

SCHWENKSVILLE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2018

Council President Darren Rash called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on August 9, 2018 to order at 7:00 PM at Borough Hall, 140 Main Street, Schwenksville, PA 19473.

Present, Darren Rash, Lee Ann Miller, Todd, Larsen, Sarah Knickerbocker and Greg Pocius.

Also, present, Blake Dunbar Jr. Esquire, Anne Klepfer, Borough Manager, Secretary-Treasurer Gail Phillips.

Absent: Mayor Joe Giunta

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: By the Assembly

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Mayor's Report: Mayor Giunta was absent from the meeting. Mrs. Phillips read the State Police Report for July 2018, 23 incidents.

Fire Company Report: Chris Melville reported three calls for the Month of July 2018.

Emergency Management Report: Mr. Melville attended the July monthly Emergency Management Meetings at Montgomery County EOC. Will be registering Borough officials for Montco Safer.

Fire Marshall Report:

Investigated complaint of burning at 78 Main St (Apt.G) on July 5, 2018. Found resident burning in a fire pit to close to dwelling and deck of above units. Advised of ordinance and extinguished fire. A follow-up letter will be sent to the resident and landlord.

Investigated a dwelling fire at 723 Mine Hill Road. Upon arrival, it was noted that the exterior cable box on the dwelling had caught fire, and was extinguished by a passerby. The fire spread was contained to the exterior siding of the home, Further investigation found that there was current in the out of service Comcast lines. Peco confirmed that a squirrel had caused damage to wires on the telephone pole. Peco secured the problem.

Resolution 2018-13: A Resolution Approving the Montgomery County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Motion Lee Ann Miller **second** Greg Pocius to adopt Resolution 2018-13. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Ambulance Report: No Report

Gene Yerger – All Schwenksville High School Reunion Plans – Presentation and request to display/use some of the Albright Houses: Schwenksville High School will be celebrating their 50th Class Reunion in 2019. The Reunion Committee would like to reserve the Pavilion and Meadow Park on June 15, 2019. Mr. Yerger submitted the Park/Pavilion Form with payment. The Committee would also like to put up a tent in the Park (Borough will not be responsible for the tent). They are also asking if Beer and Wine are allowed during their event. The Schwenksville Park and Rec. Board will discuss as the Parks Rules state No Alcoholic Beverages Allowed in Park or Pavilion. Mr. Yerger also

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inquired about the Albright Houses to Display. Lee Ann Miller responded that the Historical Committee is in favor and will supervise and will need help moving the houses conditional on the weather. Mr. Yerger needs to submit a list of the Albright Houses they would like displayed and send it to Ms. Miller.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: Steve Saboe of 116 Woodland Avenue is concerned about the new business in the Residential 1 area. Dog grooming Business, parking, disposal of the waste water. Mrs. Klepfer spoke with Mr. Mullock from Castle Valley. A letter will be sent to the owner to address these questions.

Bill Rubery of 109 Woodland Avenue would like to know what is going to be done about the property location Woodland Ave. and Summit Ave. December 2017 fire at the residence. It has come to the attention of the neighbors this property has become a health hazard with weeds and rodent infestation. The neighbors are asking Borough Council to look into this matter and notify the owner what his intentions are. Mrs. Klepfer gave the complaint to Mr. Mullock – Castle Valley Consultants.

ENGINEER'S REPORT Dave Leh, P.E. – Mr. Leh is absent from this evening's meeting. Mrs. Klepfer has two payments that need approval for James R. Kenney for the Meadow Park Phase II & Plaza Construction Contract. Payment #6 \$24,355.80 and Payment #7 14,067.00. **Motion** Greg Pocius **second** Todd Larsen to approve payment #6 and #7 to James R. Kenney. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Blake E. Dunbar Jr., Esquire

Hoff Properties Land Development: the developer recorded the Corrective Deed of Dedication for Forest Lane.

