

BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 14, 2011

Council President Arthur Fairclough at 7:30 PM called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on July 14, 2011 to order.

Present, Arthur Fairclough, Maureen Giacomucci, Rudy Micsko, Lee Ann Miller, and Mayor Joe Giunta

Also, present Blake Dunbar, Jr. Esq., Dave Leh, Gilmore Associates, Mike Galla, Borough Manager, and Gail Phillips, Council Secretary.

Absent Ray Yeanish

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** By the Assembly

**MINUTES:**

Dispense with the reading of the June 9, 2011 Council minutes and approve the June 9, 2011 Council minutes. Motioned by Rudy Micsko and seconded by Maureen Giacomucci. All were in favor. Motion carried. Lee Ann Miller abstained from the vote as she was absent from the June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**AUDIENCE:** Arthur Fairclough announced that Councilwoman Maureen Giacomucci will resign from council effective August 15, 2011. Councilwoman Giacomucci is moving out of the Borough.

Council appointed Jim Keyser to the Joint Board of Appeals.

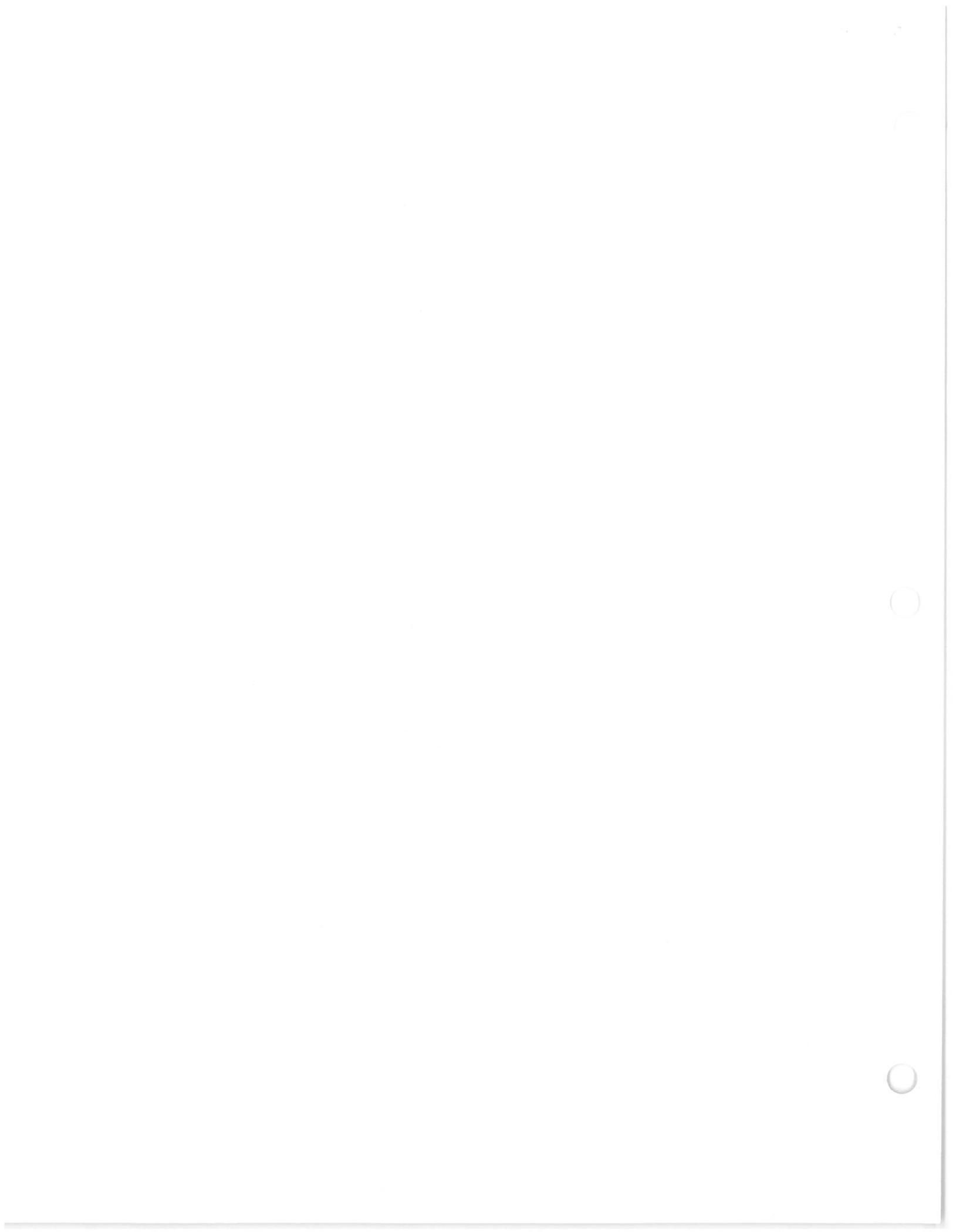
Jennifer Andrews from the Spring Mount Summit Condo Board addressed council about the issue with building inspections and people doing work without permits. She has contacted Mark John but has not received a response. Mike Galla informed Ms. Andrews to contact the Borough Hall with issues about permits and inspections.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND TREASURERS REPORT:**

