

Council President Arthur Fairclough at 7:30 PM called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on October 13, 2011 to order.

Present, Arthur Fairclough, Rudy Micsko, Ray Yeanish, Lee Ann Miller, Lisa Dull and Mayor Joe Giunta

Also, present Blake Dunbar Jr., Esq., Dave Leh, Gilmore Associates, Mike Galla, Borough Manager, and Gail Phillips, Council Secretary.

Absent

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: By the Assembly

MINUTES:

Dispense with the reading of the August 11, 2011 Council minutes and approve the August 11, 2011 Council minutes, as presented. Motioned by Rudy Micsko and seconded by Ray Yeanish. Arthur Fairclough was in favor. Motion carried. Lee Ann Miller was absent from the August meeting and Lisa Dull was not a member of Council at the time.

Dispense with the reading of the September 8, 2011 Council minutes and approve the September 8, 2011 Council minutes, as presented. Motioned by Ray Yeanish and seconded by Lisa Dull. Lee Ann Miller and Arthur Fairclough were in favor. Motion carried. Rudy Micsko was absent from the September meeting.

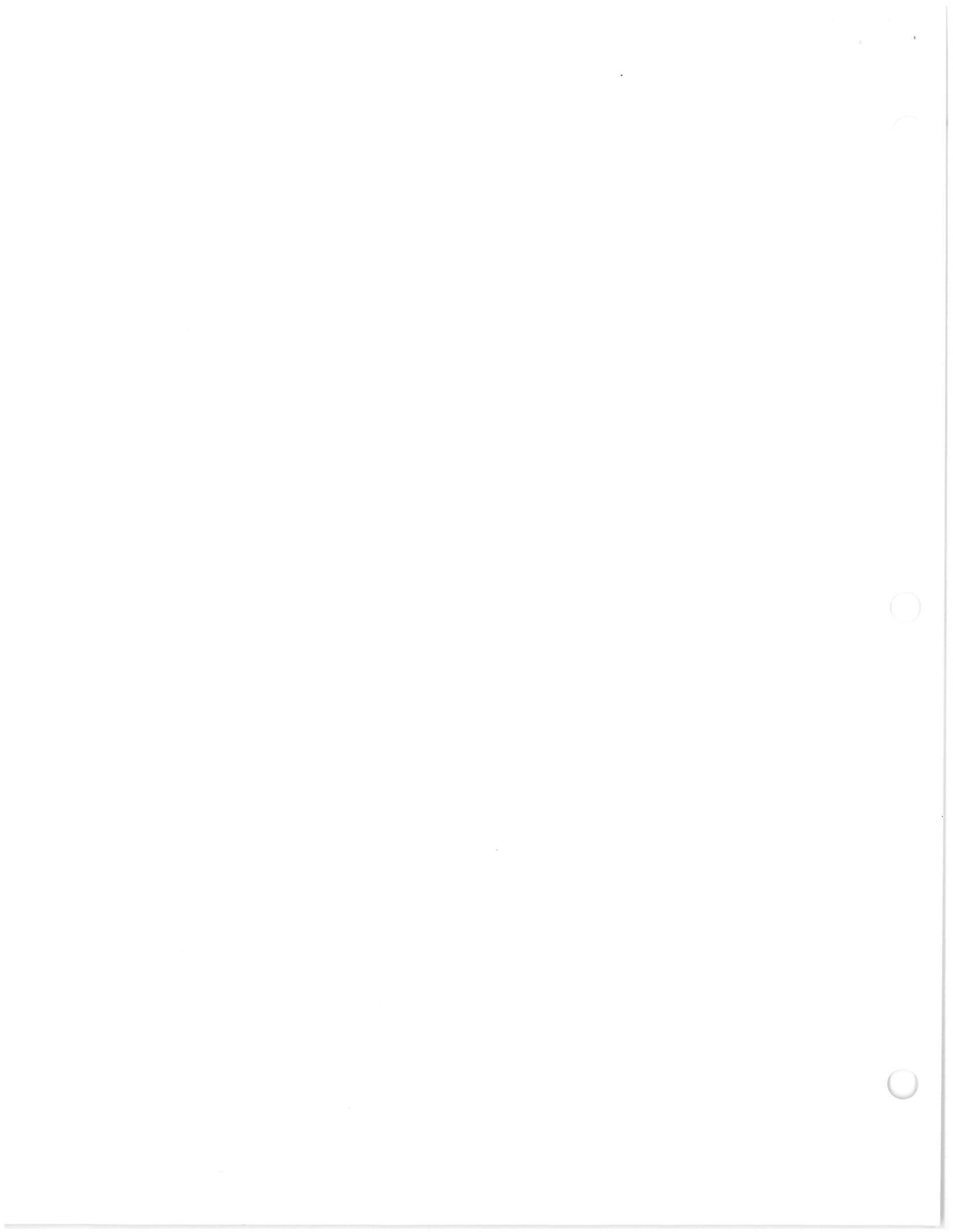
AUDIENCE: Sharon Rosenberger, 131 Third Street had a question about street cleaning and when it will be done. Mr. Galla told her that the street cleaning will be scheduled for November and then again in the spring.