Carol-Lynn E Moran's appeal hearing is scheduled for August 29, 2018. Ms. Moran submitted a Right To Know request for which she picked up. Ms. Moran has submitted a second Right To Know Request which is being processed. Mrs. Phillips reported that the second request was processed and Ms. Moran has picked up.

Meadow Park Phase II – The legal descriptions to adjust the lot line for Meadow Park and the Fire Hall has been revised. Our office is in the process of preparing two Deeds to reflect the realigned properties owned by the Borough.

ACTION ITEMS – MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES:

Minutes: The July 12, 2018 have been tabled to the September meeting for approval.

Treasurer's Report: Gail Phillips submitted the Treasurer report for the period ending July 31, 2018, the current invoices due for payment total \$32,489.28. This includes \$12,779.21 from the General Fund, \$663.32 from the Liquid Fuels Account, \$7,496.81 from Capital Fund and \$11,549.94 payroll and taxes. **Motion** by Todd Larsen **second** Sarah Knickerbocker to pay the invoices and payroll totaling \$58,157.31. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Resolution 2018-14 – A Resolution Approving and authorizing execution of a Shared Parking Agreement for Meadow Park and Perkiomen Trail and naming Borough Manager Anne Klepfer as the appropriate person to execute the agreement. **Motion** Lee Ann Miller **second** Sarah Knickerbocker to authorize Anne Klepfer to execute the agreements. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

USDA paperwork requesting obligation. **Motion** Greg Pocius **second** Todd Larsen authorizing Anne Klepfer and Darren Rash to execute the USDA paperwork. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Manager’s Report – Anne Klepfer

Monthly Report A monthly activity report was submitted to Council by Mrs. Klepfer.

Finance Report: Mrs. Klepfer read the summary Financial Report. For the Period January 1, 2018 through July 31, 2018 total income for General Fund and Liquid Fuels Funds was \$493,076.04 and Total Expenditures was \$410,610.21 for a net gain of \$82,465.21. General Fund experienced a net gain of \$54,160.54. General Fund Assets total \$438,677.89, Capital fund Assets total \$100,399.31 and Liquid Fuels Fund Assets total \$74,307.70 and Fire Museum Fund Assets of \$19,790.68 for a combined Assets total of \$633,175.58.

Schwenksville Elementary Street Lighting Agreement: The School District has agreed to update and repair the Street Light fixtures around the Elementary School (Second Street and Perkiomen Ave.) to LED lights subject to an agreement that the Borough will accept dedication and assume responsibility for the maintenance and electric. **Motion** Greg Pocius **second** Lee Ann Miller to authorize Darren Rash and Gail Phillips to execute the agreement with the School District. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Ordinances for consideration of Adoption – Knox Box Ordinance & Volunteer Fire Fighter Tax Relief Ordinance – Motion Todd Larsen **second** Lee Ann Miller to authorize to advertise the Knox Box Ordinance. All in favor. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Mrs. Klepfer is still in need of more information about the Volunteer Fire Fighter Tax Relief Ordinance.

Committee Reports:

Park and Rec. Board: Clean up Park and Playground Friday August 10th at 6:30pm and Saturday August 11th 9:00am. Playground mulch will be delivered Friday.

Streets and Roads: Applying for a Grant to rebuilt Centennial and will add extra inlet for the Miller Street water runoff. This is in the five-year plan.

Other Business:

Ms. Miller wanted to know if there was any news on Berger Lane. Mrs. Klepfer said the property owner was refusing to offer it to Lower Frederick Township for dedication without payment. The owner also wanted Lower Frederick to take dedication of the storm water basin.

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Adjournment - Motion by Todd Larsen **second** Greg Pocius to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 pm.
Motion carried 5-0.

NEXT MEETING(S):

September 6, 2018 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00pm
September 13, 2018 Borough Council Meeting 7:00pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail L Phillips

Gail L. Phillips
Secretary