

BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE PA
COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 12, 2012

Council President Arthur Fairclough at 7:00 PM called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on April 12, 2012 to order.

Present, Arthur Fairclough, Lee Ann Miller, Lisa Dull and Mayor Joe Giunta.

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

Absent: Rudy Micsko and Ray Yeanish

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: By the Assembly

MINUTES:

The March 8, 2012 minutes cannot be approved tonight due to the absence of Ray Yeanish.

AUDIENCE:

Roy Miller of 320 Centennial Street wanted to know the status of the Centennial Street culvert. Mr. Galla stated that the Borough submitted paperwork to the state requesting disaster funding to replace the culvert. The Borough is waiting to be contacted by a FEMA project manager.

School Board Collaboration Meeting: Lisa Dull attended the meeting on March 28th. The premise of the meeting was a real willingness for all the Townships and Boroughs in the Perkiomen Valley School District to work together in promoting our area for future development and to try to get more business into the area. A steering committee has been formed and Lisa is a member.

Resolution Appointing Emergency Management Coordinator:

MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2012-05 TO APPOINT JIM KEYSER AS THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Irene from the Schwenksville Library attended the meeting to say thank you to Council for their support and to leave information for the summer programs.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND TREASURERS REPORT:

Gail Phillips reported that for the period ending March 31, 2012, the current invoices due for payment total \$37,374.44. This includes \$24,281.14 from the General Fund, \$1322.43 from the Liquid Fuels Account, \$11,770.87 from payroll. Motioned by Lee Ann miller and seconded by Lisa Dull to pay the bills totaling \$37,374.44. All were in favor and the motion carried.

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FINANCE REPORT: Rudy Micsko was absent. Mr. Fairclough reported that the Borough is receiving Earned Income Tax and the Liquid Fuels allocation has been received.

ENGINEERS REPORT – Mike Taggart reported that they are waiting for the contract documents from GorCon for the work on Forest Lane.

Solicitor’s Report – Blake Dunbar Jr. reported that the SPCA removed animals from the Fulton residence and that Ms. Fulton has moved out of the house.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT: Jim Keyser read the report from Mark Brasch as follows, for the Month of March 2012, 10 – Calls, 78- Firefighters Responded, 1 – Fire Police only call, 342 – Minutes in service.

April dates for Table and Tent Rentals: April 8, April 15, April 22 and April 29.

Fire Marshall – Jim Keyser reported that there is a BURN BAN in effect until further notice.

AMBULANCE REPORT- Gail Phillips read the report for the month of March 2012; there were eight calls for Schwenksville and eight calls for Greenfield of Perkiomen Valley.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Joe Giunta reported that the State Police calls for the month of March 2012 were 34. One wedding was performed at Borough Hall.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT – Mike Galla reports:

CDBG Application Update – The Borough submitted a CDBG application in the amount of \$195,000 to replace curb ramps on Main Street at Perkiomen, Maple, Church, Centennial, Walnut and Schwenk along with Second Street at Maple and Church.

Street Sweeping Update – Street sweeping will take place within the Borough on April 18th and 19th by Reilly Sweeping, Inc.

Lateral Ordinance - A lateral ordinance inspection program needs to be established per a requirement from DEP. Mr. Galla has given Council a copy of the draft ordinance to review. There are three events which would trigger potential inspections and replacement of laterals by property owners; transfer of property owner, Authority replacing the main and Authority performing routine inspections of the system. It is requested that Council reviews the ordinance and provides feedback.

Montgomery County Planning Commission Contract Resolution – The Montgomery County Planning Commission Contract was approved at the March meeting. Resolution 2012-06 formally approving the contract needs to be adopted.

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MOTIONED BY LISA DULL SECONDED BY LEE ANN MILLER TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2012-06 FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION CONTRACT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Authority Agreement – The Schwenksville Borough Authority passed an agreement to keep the labor costs at last year’s price for snow plowing, street maintenance, mowing etc. A motion and approval is needed for this agreement.

MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO APPROVE THE LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE SCHWENKSVILLE BOROUGH AUTHORITY. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Mowing Proposals – ProMark Landscaping, Inc. was the lowest bid out of the five bids received by the Borough to mow Borough Hall and Meadow Park. The cost from ProMark is \$80 to mow Borough Hall and Meadow Park.

MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT WITH PROMARK FOR THE MOWING OF BOROUGH HALL AND MEADOW PARK AT \$80 PER CUT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE: The committee is waiting for Wise Preservation to finish the changes to the historic survey forms.

REVITALIZATION TASK FORCE: Will be working on the Street Scaping Plan.

ACTIVITY COMMITTEE: Community Day is May 19th, rain date June 2nd. Cleanup day will be Saturday May 5th. Volunteers needed.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: No Report

STREETS AND ROADS: No Report

STREET LIGHTING: No Report

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD: The pavilion has been power washed and will be sealed.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

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Next meeting will be May 10, 2012 @ 7:00 PM

It was motioned by Lisa Dull and seconded by Lee Ann Miller to adjourn the meeting at 8:03pm.
All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail L. Phillips
Council Secretary