAY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:** No report

**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD:** No report

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** Street sweeping will be done in April.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 8:32 p.m., Council met in Executive Session to discuss a real estate matter within the Borough.

The Council meeting resumed at 9:15pm.

**Alleyway Project:**

Lee Ann Miller abstained from all discussions & actions regarding the Alleyway project due to her interest with Schwenksville investment Properties, LLC.

**MOTIONED BY RAY YEANISH AND SECONDED BY RUDY MICKO TO  
AUTHORIZED THE BOROUGH MANAGER TO DRAFT A LETTER OF INTENT TO  
BE SIGNED BY ALL THE AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS. ALL WERE IN FAVOR  
AND THE MOTION CARRIED.**

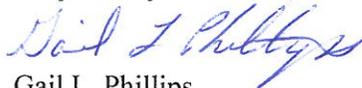
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**MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKO AND SECONDED BY RAY YEANISH TO AUTHORIZE THE BOROUGH MANAGER, TO DIRECT THE ENGINEER TO PROCEED WITH SURVEY OF ALLEYWAY, LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS AND PLANS AS APPROPRIATE AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000 ALONG WITH THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2010-02 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROGRAM-IMPLEMENTATION GRANT FOR THE PERKIOMEN TRAIL PARKING INITIATIVE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.**

Next meeting will be Thursday April 8, 2010 @ 7:30 PM

It was motioned by Rudy Micsko seconded by Ray Yeanish to adjourn the meeting at 9:19 PM. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

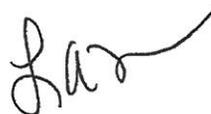


Gail L. Phillips  
Council Secretary

MEMO

To: Gail Phillips, Schwenksville Borough Secretary

From: Lee Ann Miller, Schwenksville Borough Council Member



Date: March 15, 2010

Re: Borough Council Meeting and Minutes of March 11, 2010

Pursuant to and in compliance with the Advice of Counsel dated August 15, 2008 from the State Ethics Commission, please keep this letter on file with the minutes of the above meeting, and confirm that the actions below are stated in the minutes.

At the meeting, I abstained from the following agenda items to avoid conflict of interest or the appearance of conflict of interest due to the fact that I am a partner in Schwenksville Investment Properties, which is currently developing a commercial property at 250 Main Street. As required, I publicly announced my abstention and the reason for the same.

- 1) I abstained from a discussion between Schwenksville Investment Properties representatives and Borough Council regarding a letter from PennDot with recommendations about the above project. No motions were made.
- 2) I abstained from all motions regarding proceeding with the Alleyway project, which took place following an Executive Session. This was because one end of the Alleyway requires access through the property at 250 Main Street.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

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