

Council President Darren Rash called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on January 12, 2017 to order at 7:00 PM at Schwenksville Fire Company 300 Main Street, Schwenksville, PA 19473.

Present, Darren Rash, Lee Ann Miller, Todd Larsen, Greg Pocius, Sarah Knickerbocker and Mayor Joe Giunta

Also, present, Blake Dunbar Jr. Esquire, David Leh, P.E, Anne Klepfer, Borough Manager, Secretary-Treasurer Gail Phillips.

Absent,

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Mayor's Report, Mayor Giunta read the State Police statistics of 17 incidents for December 2016.

Fire Company Report, Jim Keyser reported 5 calls for the month of December 2016, 24 Firefighters Responded, 2:53 Time in service. One call in Schwenksville, 2 calls in Lower Frederick, 1 call Upper Frederick 1 call Green Lane. Fire Company is always looking for volunteers.

Ambulance Report, Gail Phillips read the report for December 2016 stating Plymouth Community Ambulance had 6 calls for Greenfield Senior Living and 5 calls for the Borough. PCAA Memberships are available anytime; please call 610-277-2776 & ask for the billing department.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: No comments

ENGINEER'S REPORT: No Report

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Blake Dunbar Jr. reported that he recommends Council approve the 566 Main Street Tax Assessment Settlement Stipulation. This is for Carol Lynn Moran owner of 566 Main Street Schwenksville, PA 19473 in the amount of \$523.88. **Motion** by Lee Ann Miller **second** Greg Pocius to refund the \$523.88 to Ms. Moran. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Hoff Properties LLC Conditional Use Application: The hearing continued from the December 8, 2017 Council Meeting was reconvened. The Application for Conditional Use is for Section 176-95.2B(1)(b) To permit Disturbance of Steep Slopes Greater than the Permitted Limits, but Less than 40%. The following are exhibits:

B-1 Conditional Use Application of Hoff Properties, LLC dated November 2, 2016; B-2 Legal Notice to hold public hearing on December 8, 2016; B-3 Montgomery County Planning Commission review letter dated November 25, 2016; B-4 Schwenksville Borough Planning Commission Memo of December 2, 2016 recommending approval; B-5 Proof of Publication – Publication dates in the Mercury: November 22 and November 29, 2016; B-6 Correspondence dated

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December 6, 2016 from Applicant's attorney requesting a continuance and waiving the provisions of the Municipalities Planning Code, 53 P.S. § 10101 et seq. with respect to the time frame for commencing a hearing on the application; B-7 Draft Minutes of Borough Council meeting December 8, 2016 announcing the continued conditional Use Hearing date of January 12, 2017. In attendance, the applicant Mr. Hoff his attorney Mr. Carl Weiner and Mr. Hoff's Engineer Mr. Rick Mast. Mr. Mark Manjardi Official Court Reporter is responsible for the official transcript. **Motion** Lee Ann Miller **second** Greg Pocius to grant the Conditional Use to permit disturbance of steep slopes greater than the permitted limits, but less than 40% in accordance with the application. **All in favor, Motion carried 5-0.**

Hoff Properties LLC, SALDO – Request for Preliminary Approval – Resolution 2017-05 grants the Preliminary approval for Centennial Apartments Land Development submitted by Richard C. Mast Associates, PC subject to the conditions stated in the Resolution and Schwenksville Borough grants the waivers stated in the Resolution. **Motion** Lee Ann Miller **second** Todd Larsen to adopt Resolution 2017-05 Preliminary Approval for Centennial Apartments Land Development Plans. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

ACTION ITEMS – MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES:

Minutes: Dispense with the reading of the December 8, 2016 **Regular** Meeting Minutes and January 5, 2017 **Special** Council Meeting and approve the December 8, 2016 **Regular** Meeting Minute subject to amendments proposed by Blake Dunbar and January 5, 2017 **Special** Council Meeting. **Motion** by Lee Ann Miller and **seconded** by Todd Larsen. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer reports for December 31, 2016 submitted and payment of the Borough January 2017 bills, totaling \$44,817.02. **Motion** by Greg Pocius and **seconded** by Todd Larsen to approve the treasurer reports and to pay the bills totaling \$44,817.02. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Committee & Staff Appointments:

