

SCHWENKSVILLE BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MAY 9, 2019

Council President Darren Rash called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on May 9, 2019 to order at 7:00 PM at Borough Hall, 140 Main Street, Schwenksville, PA 19473.

Present, Darren Rash, Lee Ann Miller, Greg Pocius, Todd Larsen, and Mayor Joe Giunta.

Also, present, Blake Dunbar Jr. Esquire, Engineer Dave Leh, P.E., Anne Klepfer, Borough Manager and Secretary-Treasurer Gail Phillips

**Absent:** Sarah Knickerbocker

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** By the Assembly

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

#### **Mayor's Report:**

**State Police Report** for April 2019, 46 incidents including 14 Security checks at 55 Second Street (Schwenksville Elementary). Most notable is two suicide attempts.

Mayor Giunta indicated he was contacted by Mr. Lukens who doesn't understand why he needs to remove the accessory sheds/structures from his property. Mayor Giunta asked Council for an exemption for Mr. Lukens to be able to leave one shed on his property to store lawn equipment until he makes plans on what will be done with the property. Council will give a one-year temporary Zoning Permit from the date of demolition for the previously conforming shed to remain on site to store the lawn equipment. Council will need a Temporary Zoning Permit Application from Mr. Lukens for the shed to remain.

**Fire Company Report:** Chris Melville reported Three (3) Fire calls for the month of April 2019 with no losses to report.

**Emergency Management Report:** Chris Melville report:

Continued bi-annual review of Emergency Operations Plan.

Perkiomen Valley Library has approved the use of their facility as a temporary EOC for the Limerick Drill Tuesday, November 19, 2019.

Attending training on the new web-based emergency management reporting tool being rolled out by Montgomery County. WebEOC replaced Knowledge Center on May 1st.

Attending the County Emergency Management Meeting on 17 April to discuss transportation emergencies and better Traffic Incident Management practices.

#### **Fire Marshal**

Knox website has been updated. Letter to impacted properties has been drafted and will be sent shortly. In all, there are 17 properties believed to be requiring a Knox Box.

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21 April: The Fire Marshal responded to a call for a woods/field fire originally dispatched in Perkiomen Township. Upon arrival, it was determined that the fire was in the woods to the rear of Schwenksville Elementary (50 2nd street). The fire was extinguished by Perkiomen Township Fire Company. The Fire Marshal will follow up with PVSD regarding the ongoing problem of teenagers burning wood on school property.

**Ambulance Report:** Mrs. Phillips read the report for April 2019 stating Plymouth Community Ambulance which includes 14 calls for the Borough and 4 Greenfield. PCAA Memberships are available anytime; please call 610-277-2776 & ask for the billing department.

**Special Business:** Bond Council Doug Rauch will assist the Borough and opened the Public Hearing and Ordinance Adoption for the General Obligation Note for the Interim Lending for the 300 Main Street Renovation Project. Mr. Rauch is from Geogeadis/Setley; Attorneys and Advisors. As you know the USDA financing requires as interim financing. Univest Bank has offered to finance the loan, two year draw down line of credit loan. The Ordinance does basically four things, it authorizes the issuance of a note which represents the amount you are borrowing and approves the project. It accepts the Univest proposal exhibit A. Maximum Debit Services Schedule Exhibit B, General Obligation Note for \$1,049,890.00 Exhibit C. the publication of the Ordinance and public meeting date. If Council enacts this Ordinance tonight the documents will be filed with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Approximately 20 days we should have an approval by them and closing for the loan can be done the beginning of June. Mr. Rauch asked for public comments. There being none, a **motion** by Todd Larsen **second** Greg Pocius to adopt Ordinance #2019-397 General Obligation Note. **Vote 4-0-1** with Ms. Miller abstaining as a part owner of the adjoining property at 350 Main Street. **Motion carried.** Public hearing adjourned.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS:** Rev. Tierson enjoyed Community Day and appreciated being asked to participate. Committee did a great job.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT Dave Leh, P.E.:** Meadow Park punch list work will be done this week by James R Kenney so that this project can be inspected by DCNR and closed.

CDBG grant sidewalk project Perkiomen Avenue to Maple Street will begin May 29<sup>th</sup> weather permitting.

**TA Set-A-Side Project:** sidewalk submission to PennDOT.

Road Repairs: potholes on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Perkiomen to Borough line, Mine Hill Road and Woodland Avenue. Sent to five companies for quotes. Floyd Hersh quote for \$18,195.25 patch repairs.