Gail Phillips reported that for the period ending June 30, 2011, the current invoices due for payment total \$59,011.20. This includes \$44,920.05 from the General Fund, \$1,008.98 from the Liquid Fuels Account, \$12,815.17 from payroll and \$267.00 from the Trash Account. Motioned by Lee Ann Miller and seconded by Maureen Giacomucci to pay the bills totaling \$59,011.20. All were in favor and the motion carried.

**FINANCE REPORT:** Rudy Micsko reviewed the June 2011 financial report with Council. Totals for the end of June – Assets \$784,097.97, Liabilities \$172,169.11 Equity \$611,928.86. Total Income \$342,838, Expenses \$233,724, Net Income 109,114.

**ENGINEERS REPORT** – David Leh reported that the Main Street Striping work may be done this month. PennDot will be painting the relocated double-yellow lines and will stripe white lines for travel lanes. The Borough will be responsible for striping the parking spaces on Main Street. The cost for the 2 projects is \$10,300.



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Parking ordinance, Section 163-112 of the Borough Code must be amended to conform with the no parking locations listed on Gilmore & Associates Main Street Parking Plan.

**MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER, SECONDED BY MAUREEN GIACOMUCCI TO ADVERTISE THE AMENDED ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT PENNDOT WILL PROCEED THIS MONTH WITH THE RELOCATION OF THE DOUBLE-YELLOW LINES ON MAIN STREET. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

The Second Street paving project is complete. A change order was issued adding \$939 to the project for extra repairs on the road. After the paving was complete the contractor put a line of cones across Second Street at Perkiomen and also at Maple Street. A dump truck traveling down Perkiomen Avenue turned left onto Second Street right through the cones and put two indentations on the surface. The contractor corrected the problem with no additional cost to the Borough.

Boyer alley inlet at Cedar and Centennial is done. The intersection at Miller and Boyer has been repaved. And the macadam curb extension should be completed within a week.

The stormwater system and rain garden designs for Meadow Park are complete and a bid package will be available in a few weeks.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Blake Dunbar Jr. asked if there were any questions about the report. The Animal Ordinance will be amended and placed on the august Council agenda.

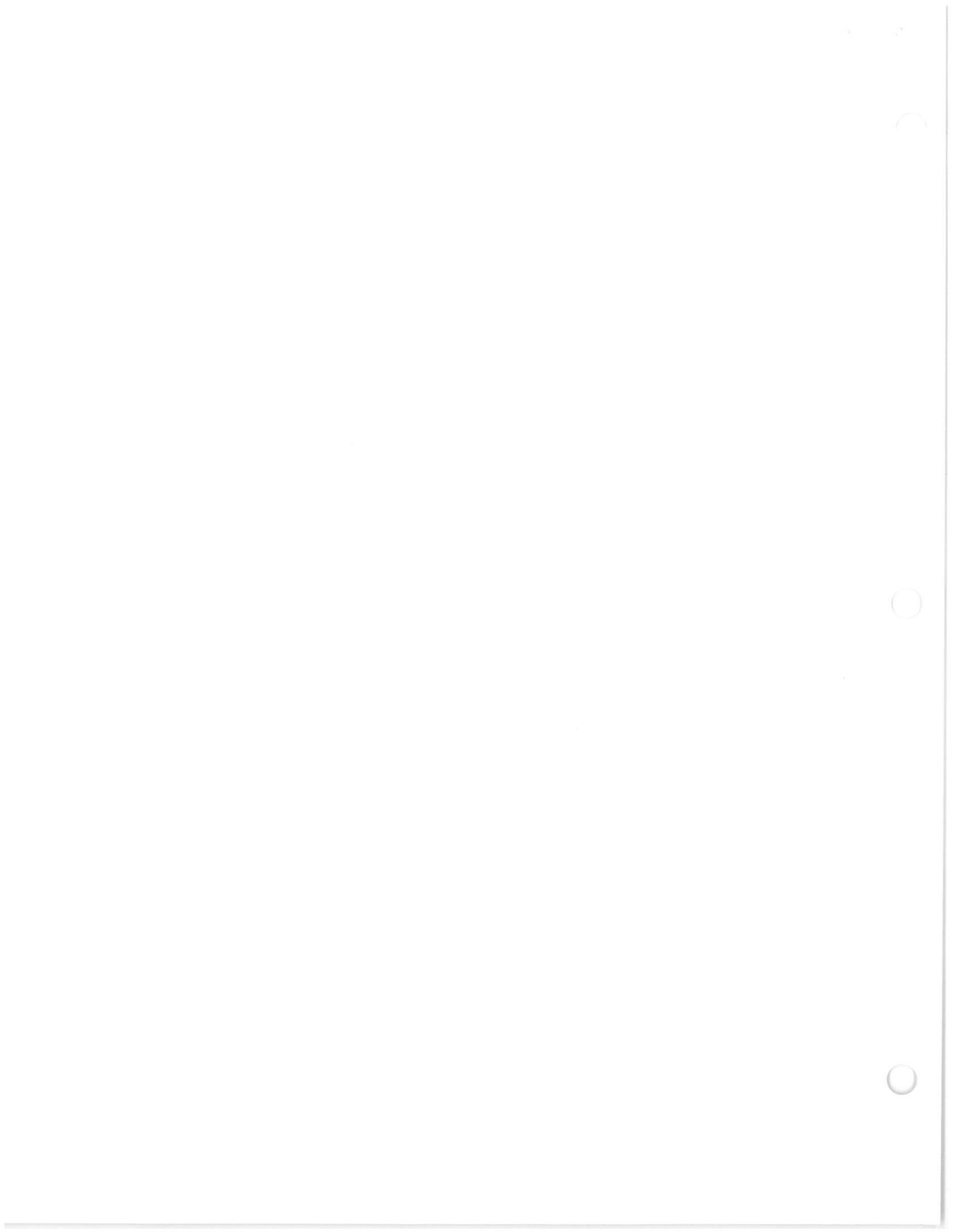
**FIRE COMPANY REPORT:** Chief Jim Keyser read his report as follows, for the Month of June 2011, 2 calls, 10 men in service for a total of 2:53 minutes in service. 3 Burning permits were issued and 3 complaints about burning were addressed. Chief Keyser also met with Spring Mount Summit Condo's alarm company.

