

BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE PA
COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 19, 2012

Council President Arthur Fairclough at 7:00 PM called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on July 19, 2012 to order.

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

Also, present Blake Dunbar Jr., Esq., David Leh, Borough Engineer, Anne Klepfer, Borough Manager, and Gail Phillips, Council Secretary.

Absent: Ray Yeanish

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: By the Assembly

MINUTES:

Dispense with the reading of the April 12, 2012 Council minutes and approve the April 12, 2012 Council minutes. Motioned by Lee Ann Miller and seconded by Lisa Dull. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Dispense with the reading of the June 14, 2012 Council minutes and approve the June 14, 2012 Council minutes. Motioned by Rudy Micsko and seconded by Lisa Dull. All were in favor and the motion carried.

AUDIENCE: Alberta Lynch of 808 Summit Avenue was concerned about the progress of the Fulton house and why the clean-up has stopped. The trustee has been working on cleaning up the property. Anne Klepfer will talk to the trustee about the property.

Don Peters from Jerusalem Lutheran Church wanted to let Council know that the Church decided to pass on doing the striping for parking spaces on church Street and Second Street.

Don Peters also wanted to let Council know that they are willing to sell the parcel of land at the corner of Second Street and Centennial Street. He also noted that the Centennial Street culvert is full of debris and logs. Mr. Fairclough said the Borough will look at the culvert to see what needs to be done.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND TREASURERS REPORT: Gail Phillips reported that for the period ending June 30, 2012, the current invoices due for payment total \$110,769.77. This includes \$97,697.57 from the General Fund, \$2,241.49 from the Liquid Fuels Account, \$10,830.71 from payroll. Motioned by Lisa Dull and seconded by Rudy Micsko to pay the bills totaling \$110,769.77. All were in favor and the motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT: Rudy Micsko reviewed the June 2012 financial report with Council. Totals for the end of June— Assets \$756,940.39, Liabilities \$163,967.17, Equity \$592,973.22. Total Income \$383,234.68, Expenses \$264,836.73, Net Income \$118,397.95.

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ENGINEERS REPORT – Dave Leh reported that the work on Forest Lane is complete and the last payment is \$ 86,903.49 but that the Borough needs to hold the check until GoreCon Inc. produces the bond.

Boyer Lane repairs are complete.

Two new street signs will be ordered to mark Cherry Street.

Meadow Park drainage will begin on Wednesday July 18, 2012 by R J Sell.

Solicitor's Report – Blake Dunbar Jr. no report.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – No Statistic Report

No report from the Jim Keyser on Emergency Management.

AMBULANCE REPORT- Jean Haupt read the report for the month of June 2012; there were nine calls for Schwenksville and fourteen calls for the Colonnade.
2012 Membership Drive – Join Today.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Joe Giunta reported 33 calls from the State Police. No DUI's. Representative Marcy Toepel wrote a letter to PennDot supporting our application to have a speed limit display sign put on Main Street.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT – Anne Klepfer reports:

Meadow Park:

The DCNR grant for \$18,150 has been received by the Borough for the Meadow Park drainage project. Anne Klepfer needs to submit paperwork including title certifications and Scale Site development plans that include a property meets and bounds. Anne Klepfer would like a motion from Council to authorize the Engineer to begin working on the estimate costs and authorize the manager to work with the solicitor on the necessary certifications.

MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKO AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO AUTHORIZE THE BOROUGH ENGINEER TO WORK ON THE COSTS ESTIMATES AND AUTHORIZE THE MANAGER AND SOLICITOR TO WORK ON THE CERTIFICATIONS. ALL WERE INFAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy Tree-Vitalization Grant:

The Representative Krista Scheirer from the conservancy will be meeting with a member from the activity committee, Anne Klepfer, Dave Leh and Arthur Fairclough on Friday July 17, 2012 to discuss the buffer to be planted, plantings on either side of the stairs.