**Motion** Greg Pocius **second** Todd Larsen to have Floyd Hersh do the patch repairs on the mentioned roads. All in favor. **Motion carried 4-0.**

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

Rental Registration & Inspection Ordinance – Public Hearing & Adoption. Mr. Dunbar opened the public meeting at 7:34pm. Updates for Chapter 124 1-19 Rental Occupancy and Registration of the Schwenksville Borough Codified Codes. Exhibits B1 council Minutes from April 2019, B2 Legal Ad placed in the Pottstown Mercury, B3 Correspondence, B4 Proof of Publication and B5 Ordinance

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#398. **Motion** Todd Larsen **second** Greg Pocius to adopt Ordinance 2019-398. All in favor.  
**Motion carried 4-0.**

Verizon Franchise Renewal – Special Council has forwarded Red-Lined Templates for a renewal Franchise Agreement, 10-year contract, non-exclusive that can be terminated for cause, provides for a 5% of net cable revenue fee paid to the Borough. Mr. Dunbar opened the Public meeting at 7:37pm for questions. With there being no questions, a Greg Pocius made the **motion** to approve the Verizon Franchise Renewal **second** Lee Ann Miller. All in favor, **Motion carried 4-0.**

**ACTION ITEMS – MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES:**

**Minutes:** Dispense with the reading of the April 11 2019 and approve the minutes of April 11, 2019. **Motion** by Greg Pocius and **seconded** by Todd Larsen. All in favor, **Motion carried 4-0.**

**Treasurer's Report:** Gail Phillips submitted the Treasurer report for the period ending April 30, 2019, the current invoices due for payment total \$67,132.50. This includes \$34,528.89 from the General Fund, \$7,881.26 from Capital Fund and \$22,697.98 payroll and taxes, \$1,308.75 from the Construction Fund and \$715.62 from Liquid Fuels. **Motion** by Todd Larsen **second** Greg Pocius to pay the invoices and payroll totaling \$67,132.50. All in favor, **Motion carried 4-0.**

**Resolution No. 2019-14-** Resolution Accepting Dedication of eight (8) Ornamental Street Lights on Second Street and Perkiomen Avenue from the Perkiomen Valley School District. **Motion** Lee Ann Miller **second** Todd Larsen to adopt Resolution 2019-14 accepting dedication of eight Ornamental Street Lights from Perkiomen Valley School District pending the receipt of all paperwork. All in favor, **Motion carried 4-0.**

**Manager's Report – Anne Klepfer**

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

**Finance Report:** Mrs. Klepfer read the Financial Report for the Period January 1, 2019 through April 30, 2019 Total Income for General Fund and Liquid Fuels Funds was \$270,609.03 and Total Expenditures was \$170,535.39 for a net gain of \$100,073.64. General Fund experienced a net gain of \$74,849.28. General Fund Assets total \$460,803.22; Capital Fund Assets total 80,330.61; Liquid Fuels Fund Assets total \$86,575.15 and Fire Museum Fund Assets of \$19,332.62 for a combined Assets total of \$663,481.20.

**300 Main Street Project:** the project bids are due May 23, 2019. Special Meeting will be held on Thursday May 30, 2019 at 7:00pm at 300 Main Street for the purpose of discussion on the Regional Police matter and receiving/awarding the 300 Main Street Project.

**Committee Reports:**

**Community Day:** We had a beautiful day weather wise and a good crowd. Thank you to all the volunteers, vendors, entertainment for joining us. A special thank you to all the Sponsors.

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Summer Concerts: June 19, July 17 and August 21.

**Historical Committee:** The committee is meeting on the first Monday of the month. The Committee is working on the signs for the Observation Deck.

**Park Board:**

The next work day for the Park is Saturday May 18, @ 9:00am.

Thank you to Gail, Megan, Lee Ann, for helping with the weeding at the Plaza. Thank you, Greg, and Patty for helping to plant the plants donated by Chris Uhland.

**Adjournment - Motion** Greg Pocius **second** Lee Ann Miller to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm.  
**Motion carried 4-0.**

**NEXT MEETING(S):**

June 6, 2019 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00pm

June 13, 2019 Borough Council Meeting 7:00pm @ Borough Hall

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail L Phillips  
Secretary/Treasurer