

BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE, PA
COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 12, 2014

Council President Rudy Micsko at 7:00 PM called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on June 12, 2014 to order.

Present, Rudy Micsko, Lee Ann Miller, Lisa Dull, Joe Homan and Mayor Joe Giunta.

Also, present Marylou Lowrie, Borough Engineer, Solicitor Blake Dunbar, Jr. Esquire, Anne Klepfer, Borough Manager and Secretary-Treasurer Gail Phillips.

Absent: Craig Dunham

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: by the assembly

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

Plaque Dedication – Resolution No. 2014-09 was read by Mrs. Klepfer dedicating a Memorial Plaque in honor of Arthur Fairclough for his service to the Borough and especially Meadow Park. **Motioned** by Lee Ann Miller and **seconded** by Lisa Dull to pass Resolution 2014-09. All in favor, **Motion passed 4-0.**

Mr. Micsko presented the plaque to Nancy and said “it is with great honor that I give you this certificate and to have served with my friend and mentor for many years. Arthur always said he wanted Schwenksville to be a place for people to visit and not just pass through”.

Nancy Fairclough accepted the Plaque and thanked the Council and staff for the plaque and Resolution to honor Arthur.

Resolution No. 2014-08 – A Resolution Honoring Roy Miller for his Many Years of Service to Schwenksville Borough as a Citizen Volunteer. **Motion** by Lisa Dull and **seconded** by Lee Ann Miller to pass Resolution No. 2014-08. All in favor, **Motion passed 4-0.**

Roy Miller thanked Council for the recognition of his years of service to the Borough.

Resolution No. 2014-07 – A Resolution Honoring Ray Yeanish for his Three Terms on the Borough Council of Schwenksville Borough and Prior Service as a Citizen Volunteer. **Motion** by Joe Homan and **seconded** by Lisa Dull to pass Resolution No. 2014-07. All in favor, **Motion passed 4-0.**

Ray Yeanish thanked Council for the recognition of his years of service to the Borough and also mentioned the good work the Council is doing and that being on council is not an easy job.

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MINUTES:

Dispense with the reading of the May 8, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes and approve the same as presented. **Motion** by Lee Ann Miller and **seconded** by Joe Homan. All in favor, **Motion Carried 4-0.**

AUDIENCE: No Comments.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND TREASURERS REPORT:

Gail Phillips reported that for the period ending May 31, 2014, the current invoices due for payment total \$53,413.33. This includes \$27,233.96 from the General Fund, \$12,949.87 from the Liquid Fuels Account, \$11,950.00 from payroll and \$1,279.50 from Capital Fund. **Motion** by Lee Ann Miller and **seconded** by Joe Homan to pay the bills totaling \$53,413.33. All in favor, **Motion carried 4-0.**

FINANCE REPORT: Mrs. Klepfer's report: For the period January 1, 2014 through May 31, 2014, Total Income for General Fund and Liquid Fuels Funds was \$333,623.31 and Total Expenditures was \$225,091.19 for a net gain of \$29,859.31. General Fund experienced a net gain of \$27,130.80. Assets: General Fund Assets Total \$872,461.15; Capital Fund Assets total \$62,752.47; and Liquid Fuels Fund Assets total \$49,343.44 for a combined Assets total of \$984,557.06.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Ms. Lowrie had to leave before giving the Engineering Report. Mrs. Klepfer read Dave Leh's report starting with the Brake Retarders that was discussed at the May meeting. The Borough would need an Ordinance and amend the traffic Ordinance. The speed/accident study done by the engineer would cost \$2,000 to \$5,000. PennDot would do it at no cost. Council authorizes Mrs. Klepfer to fill out the request for PennDot to conduct the study.

Sinkhole wrap-up – sinkholes on Woodland Ave. were repaired, sinkhole repair on Centennial St. was repaired along with the repair of the broken sewer lateral at the Post Office.

Rain Garden Repairs: A meeting was held with Anne, Dave, Chris Greene, Peter and Lisa. It was agreed to install a stone bed in the center of the rain garden and remove the other two logs. We will also be planting heartier plants and bushes. Dave and Chris are working on a plan and when finished will be emailed to everyone for review.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Blake Dunbar, Jr. reported that the Hoff Properties; Centennial Street Apartments Zoning Hearing is being held at the Lower Frederick Township Building on Monday June 23, 2014 at 7:00pm.

Schwenksville Investment Properties, LLC; our office has revised the draft Financial Security and Subdivision/Land Development Agreements and distributed them for review.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – No Report

AMBULANCE REPORT- Gail Phillips read the report for the month of May 2014; there were 4 calls for Schwenksville and 20 calls for Greenfield of Perkiomen Valley. Please consider becoming a member in 2014.