Jim Rogers from the Central Perkiomen Rotary Club ask Council if they had any questions or concerns about the upcoming Halloween Parade which will be held on Thursday October 27, 2011 at 7:00pm. On line registration and information about the parade can be found on the website at www.centralperkrotary.org . Mr. Rogers also thanked Council for their continuing support.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND TREASURERS REPORT:

Gail Phillips reported that for the period ending September, 2011, the current invoices due for payment total \$46,066.16 This includes \$36,110.19 from the General Fund, \$1,096.84 from the Liquid Fuels Account, \$8,859.13 from payroll. Motioned by Ray Yeanish and seconded by Lisa Dull to pay the bills totaling \$46,066.16. All were in favor and the motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT: Rudy Micsko reviewed the September 2011 financial report with Council. Totals for the end of September – Assets \$732,271.78, Liabilities \$171,649.77, Equity \$560,622.01. Total Income \$412,229.97, Expenses \$354,423.63, Net Income \$57,806.34.



2012 Budget:

Rudy presented the draft of the 2012 Budget to Council.

SOLICITORS REPORT: Blake Dunbar Jr.

Council has received a copy of the Solicitors report.

Conditional Use Hearing – 110 Second Street

Mr. Dunbar announced that this is a Conditional Use Hearing on behalf of Abe Sauder, who has applied to Schwenksville Borough Council for a Conditional Use on May 19, 2010. The first exhibit introduced is Board Exhibit 1 which is the legal notice which indicates that there is a hearing this evening at Borough Hall on behalf of Abe Sauder 110 Second Street, Schwenksville, PA, the owner of the subject property located in the R-2 District. The Applicant is seeking Conditional Use approval pursuant to 176-138 of the Schwenksville Borough Zoning Ordinance to permit a 14' by 24' storage shed with a floor area which exceeds 450 sq. ft. for the property. Board Exhibit 2 will be the Proof of Publication from the newspaper indicating that this matter has been properly advertised. Board Exhibit 3 that the surrounding neighbors received notice of this hearing.

Mr. Dunbar Jr. stated that Mr. Sauder would like to place another shed beside the existing one.

Mr. Sauder addressed Council stating the shed is a one story structure and he is asking for relief of the square footage. Mr. Sauder also talked with the owner of the apartment building about going through his parking lot to have the shed delivered. The owner did not see a problem with that. He did ask Mr. Sauder about the color of the shed. Mr. Sauder told him it would be the same color as the house.

Mr. Dunbar Jr. “ As a conclusion I ask Mr. Sauder to indicate that this shed in your view will not affect the immediate safety or health of the neighborhood or the general welfare of the public. Mr. Sauder answered “It will not”.

Mr. Dunbar Jr. asked if there were any questions or concerns from Council. The hearing is now closed at 8:06 pm.

MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO APPROVE MR. SAUDER’S CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION AS SUBMITTED. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Master Casting’s agreement with PENN DOT.

MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY RUDY MICKSKO TO EXECUTE THE MASTER CASTINGS AGREEMENT AND RESOLUTION 2011-09. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.



AMBULANCE REPORT- Jean Haupt read the report for the month of September 2011; there were eight calls for Schwenksville and seven calls for the Colonnade. Entertainment books are on sale and available at the ambulance office.

