

BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MAY 9, 2013

Council Vice President Rudy Micsko at 7:00 PM called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on April, 2013 to order.

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

Also, present David Leh, Borough Engineer, Solicitor Blake Dunbar, Esquire, Anne Klepfer, Borough Manager and Secretary-Treasurer Gail Philips.

Absent: Ray Yeanish

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** By the Assembly

**Special Business:** State Representative Marcy Toepel, 147<sup>th</sup> District – Montgomery County held an open house here at Borough Hall this evening 6pm to 7pm. Ms. Toepel spoke with several residents from 6pm to 7pm. Ms. Toepel also spoke with Council about prevailing wages and that she would like to see that tied into the Transportation Bill. Ms. Toepel also addressed the question of Regional Fire and Police. She mentioned that New Hanover Township recently studied regionalization.

**MINUTES:**

Dispense with the reading of the April 11, 2013 Council minutes and approve the April 11, 2013 Council minutes as corrected. Approval of minutes has been tabled until the June 13, 2013 Council meeting due to Mr. Yeanish's absence.

**AUDIENCE:** None

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND TREASURERS REPORT:**

Gail Phillips reported that for the period ending April 2013, the current invoices due for payment total \$39,028.10. This includes \$23,087.40 from the General Fund, \$1,141.77 from the Liquid Fuels Account, \$13,220.83 from payroll and \$1,578.04 from the Capital Funds. **Motioned** by Lee Ann Miller and **seconded** by Lisa Dull to pay the bills totaling \$39,028.10. **Motion Carried 4-0**

**FINANCE REPORT:** Anne Klepfer reported for the month ending April 30, 2013; Mrs. Klepfer reported total income \$163,321.91, expenses \$142,697.59, net income (loss) \$20,624.32. General Fund Assets \$780,492.24, Capital Fund \$2,474.44, Liquid Fuels Fund \$47,522.91.

**ENGINEERS REPORT** – Dave Leh reported that the bid opening was held on Friday May 3, 2013 for the Meadow Park Project. Four bids were received and ranged from \$41,300 to \$70,600. Mr. Fairclough, Mr. Leh and Mrs. Klepfer met to talk about having someone else do the Rain garden (Item #13). The lowest bid then would be R. J. Sell Excavating @ \$30,920.60.

**MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE PARK PROJECT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000 AND BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE BOROUGH ENGINEER, TO AWARD THE BID TO R. J. SELL EXCAVATING FOR THE ADJUSTED BID OF \$30,920.60, EXCLUDING ITEM #13 OF THE BID TABULATION SUBJECT TO AND CONDITIONED UPON REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE BIDS BY DCNR AND PROVISION OF THE REQUIRED BONDS, SECURITIES AND EXECUTED CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FROM THE LOW BIDDER. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

Ms. Miller has concerns about the placement of the playground being too close to the pavilion. Ms. Miller and Ms. Dull will talk with Mrs. Klepfer and Mr. Leh about moving the playground away from the pavilion.

Second Street Ramp Project: – CDBG Grant for Handicap Ramps at Church & Second Street and Maple & Second Street. Design has not been completed.

Summit Avenue Survey: The survey of the road has been completed. The needed road width will exist in the 40ft. right of way with little disturbance to existing trees and property.

Alley Project: The project is ready to go out for bids. **Motioned** by Arthur Fairclough and **seconded** by Lisa Dull to authorize the advertisement for bids for the Alley Project. Rudy Micsko is also in **favor**. Lee Ann Miller has recused herself from the vote. **Motioned carried 3-0-1.**

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** - Blake Dunbar Jr. reported that the Caramenico Deed of Dedication and Easement Agreement has been signed. **Motioned** by Arthur Fairclough and **seconded** by Lisa Dull to accept the Caramenico Deed of Dedication and Easement Agreement for the Alley Project. Lee Ann Miller has recused herself from the voting on this issue due to her being part owner of the Lumber Yard project. Rudy Micsko also in **favor**. **Motion carried 3-0-1.**

**FIRE COMPANY REPORT:** No statistical report. Jim Keyser on behalf of the Fire Company, submitted a letter about the Fire Company having a Farmers' Market. The market would be on the North Side of the fire house on Sundays from June 2<sup>nd</sup> through October 27<sup>th</sup>. Council is not opposed to the Farmers' Market but would like an application with a plan.

**AMBULANCE REPORT:** Mrs. Phillips read the report for the month of April 2013; there were 7 calls for Schwenksville and 11 calls for Greenfield of Perkiomen Valley. Please consider becoming a member in 2013.

**MAYORS REPORT:** The State Police report for the month of April indicated 29 incidents. Of special note were the following:

- 1) Two DUI
- 2) One Theft from vehicle
- 3) One Theft deception

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4) Two Drug Possession  
The new liaison for the Borough is Danny Wright.

Mayor Giunta has a wedding scheduled for May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT** – Anne Klepfer reports:

Mayor Giunta asked Council for a Proclamation declaring June 8<sup>th</sup>, “2013 Perkiomen Sojourn Day” and the Borough’s support of the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy’s Annual Perkiomen Sojourn.

Mayor Giunta has Council’s support for the Proclamation “2013 Perkiomen Sojourn Day” on June 8, 2013. Mrs. Klepfer will prepare a written Proclamation for Mayor Giunta to sign.

Central Perkiomen Valley Regional Planning Commission: Council was given the letter by the County Planning Commission with comments to review. Council should respond to Mrs. Klepfer with any other concerns or changes. The only comment they desired to have addressed was correction of the population statistics for Schwenksville Borough. This item is included in the County Planning Commission’s review letter.

Resolution No. 2013-07: A Resolution adopting the Schwenksville Borough Fee Schedule:

**MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY LISA DULL TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2013-07 ADOPTING THE SCHWENKSVILLE BOROUGH FEE SCHEDULE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION APPROVED.**

Clemens Property: The new owner is planning two apartment buildings containing 14 units each. Mrs. Klepfer and Mr. Fairclough met with Mr. Mast and the developer. A sketch plan will be submitted to the Planning Committee in June or July.

Main Street Residents Meeting: A meeting with the residents on the south end of Main Street will be scheduled and letters will be mailed along with the map showing the proposed improvements.

Borough’s Association Dinner is May 23, 2013 at Woodside Lodge.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**: No Report

**REVITALIZATION TASK FORCE**: Ms. Miller announced that the Task force continues to work on a streetscape plan for Main Street. In the meantime she would like the Borough to pursue maintenance issues that continue to need attention. She reviewed a list she prepared to

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have the Manager work on. There were no objections from Council, although timing for some of the items as they relate to grant projects should be given consideration.

**ACTIVITY COMMITTEE:** Community Day was a big success, picture perfect weather. Summer Concerts begin June 19<sup>th</sup> with “Midnight Shift” 6:30pm – 8:30pm.

**PROPERTY COMMITTEE:** The Woman’s Civic Club has asked if they could store their files at Borough Hall. Ms. Miller would like to decline that offer as there is limited space at Borough Hall at this time.

**STREETS AND LIGHTS:** No Report

**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD:** Roy Miller will be working with Jonathan Toppi for his senior project to uncover the foundation of the Ice House in Meadow Park and to place a Historical Marker.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

Next meeting will be June 13, 2013 @ 7:00 PM

It was **motioned** by Arthur Fairclough and **seconded** by Lisa Dull **to adjourn** the meeting at **9:08 pm**. All were in favor and the **motion carried**.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail L. Phillips  
Secretary