Annual Chicken BBQ will be held Sunday July 24 noon to 5 pm.

**AMBULANCE REPORT-** Report for the month of June 2011, there was one call for Schwenksville and nine calls for the Colonnade.

**MAYORS REPORT:** Mayor Joe Giunta reported that the State Police calls for the month of June 2011 were 33. Mayor Giunta asked about the cameras for the Park. Mr. Galla is looking into the purchase and installation of the cameras.

**BOROUGH MANAGER REPORT** – Mike Galla received a request from Fred Avolio who resides at 53 Pennypacker drive to have 28 inches of a speed bump be shaved down along the west side of Forest Lane allowing Mr. Avolio to use his scooter. Council had no objections



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about the work and Mr. Galla will ask the contractor doing the work at Boyer to remove the 28 inches from the speed bump.

The Borough has outstanding trash bills that total \$1,931. Liens will not be placed on those properties because their balances are either too small to justify lien costs or they do not own property to lien. Mr. Micsko and Mr. Galla are recommending the Borough write off this remaining amount.

**MOTION BY MAUREEN GIACOMUCCI AND SECONDED BY LEE ANN MILLER TO WRITE OFF THE BALANCE OF \$1,931.00 OF THE REMAINING TRASH BALANCES. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

The Borough will not be receiving the CDBG grant this year.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE:** Pam Ruoff would like to add Laura Daugherty to the committee. Pam talked with Laura at the Town Hall meeting. Laura works at Potsgrove Manor and is their historic site supervisor.

**MOTIONED BY LEE ANN MILLER AND SECONDED BY MAUREEN GIACOMUCCI TO ADD LAURA DAUGHTERLY TO THE HISTORICAL PERSERVATION COMMITTEE. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