2017 Annual Appointments for Committees & Staff

Board & Committee Appointments

Planning Commission — 4-year Term - Gary Schneider
Zoning Hearing Board – – 3-year Term - Glenn Umberger
Borough Authority – - 5-year term - Greg Pocius
UCC Appeals Board – 1 year term - Jim Keyser

Staff & Consultants

Borough Manager	Anne Klepfer
Zoning Officer	Anne Klepfer
Secretary-Treasurer	Gail Phillips
Open Records Officer	Anne Klepfer
Assistant Open Records Officer	Gail Phillips

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Borough Solicitor: Brant & Associates, Blake
Dunbar Esq.
Borough Engineer: Gilmore & Assoc., David Leh, P.E.
Building & Plumbing Inspector/BCO: Code Inspections Inc., Tom Heisner
Code Enforcement Officer: Code Inspections Inc., Tom Heisner
Emergency Management Coordinator: Jim Keyser
Fire Marshall: Jim Keyser

So, moved: Lee Ann Miller Second: Todd Larsen
Comments or questions: None
All those in favor: 5 Opposed: 0

The motion and the appointments are Approved.

Authorize execution of Borough Authority Service Agreement:

There are no changes on the agreement from last year. **Motion** Lee Ann miller **second** Todd Larsen to execute the Borough Authority Agreement. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Resolution No. 2017-01- Borough Meeting Schedule for 2017 and Resolution No. 2017-02 - Borough Holidays Observed. **Motion** Todd Larsen **second** Greg Pocius to adopt Resolutions 2017-01 and Resolution 2017-02. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Resolution 2017-03 – 2017 Fee Schedule: Minor change in the Resolution include addition of a temporary road encroachment permit \$50; Zoning Opinion fee \$125.00. **Motion** Greg Pocius **second** Todd Larsen to adopt Resolution 2017-03. All in favor, Motion carried 5-0.

Resolution 2017-06 – Tax Collector Compensation was discussed. Wendi Rowley the Tax Collector for the Borough would like to continue to work with Council and submit better data to determine the compensation for the Tax Collector. Lee Ann Miller proposed to table until the February 9th Council meeting.

Resolution 2017-04 – PENNSEF Resolution – Authorized Signers: A financing agent was secured for the Street Light Program; the term is still twenty years for us; the interest rate is 3.05%. Mr. Pocius reviewed. **Motion** Lee Ann Miller **second** Greg Pocius to re execute the signing of the PENNSEF financing. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Finance Report: Mrs. Klepfer read the summary Financial Report. For the Period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016, total income for General Fund and Liquid Fuels Funds was \$581,798.10 and Total Expenditures was \$557,533.67 for a net gain of \$24,264.43. General Fund experienced a net gain of \$18,515.41. General Fund Assets total \$283,300.39, Capital fund Assets total \$26,639.33 and Liquid Fuels Fund Assets total \$28,245.56 for a combined Assets total of \$338,405.28.

Ballot Question- Local Police – Council discussed contracting for local police services from Lower Frederick Township at a cost of \$125,000 per year. An estimated 2mil tax increase for the Borough

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would be needed which is estimated at \$400 per household. Council decided that if the move forward with this project it can be placed on the Fall Ballot as a non-binding referendum. Mrs. Klepfer should confirm that it would be non-binding and continue to work a ballot question suitable to the County Board of Elections.

Committee Reports: Ms. Miller did mention the first public meeting is January 12, 2017 for the Swamp Creek Greenway and Sunrise Trail Feasibility Study. The study will determine the feasibility of a public trail network along the Swamp Creek from Schwenksville to New Hanover Township.

Revitalization Task Force: Ms. Miller reported that on December 4, 2016 a mural concept meeting was held.

Other Business: In attendance were 2 Boy Scouts from Troop 105 to observe the Council meeting and to ask questions. They also talked with Council members after the meeting.

Adjournment - Motioned by Greg Pocius and **seconded** by Todd Larsen to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 pm. **Motion carried 5-0.**

NEXT MEETING(S):

February 2, 2017 Planning Commission 7PM @ Borough Hall
February 9, 2017 Borough Council 7PM @ Borough Hall

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail L. Phillips
Secretary