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MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Guinta read the report from The State Police for the month of May 2014 indicated 30 incidents. As a reminder, Please lock your cars.

Chief Albany from Limerick Fire Police would like the help of the Schwenksville Fire Police for the July Fireworks. Council approves the request for Schwenksville Fire Police to help at the Fireworks.

I attended the Central Perkiomen Valley Regional Planning Commission meeting last month. If anyone has updates on any developments in the Borough please email them to me.

Ms. Miller asked about the follow up on the Snow Emergency procedures, which street, what the system is, how it works, whether it needs to be changed and how to follow up and use the system as its intended purpose.

Ms. Miller also asked about the issue on enforcing parking and whether we need a constable to fulfill that function.

Ray Yeanish had a concern about a motorcyclist running Centennial Street at a high rate of speed. Mayor Giunta asked Ray to get the license plate number and call him with the number so it can be reported to the State Police.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT – Mrs. Klepfer reported:

ARLE Grant: This grant is for public safety improvements. This Grant does not cover the electric speed sign.

Mrs. Klepfer received the following estimates from Armour & Sons Electric:

Main & Perkiomen: \$15,525

Replace (4) Hand/Man Pedestrian LED with Countdown LED x \$225.00 EA = 900.00

Replace LED's in (7) 12" 3-section Signals x \$275.00 EA = \$1,925.00

(4) Push buttons with latching LED and indicator tone x \$800.00 Each = \$3,200.00

(1) 1-way Video Detection system x \$9,500.00 Each = \$9,500.00

Main & Park / Game Farm - \$56,025

Install (8) Push buttons with latching LED and indicator tone x \$800.00 Each = \$6,400.00

Replace LED's in (11) 8" 3-section signals x \$225.00 = \$2,475.00

Replace LED's in (3) 12" 3-section signals x \$275.00 Each = \$825.00

Replace LED's in (3) 12" 5-section signals x \$375.00 = \$1,125.00

Install (1) 4-way Video Detection System \$30,000.00

Install (8) Hand/Man Pedestrian Signals with Countdown Timer x \$900.00 EA = \$7,200.00

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Install (2) 12' Pedestal Poles for hand/man signals x \$4,000.00 EA = \$8,000.00

Add an additional \$19,500 is needed for engineering costs and an additional \$20-\$25K in ramp construction costs may be needed.

Council approved Mrs. Klepfer to fill out the ARLE Grant for submission by June 30, 2014 and suggested she re-apply for the Speed Sign Display equipment.

Sign Management Plan – Resolution No. 2014-10: All public agencies must have a sign assessment or management method based on financial resources and replacement priorities in place by June 14, 2014. All Council members were given the plan for review. **Motion** by Joe Homan **second** by Lee Ann Miller to adopt Resolution No. 2014-10 Sign Management Plan. All in favor; **Motion carried 4-0.**

Main Street Zoning Districts: Jerusalem Lutheran Food Pantry would like to move into the vacant side of Valley Electric at 596 Main Street. The Planning Commission is reviewing the Zoning for VC1 & VC2. Council authorizes Blake Dunbar and Dave Leh to draft an ordinance for the new map for VC 1 & VC 2. **Motioned** by Lee Ann Miller and **seconded** by Lisa Dull to draft the ordinance. All in favor; **Motion carried 4-0.**

Park and Recreation Board: Adoption of a Park and Recreation Board needs an ordinance to combine the Park Board and the Activity Committee. **Motion** by Lee Ann Miller and **seconded** by Lisa Dull to draft an Ordinance that would officially create the Park and Recreation Board. All in favor; **Motion carried 4-0.**

Road Inspections: Mrs. Klepfer and Mr. Dunham will be inspecting the roads on Friday June 13, 2014.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE: No Report

REVITALIZATION TASK FORCE: No Report

ACTIVITY COMMITTEE: First summer concert is “Mr. Fuzzy and the Barbarian” Wednesday June 18th at 6:30pm.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: No Report. Ms. Miller inquired the status of the installation of snow guards on Borough Hall’s roof – north side. Mrs. Klepfer will follow up on this item.

STREETS AND LIGHTS: No Report

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD: Peter Grauer said the cleanup went well on Saturday and wanted to thank everyone who helped.

OLD BUSINESS: None

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NEW BUSINESS: None

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, July 10, 2014 at 7:00pm

It was **motioned** by Lisa Dull and **seconded** by Joe Homan **to adjourn** the meeting at **8:48 pm**. All in favor, **motion carried**.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail L. Phillips
Secretary