

BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE PA
COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2011

Council President Arthur Fairclough at 7:30 PM called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on January 13, 2011 to order.

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

Also, present Robert Brant Esq., Mike Galla Borough Manager, Gail Phillips Council Secretary.

Lee Ann Miller arrived at 8:43pm.

Absent

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: By the Assembly

January 13, 2011

2011 Appointments - Schwenksville Borough

Borough Manager	Mike Galla
Borough Secretary/Treasurer	Gail Phillips
Solicitor	Robert L. Brant
Engineer	Carroll Engineering on a month-to-month basis until RFP is finalized
Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer	Mike Galla
Building/Plumbing Inspector	Mark John
Emergency Management Coordinator	Douglas Neal
Fire Marshal	Douglas Neal
Assist. Fire Marshal	Jim Keyser

Board & Commission Appointments

Vacancy Board	Nancy Catton	One year term
Borough Authority	Don Whitko	Five-year term
Planning Commission	Larry Keown	Four year term
Parks Board	Greg Pocius	Five year term
Zoning Hearing Board	Todd Larsen	Three year term

Need a motion to approve the appointments as listed above,

MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKO AND SECONDED BY RAY YEANISH TO APPROVE THE ABOVE APPOINTMENTS FOR 2011. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES: Dispense with the reading of the December 9, 2010 minutes and approve the December 9, 2010 minutes. Motioned by Maureen Giacomucci and seconded by Rudy Micsko. Ray Yeanish abstained. Arthur, Rudy and Maureen were in favor. Motion carried.

Dispense with the reading of the December 29, 2010 Special Meeting minutes and approve the December 29, 2010 Special Meeting minutes. Motioned by Rudy Micsko and seconded by Maureen Giacomucci. Ray Yeanish abstained. Arthur, Rudy and Maureen were in favor. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE: Nick Klobusicky from Boy Scout Troop 50 attended the meeting to observe what goes on at a Council meeting.

Erin Vose of 130 W. Park Avenue had concerns about the traffic on Game Farm Road and the speeding. Mayor Giunta said that Borough Manager Mike Galla would meet with Lower Fredrick's Township Manager to talk about how to approach Penn Dot for a speed limit reduction and a Stop sign at the intersection of Game Farm Road and Smith Road.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND TREASURERS REPORT:

Gail Phillips reported that for the period ending December 31, 2010, the current invoices due for payment total \$72,778.04. This includes \$52,455.92 from the General Fund, \$914.95 from the Liquid Fuels Account, \$11,514.00 from the Trash fund and \$7,893.17 from payroll. Motioned by Rudy Micsko and seconded by Ray Yeanish to pay the bills totaling \$72,778.04. All were in favor and the motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT: Rudy reviewed the December 2010 financial report with Council. Totals for the end of December – Assets \$581,511.41, Liabilities \$80,948.23, Equity \$500,563.18. Total Income \$497,760.39, Expenses \$555,448.06, Net Loss (\$57,687.67).

ENGINEERS REPORT – Mike Galla reported for the Engineer that replacement of the piping and inlet on Maple Street and the inlet on Centennial Street is complete.

SOLICITORS REPORT: Robert Brant has been with the Borough for 21 years and thanks Council for appointing again.

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The Borough has completed an application for a general obligation note for \$100,000.00 with the Delaware Valley Regional Finance Authority and has advertised Ordinance #364 for adoption authorizing the incurrence of non-electoral debt.

MOTIONED BY RAY YEANISH AND SECONDED BY RUDY MICKSKO TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #364 APPROVING THE \$100,000.00 LOAN FROM DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL FINANCE AUTHORITY. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Execution of loan documents:

MOTIONED BY RAY YEANISH AND SECONDED BY MAUREEN GIACOMUCCI TO AUTHORIZE THE BOROUGH MANAGER AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE ANY OR ALL DOCUMENTS RELATIVE TO THE LOAN APPLICATION. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT: Chief Jim Keyser read his report as follows, for the Month of December 2010, 8 calls, 91 men in service for a total of 7:59 minutes in service.

Fire Company has received a \$10,000 grant from Sen. John Rafferty for rescue equipment, \$10,028.56 state grant for equipment use and \$500 from Wal-Mart

Doug Neal Fire Marshal and Emergency Management Coordinator will have a report for the February meeting. Doug reported that he has received a \$1,200 grant of a generator

AMBULANCE REPORT: no report

MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Joe Giunta reported that the State Police calls for the month of December 2010 were 15 incidents. The year-end report saw an unusually high number of false alarms and collisions. A year end number of 46 disturbances. The State Police has a few DUI checkpoints throughout the year. The DUI checkpoints will continue because they have been effective.

BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT

Adoption of Borough Council Yearly Meeting Schedule: Planning Commission 1st Thursday, Council 2nd Thursday and Zoning Hearing Board 4th Thursday of each month.

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MOTIONED BY RAY YEANISH AND SECONDED BY MAUREEN GIACOMUCCI TO ADOPT THE BOROUGH COUNCIL YEARLY MEETING SCHEDULE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED

2011 Holiday Schedule

Below is a list of the proposed employee holidays for 2011. Christmas and New Years falls on a Sunday and it is customary to have the following Monday off. A motion, second, and vote will be needed to authorize the 2011 Holiday Schedule.

2011 HOLIDAYS

President's Day – February 21st

Good Friday – April 22nd

Memorial Day – May 30st

Independence Day – July 4th

Labor Day – September 5th

Thanksgiving – November 24th and 25th

Christmas (Falls on a Sunday) – December 26th

New Years (Falls on a Sunday) – January 2, 2011

MOTIONED BY MAUREEN GIACOMUCCI AND SECONDED BY RAY YEANISH TO AUTHORIZE THE 2011 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Comcast Agreement Documents – Resolution #2011-01, the previous agreement signed in 2009 did not include revenue sources of “gross revenue”, the final agreement also includes a \$5,100 grant to be awarded to Schwenksville Borough ninety days from the effective date of the agreement. Council needs to approve Resolution #2011-01

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MOTIONED BY RAY YEANISH AND SECONDED BY MAUREEN GIACOMUCCI TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2011-1 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SCHWENKSVILLE BOROUGH AND COMCAST OF SOUTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA, LLC. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Fee Schedule - Resolution

The amended fee schedule includes new fees for road opening, temporary signs, stormwater management; de minimis land development and sprinkler systems. There are also proposed increases in zoning permits, rental registration along with standard application fee. Council has a copy and need to approve Resolution 2011-02 adopting the Schwenksville Borough Fee Schedule.

MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKSKO AND SECONDED BY RAY YEANISH TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2011-02 SCHWENKSVILLE BOROUGH FEE SCHEDULE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Administrative Assistant/Treasurer Computer Replacement

With all the financial data that is put onto the computer, an upgrade is needed. It is being requested that Council authorize the spending of funds to replace the Administrative Assistant/Treasurer computer.

MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKSKO AND SECONDED BY RAY YEANISH TO REPLACE THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT COMPUTER BUT NOT TO EXCEED \$850 AND NOT TO BUY UNTIL THE FINANCES IMPROVE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Engineer RFP Status Update

The committee has narrowed down the potential engineering firms to four and will be conducting interviews with each firm. The committee will make a recommendation to Council when the interviews are completed.

Correspondence

Telford, Souderton and Hatfield Boroughs Thursday January 27, 2011 at Pine Crest Country Club host borough Association Dinner. Anyone interested please talk with Gail

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Lee Ann Miller arrived at 8:43 pm

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE: A meeting will be held on Thursday January 20, 2011. Anne Levitt-Gruberger will have draft of Historic Ordinance.

REVITALIZATION TASK FORCE: Lee Ann reported that there would be a planning meeting next month.

ACTIVITY COMMITTEE: PROPERTY: Maureen and Lee Ann met and the date for Community Day will be Saturday April 30, 2011, the Watershed will also be holding the Lenape Challenge.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE:

Replacement of the chairs for the office, Lee Ann showed Council the chair that was purchased to replace the wooden chairs around the table. We need an additional nine more chairs.

MOTIONED BY RUDY MICKSKO AND SECONDED BY LEE ANN MILLER TO BUY THE ADDITIONAL CHAIRS BUT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION CARRIED.

Slate from the roof have been repaired or replaced.

STREETS AND ROADS: No Report

STREET LIGHTING: No Report

ALLEY WAY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: We are still waiting on the signed easement agreements.

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD: No Report

OLD BUSINESS: Sign Ordinance bans all internal illumination and LED lighting and limits when the signs can be on. Borough council will send a letter to the businesses making specific suggestions and inviting them to come to the next council meeting to comment. Once the council has heard all comments and suggestions, they will send a letter to the planning commission. Mike will prepare the letter to the businesses.

NEW BUSINESS: Ethic Statements need to be completed and returned to Gail.

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Next meeting will be February 10, 2011 @ 7:30 PM

It was motioned by Ray Yeanish and seconded by Maureen Giacomucci to adjourn the meeting at 9:11PM. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gail L. Phillips
Council Secretary