ENGINEERS REPORT – David Leh reported that the Centennial Street Culvert has layers of stones that have been dislodged. A structural engineer was called to inspect the culvert. The engineer stated the culvert needs to be replaced, but that it is not in danger of collapsing. A survey should be done to assess the damage.

MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKSKO AND SECONDED BY RAY YEANISH TO HAVE A PRELIMINARY SURVEY DONE BY THE ENGINEER NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT: Chief Jim Keyser read his report as follows, for the Month of September 2011, six calls, 47 men in service for a total of 2:16 minutes in service.

Chief Keyser also informed Council of the following activities:

1. October 15 - Fire Prevention at the Fire House
2. October 27 – Halloween Parade
3. November 6 – Bucket Brigade
4. November 26 or 27 – Put up Christmas Lights
5. December 4 – Chicken BBQ at our station
6. December 17 – Santa Visits in the town

Tent Rentals:

October 16 – 2 Rentals

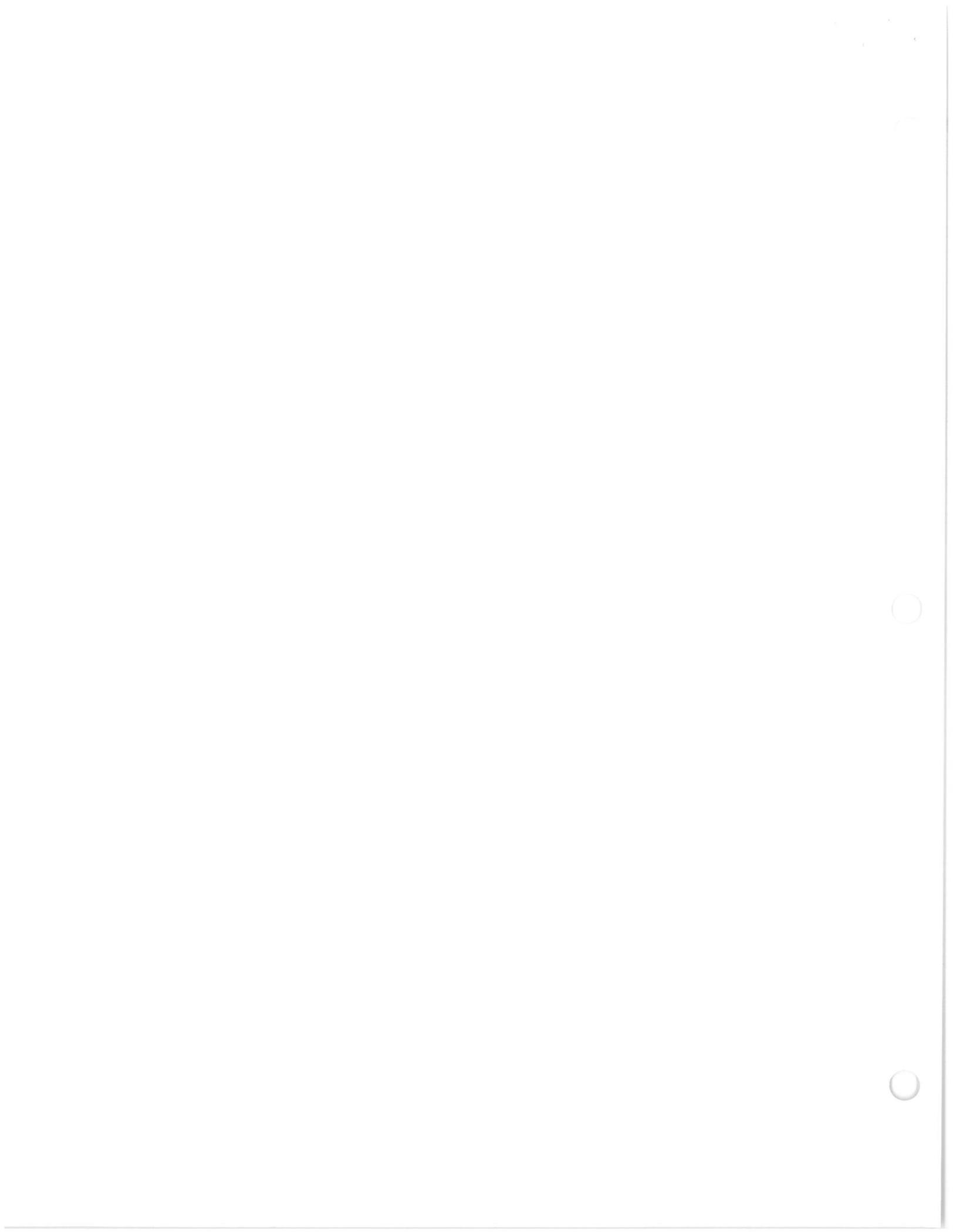
October 30 – 1 Rentals

November 6 – 1 Rental

Rich Beradi who was a member of the Schwenksville Fire Company passed away recently. Instead of flowers, the Fire Company has set up a scholarship fund in Rich's name. Mr. Fairclough suggested that council make a \$50 donation to the scholarship fund.

MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKSKO AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO MAKE A \$50 DONATION TO THE RICH BERADI SCHOLARSHIP FUND. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Joe Giunta reported that the State Police calls for the month of September 2011 were 39. All citizens should report any vandalism to the State Police when it happens.



There was one abandoned car towed. Owners will be given ample time to move their vehicles from the road that have expired registration or inspection.

The Mayor's Association dues of \$50 will be paid.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT – Mike Galla reports:

The Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy has applied for a TreeVitalize grant. This grant would be used to plant trees and shrubs within the Meadow Park along the Perkiomen Creek. The borough would help by asking for volunteers to help with the planting. By planting these trees and shrubs it will help decrease bank erosion. The Watershed is looking for a letter of approval from Council.

MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY RAY YEANISH TO HAVE THE BOROUGH PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM AND SEND A LETTER OF SUPPORT AND HAVE THE APPROVAL OF THE DESIGN. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Currently the Borough uses the Authority to perform miscellaneous jobs. Mr. Galla has talked to Eric Nesbitt who has many years of experience performing carpenter jobs and other handyman type work. Mr. Nesbitt has his own insurance which was reviewed by Bob Brant's office. Mr. Nesbitt is willing to perform miscellaneous jobs at a rate of \$25 per hour.