**REVITALIZATION TASK FORCE:** The Town Hall meeting was well attended. Lee Ann thanked everyone for all their help.

**ACTIVITY COMMITTEE:** Newsletter will be mailed on Friday July 15.

Music in the Meadow Summer Concert 7:00pm – 9:00pm

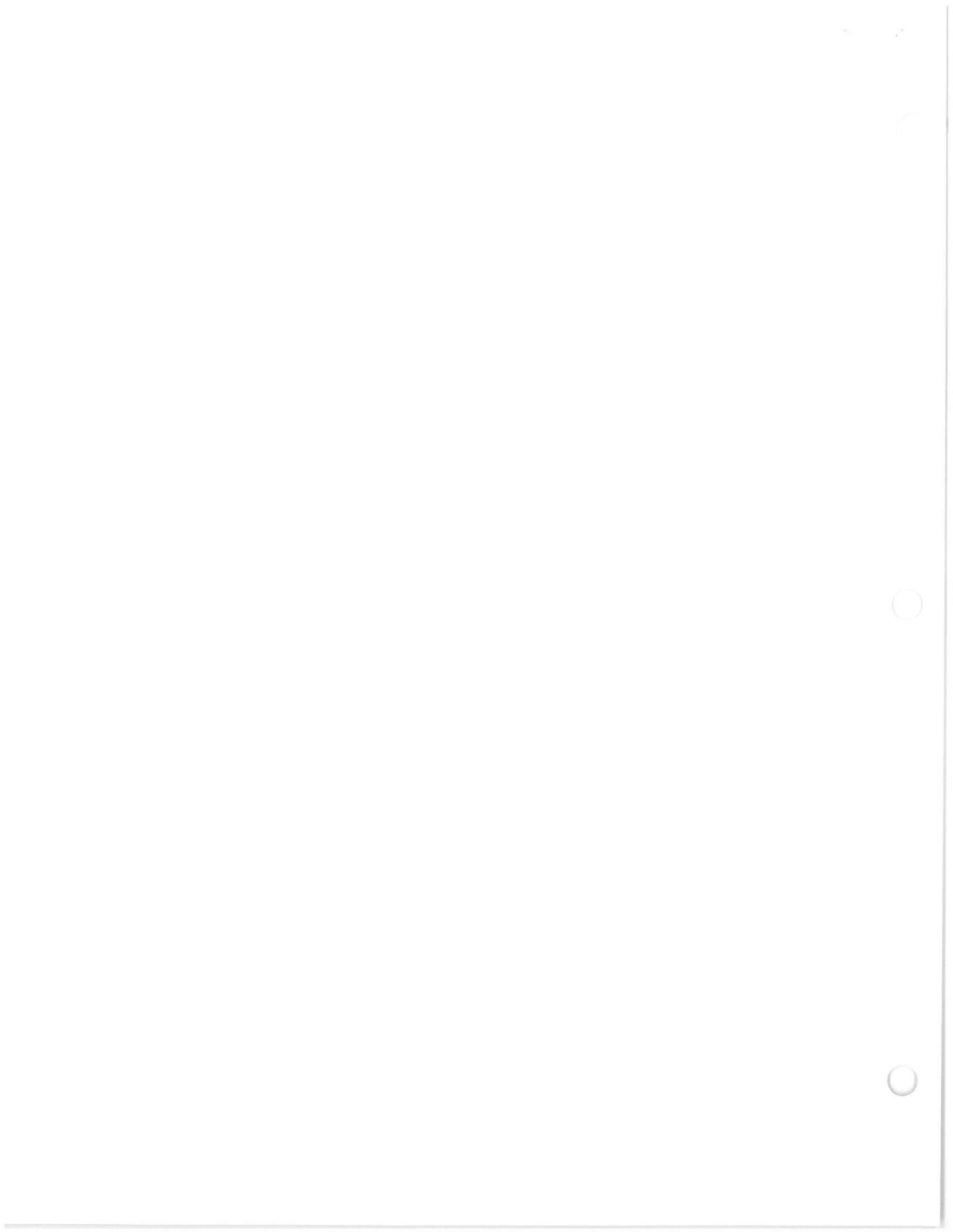
Wednesday August 10 – “Dog Bite Money”

The electric at the Pavilion needs to be addressed.

**PROPERTY COMMITTEE:** Prior to the engineering for the alleyway, Lee Ann would like to meet with David Leh to discuss the drainage and entrance to the Borough Hall basement.

**STREETS AND ROADS:** Ray Yeanish was absent from the meeting

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**ALLEY WAY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:** The County commissioners approved the alleyway grant in the amount of \$183,000 with a 10% match from the Borough.

**PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD:** There are a number of large branches down at Meadow Park and they are blocking the access to the creek. Arthur and Mike will talk about the removal of the branches.

**OLD BUSINESS:** A letter was mailed last year to residents about making repairs to their sidewalks. A plan will be developed for sidewalk repairs.

The weeds on Main Street need to be addressed. Rudy has volunteered to help spray the weeds. We can also use someone that needs to do community service.

**NEW BUSINESS:** none

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Council went into the Executive session at 8:51 to discuss potential litigation.

Council resumed the regular Council meeting at 9:34.

Council readdressed the use of Liquid Fuels money to pay for the Main Street striping project.

**MOTION BY LEE ANN MILLER, SECONDED BY RUDY MICKO TO AUTHORIZE USING LIQUID FUELS MONEY FOR ERADICATION AND STRIPING OF MAIN STREET. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.**

Next meeting will be August 11, 2011 @ 7:30 PM

It was motioned by Rudy Micsko and seconded by Maureen Giacomucci to adjourn the meeting at 9:34pm. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gail L. Phillips  
Council Secretary

