

BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE PA
COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 11, 2011

Council President Arthur Fairclough at 7:30 PM called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on August 11, 2011 to order.

Present, Arthur Fairclough, Maureen Giacomucci, Rudy Micsko, Ray Yeanish and Mayor Joe Giunta

Also, present Robert Brant Esq., Dave Leh, Gilmore Associates, Mike Galla, Borough Manager, and Gail Phillips, Council Secretary.

Absent Lee Ann Miller

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: By the Assembly

MINUTES:

Dispense with the reading of the July 14, 2011 Council minutes and approve the July 14, 2011 Council minutes, as modified. Motioned by Rudy Micsko and seconded by Maureen Giacomucci. All were in favor. Motion carried. Ray Yeanish was absent at the July 14, 2011 Council meeting.

ACCEPTANCE OF COUNCIL MEMBER RESIGNATION: Maureen Giacomucci submitted her resignation to Council effective August 15, 2011.

MOTIONED BY RAY YEANISH AND SECONDED BY LEE ANN MILLER WITH REGRET TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF MAUREEN GIACOMUCCI EFFECTIVE AUGUST 15, 2011. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

AUDIENCE: Dan Gring of 5 Rose Drive, Hatfield PA would like Council to make a motion to adopt Resolution 31 of 2011, this is a Resolution in support of H.R. 1489 "the Return to Prudent Banking Act" Mr. Fairclough thanked Mr. Gring for the information.

Earl Stahl of 341 Cherry Street, concerned about the repair of Miller Street and the drainage. Water is going around the drain and down Miller Street. Dave Leh respectfully disagrees about the problem and that 80% to 90% of the water is getting in the drain. Mr. Fairclough has asked Mr. Leh and Mr. Galla to check again and report at the next Council meeting.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND TREASURERS REPORT:

Gail Phillips reported that for the period ending July 31, 2011, the current invoices due for payment total \$41,161.70. This includes \$31,854.68 from the General Fund, \$1,009.56 from the Liquid Fuels Account, \$8,297.46 from payroll. Motioned by Ray Yeanish and seconded by Maureen Giacomucci to pay the bills totaling \$41,161.70. All were in favor and the motion carried.

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FINANCE REPORT: Rudy Micsko reviewed the July 2011 financial report with Council. Totals for the end of July – Assets \$756,946.02, Liabilities \$189,438.44, Equity \$567,507.58. Total Income \$372,727.27, Expenses \$308,035.36, Net Income 64,691.91.

ENGINEERS REPORT – David Leh reported that PennDot eradicated the double yellow line on Main Street and will be repainting the double yellow line again. The striping for the parking spaces, crosswalks and the goring for the no parking will also be done tomorrow.

The Forest Lane Road Project, we have all the approvals for the CDBG grant. This will be done in the spring of 2012. Mrs. Giacomucci had a question about whether the speed bumps will be put back on the road when the road is finished. Mr. Leh said that they will not put the speed bumps back on the road. Repairs on Forest Lane will be done as needed through the fall and winter.

Meadow Park plans for the rain garden and drainage are done.

MOTIONED BY RAY YEANISH AND SECONDED BY RUDY MICKSKO TO AUTHORIZE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE MEADOW PARK PROJECT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Mr. Brant opened the public hearing at 7:59pm on the proposed Ordinance #365. The Ordinance was published as required by the municipalities planning code, Borough code and the Ordinance was sent to the Law Library. The Ordinance attaches a plan prepared by the Borough Engineer for the parking on Main Street and has parking permitted only on Main Street in the delineated spaces as reflected on the Plan. Mr. Leh reported that as part of the agreement with PennDot for this project they required the Borough to pass an Ordinance where parking is permitted and prohibited. There were no public comments. Mr. Brant closed the public hearing. A motion is needed to adopt Ordinance #365.

MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKSKO AND SECONDED BY RAY YEANISH TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #365 WHICH ESTABLISHES THE PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON MAIN STREET. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

The Animal Ordinance has been revised to establish a maximum number of five (5) domestic animals per residence.

MOTIONED BY MAUREEN GIACOMUCCI AND SECONDED BY RAY YEANISH TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE ANIMAL ORDINANCE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT: Chief Jim Keyser read his report as follows, for the Month of July 2011, 3 calls, 24 men in service for a total of 1:27 minutes in service.

AMBULANCE REPORT- Report for the month of July 2011, there were three calls for Schwenksville and eleven calls for the Colonnade.

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Joe Giunta reported that the State Police calls for the month of July 2011 were 34. Mayor Giunta asked about the cameras for Meadow Park. Mr. Brashe is in attendance to give Council a proposal on the cost for the cameras. The cost of the cameras, mounts, heaters and recorder is \$3,171.00.

MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKSKO AND SECONDED BY MAUREEN GIACOMUCCI TO PURCHASE THE CAMERAS AND RECORDER FOR MEADOW PARK AT \$3,171. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT – Mike Galla reports:

- Montgomery county Planning commission letter was received about our 2011 community Revitalization grant in regards to the Alley Way Project in the amount of \$183,204.
- Comcast agreement contract has been received along with the check for \$5,000.
- Penn Dot has announced that the Skippack Pike Bridge (Rt.29& Rt.73) will be closed in the spring of 2010 for approximately 4 months.
- Reminder about the email that Lee Ann sent about the weed work parties. Rudy and Dave will be spraying weeds on Main Street tomorrow and the next date is Saturday August 20 from 8am to 11am.
- The State has put out a drought watch for Montgomery County.
- A follow-up on the proposed draft sign ordinance. Please email or call Mike with changes or questions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE: No Report

REVITALIZATION TASK FORCE: No Report

ACTIVITY COMMITTEE: There was a good crowd for last night's concert to hear Dog Bite Money. Thank you to the Fire Company for the extra lights especially on the steps. Maureen also had a conversation with two young ladies riding horses in the Meadow. There is nothing on the Rule Board prohibiting horses in Meadow Park.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: Borough Hall roof and gutter repairs. The quote was under \$500 and has been authorized for the work to be done.

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STREETS AND ROADS: Ray reported that Cedar, Miller, Forest need repairs. Dave Leh will get pricing for crack sealing for those roads.

STREET LIGHTING: One Street light is out on Main Street, electrician will be called.

ALLEY WAY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: No Report

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD: No Report

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

Next meeting will be September 8, 2011 @ 7:30 PM

It was motioned by Ray Yeanish and seconded by Rudy Micsko to adjourn the meeting at 8:46pm.
All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gail L. Phillips
Council Secretary