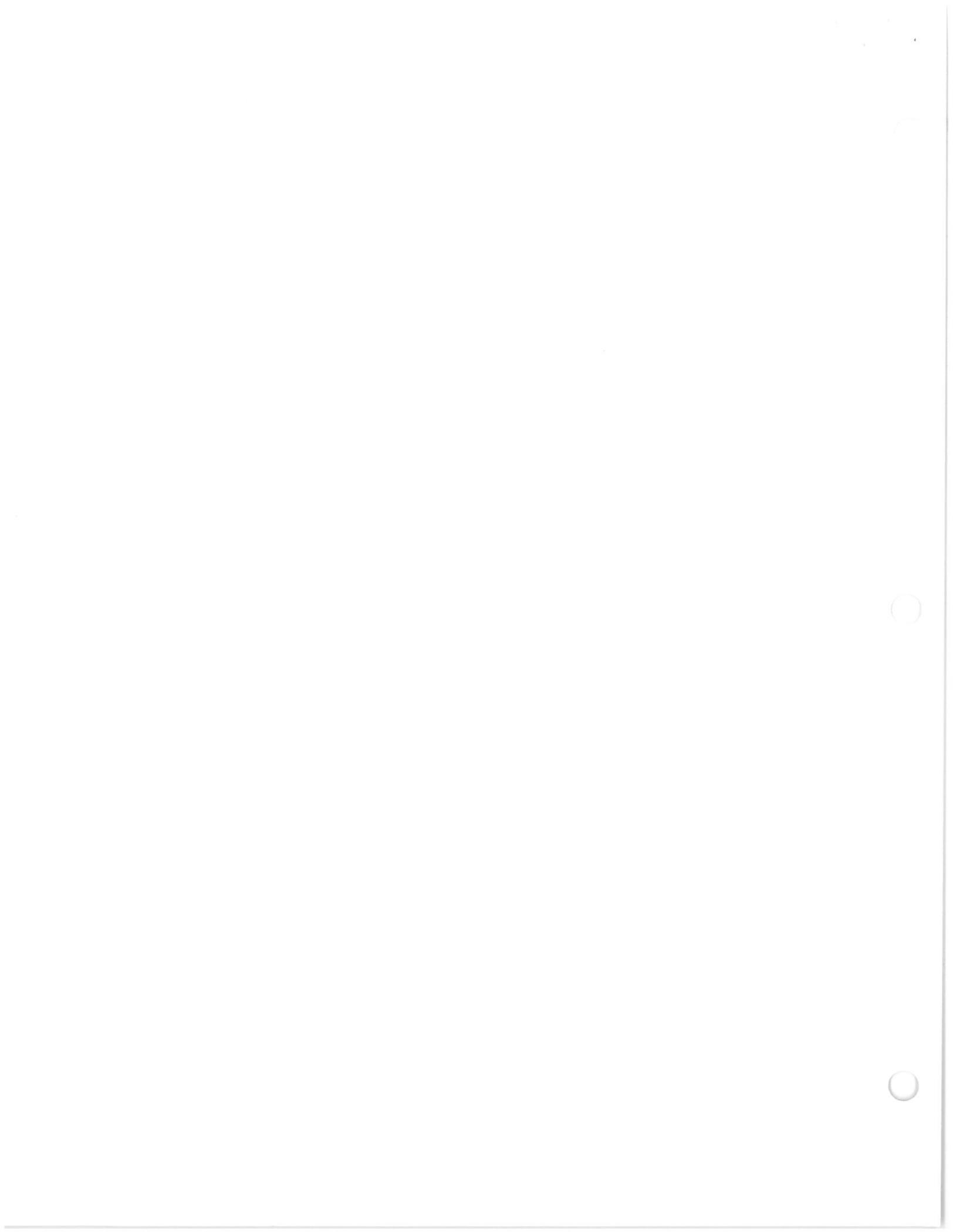
MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKSKO AND SECONDED BY RAY YEANISH TO APPROVE ERIC NESBITT AS HANDYMAN FOR THE BOROUGH AT \$25 PER HOUR. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Confidential Contact Resolution: Berkheimer is requesting each municipality pass a resolution stating who is authorized to request and receive tax information. The draft Resolution 2011-10 appoints the Borough Manager and Council President as being able to request and receive tax information.

MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKSKO AND SECONDED BY LEE ANN MILLER TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2011-10 TO AUTHORIZE THE BOROUGH MANAGER AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO REQUEST AND RECEIVE TAX INFORMATION FROM BERKHEIMER. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence:

- Lee Ann Miller received a thank you note from Shirley and Ernie Culp to share with Council. Thank you for the cleanup and the new sidewalk blocks by the Ambler Savings bank. Also thank you for the sidewalk repair on Maple Street and the roadwork on Second Street.



- Nancy Moore owner of property at the North end of town also would like to thank Council for the parking spaces in front of her property.
- A Senator in Delaware County is introducing the Municipal Authorities Act which would allow the Authorities to handle Stormwater Maintenance Planning and charge a fee to each property owner.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE: The committee would like to be on the agenda for November to review the status and go over the proposed Historic Ordinance. The committee is doing a historical overlay survey and is hiring Bob Weiss. The committee is asking council for \$4,500. The budget for the committee is \$4,000.

MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY RUDY MICKO TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURES NOT TO EXCEED \$4,500 FOR THE HISTORIC OVERLAY SURVEY. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

REVITALIZATION TASK FORCE: A meeting will be held in November to discuss the mural program with a speaker. Also we will be discussing projects so grant proposals can be made.

A work session for council will be planned for January 2012

ACTIVITY COMMITTEE: No Report

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: The roofer was out to replace broken or missing slates; he also replaced a piece of molding on the north side of the building which had been rotted out.