Meadow Park Request to Illuminate Flag Pole:

The Patriotic Order Sons of America would like to illuminate the flag pole at Meadow Park. More information is needed on who owns the pole and who would be responsible for the eclectic bill.

Perkiomen Watershed MS4 Program:

This program helps the Borough comply with our Stormwater Permit requirements. Anne Klepfer recommends the Benefactor level which includes training on some of the new requirements. The Borough Authority would also like to go to these trainings and will contribute to the additional \$500 this option includes. Anne Klepfer is looking for a motion for this program.

MOTIONED BY LISA DULL AND SECONDED BY LEE ANN MILLER TO APPROVE MEMBERSHIP LEVEL TO PERKIOMEN WATERSHED CONSERVANCY MS4 PROGRAM. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Ordinance to change 157 Game Farm Road to 161 Game Farm Road:

The change needs to be made because there are two (2) 157 Game Farm Roads with a Schwenksville Address. Lost mail and confusion will be settled with this change. The Montgomery County Emergency Services and the U.S. Postal Service are in favor of this change.

MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO ADVERTIZE ORDINANCE #369 TO CHANGE 157 GAME FARM ROAD TO 161 GAME FARM ROAD HERE IN THE BOROUGH. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Lateral Inspection Ordinance:

The ordinance would require repair or replacement of the sewer lateral if problems are seen during one of three inspection events:

- A. **Upon transfer of title of the property to which the private sewer lateral is connected (Article IV);**
- B. **The conveyance line to which the private sewer service lateral is connected, is replaced or repaired (Article V);**
- C. **Upon inspection of the sanitary sewer system by Schwenksville Borough Authority (SBA) personnel or, their authorized agent (s) (Article VI)**

MOTIONED BY RUDY MISCKO AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO FINALIZE THE LATERAL INSPECTION ORDINANCE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

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Sign Ordinance Adoption:

Lee Ann Miller met with Anne Klepfer to review Anne's memo on the sign ordinance. Section 176-131 should be repealed from the Ordinance for clarification of the ordinance.

MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL AUTHORIZE THE MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR THE REPEAL OF SECTION 176-131 FROM THE SIGN ORDINANCE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Wendi Rowley – Tax Collector:

Wendi has a tax payment that was dropped off at Borough Hall in April. Wendi picked it up in June. The check was not signed and Wendi gave the check back to the resident. The resident kept the check for an additional 3 weeks. The question is will the Borough accept the check for face value?

MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKO AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO ACCEPT THE CHECK FOR FACE VALUE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence:

Upper Salford Township request for Fire Police Assistance was mailed to Christine Napier, Fire Police Captain.

H.A. Berkheimer, Inc. EIT 2011 Audit Report is available.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE: Town Hall meeting will be held on Wednesday July 25, 2012 at 7:00pm at the Perkiomen Valley Library Schwenksville 2nd Street and Church Street. A sign in sheet and comment sheet will be available at the meeting.

REVITALIZATION TASK FORCE: The Task Force will be working on the Concept Plan for Main Street.

ACTIVITY COMMITTEE: Maureen Giacomucci resigned from the Activity Committee and Newsletter Editor.

Summer Concerts: August 15 and September 5 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: the Borough has received two quotes for the basement water problem. Lee Ann would like permission to except a proposal for Basement Dry System not to exceed \$4,750.

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MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO APPROVE THE REPAIR OF THE WATER PROBLEM IN THE BASEMENT OF BOROUGH HALL NOT TO EXCEED \$4,750. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

The air-conditioning needs to be addressed also for Borough Hall. This can be put in the budget for next year. Rudy Micsko has a unit in his garage and Anne will get proposals for the unit that cools.

STREETS AND ROADS: No Report

STREET LIGHTING: No Report

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD: No Report

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Anne has agreed to be the Open Records Officer.

Next meeting will be August 9, 2012 @7:00pm

It was motioned by Rudy Micsko and seconded by Lisa Dull to adjourn the meeting at 8:48pm. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail L. Phillips
Council Secretary