STREETS AND ROADS: No Report

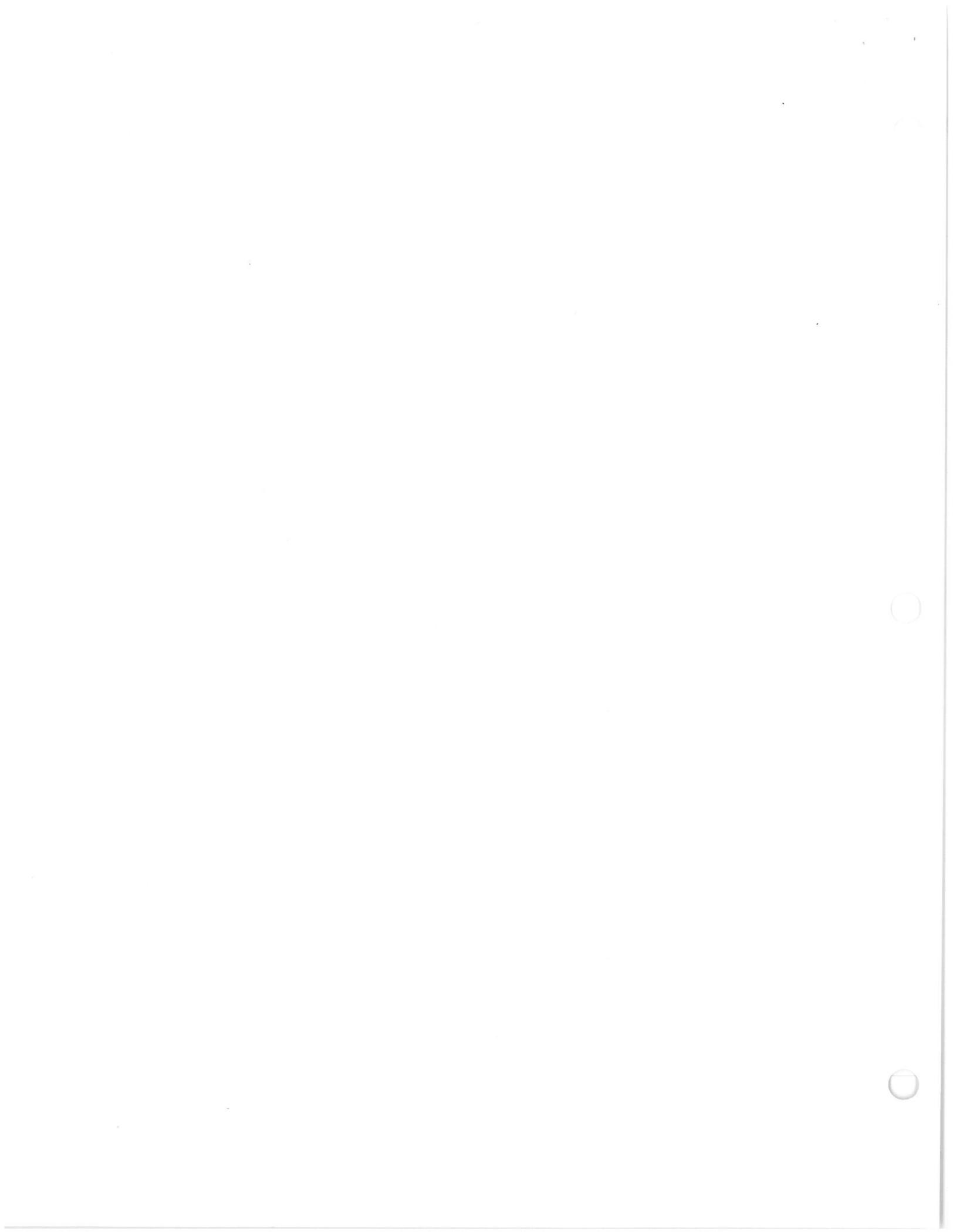
STREET LIGHTING: No Report

ALLEY WAY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: No Report

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD: No Report

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

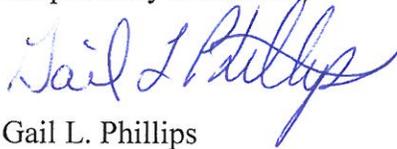


BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE PA
COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2011

Next meeting will be November 10, 2011 @ 7:30 PM

It was motioned by Rudy Micsko and seconded by Ray Yeanish to adjourn the meeting at 9:25pm.
All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gail L. Phillips
Council Secretary

