

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF SEWICKLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL  
SEWICKLEY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**NOVEMBER 16, 2015**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with President Susan Aleshire presiding and leading the Meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call showed the following members present:

Charles Driscoll	Thomas DeFazio	Carole Ford	Jeff Neff
Todd Renner	Larry Rice		

Mr. Cornman was absent due to vacation and Mr. Morrill was absent due to work. Also present were Mayor Brian Jeffe, Borough Solicitor Richard Tucker, and Borough Manager Kevin M. Flannery.

There were 9 visitors.

Approval of Minutes:

On motion of Mr. Neff, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, the Minutes of the July 14 Council Meeting were approved, 4-0-3, with Mr. Driscoll, Mrs. Ford and Mr. Rice abstaining as they were not present for the meeting.

On motion of Mr. Neff, seconded by Mr. Renner, the Minutes of the Budget Meeting of October 5, 2015 were approved, 5-0-2, with Mr. DeFazio and Mr. Rice abstaining as they were not present for the meeting.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Renner, the Minutes of the Budget Meeting of October 17, 2015 were approved, 7-0.

On motion of Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 19, 2015 were approved and the reading of same dispensed with as copies were provided to the Members of Council, Mayor and Solicitor. The vote was 7-0.

On motion of Mr. Neff, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, the Minutes of the Special Meeting of October 28, 2015 were approved, 4-0-3, with Mrs. Aleshire, Mr. Driscoll and Mrs. Ford abstaining as they were not present for the meeting.

On motion of Mr. Renner, seconded by Mrs. Ford, the Committee of the Whole Minutes for November 10, 2015 were approved, 6-0-1, with Mr. Driscoll abstaining as he was not present.

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Comments from the Council President, Members and Mayor:

Mayor Brian Jeffe reminded everyone that Friday, December 4, 2015 is Light Up Night and December 5, 2015 is the annual Santa Parade sponsored by the Quaker Valley Rotary and the Borough.

President Aleshire advised that an Executive Session was held before the November 10, 2015 Committee of the Whole meeting for personnel review of the Borough Manager and contract matters. On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Renner, Council voted, 6-1, with Mrs. Ford voting no, for an 8% payment to the Manager for meeting performance goals as established by Council in January.

President Aleshire complimented the Quaker Valley Council of Governments and the Borough Public Works for a great Recycling Day on November 7, 2015.

Mrs. Ford addressed Council regarding upcoming legislation and an information services opportunity with Pitt Services.

Statement of Citizens:

Ms. LaVern Burton of Sewickley Academy was in attendance and presented a check in the amount of \$253.33 for a donation to the Sewickley Police Department from the Academy pancake breakfast.

Unfinished Business:

Public Hearing:

Proposed amendment to Chapter 27 to rezone Block and Lots 506-C-239 and 506-C-180 from a Residential to Highway Commercial C-2. Solicitor Tucker conducted the Public Hearing. Court Stenographer Donna McMullen administered the oath to all who were testifying on this issue.

Mr. KC Kowalyk addressed Council as the applicant for the change of zoning. He stated that this proposed zoning amendment would allow for the two parcels to be adjoined with the existing Townhouse property to provide for more employee parking and more display area for vehicles for the Sewickley Car Store. No other comments offered.

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Solicitor Tucker closed the Public Hearing. Borough Manager provided Exhibits on the Public Advertisements, correspondence to and from Allegheny Economic Development Office and the public notices to all adjacent property owners. Also a Public Notice was provided to all adjacent municipalities and the Quaker Valley School District.

On motion of Mr. Neff, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, Council voted, 7-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Ordinance No. 1339, accepting the recommendation of the Borough of Sewickley Planning Commission, to rezone Block and Lot No. 506-C-239, 237 Chadwick Street, and Block and Lot No., 506-C-180, 248 Ohio River Boulevard, from a Residential R1-A Zoning District to a Highway Commercial C-2 Zoning District.

Public Hearing:

Proposed Subdivision Request for the Consolidation of Lots. Solicitor Tucker conducted the Public Hearing. Court Stenographer Donna McMullen administered the oath to all who were testifying on this issue.

Mr. KC Kowalyk addressed Council as the applicant for the consolidation of lots. With Council's rezoning completed, it is the intention of the Sewickley Car Store to combine the lots for employee parking and more display area for vehicles for the Sewickley Car Store. No other comments offered.

Solicitor Tucker closed the Public Hearing. Borough Manager provided Exhibits on the Public Advertisements, correspondence to and from Allegheny Economic Development Office and the public notices to all adjacent property owners.

On motion of Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, Council voted, 7-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution 2015-019, accepting the recommendation of the Borough of Sewickley Planning Commission, to approve the Sewickley Car Store Plan of Lots – Townhouse Lot Consolidation Plan for Block and Lot No. 506-C-239, 237 Chadwick Street, and Block, Lot No., 506-C-180, 248 Ohio River Boulevard, and 506-C-194, 244 Ohio River Boulevard into one parcel zoned Highway Commercial C-2.

New Business:

Council conducted a Public Hearing on the 2016 Borough of Sewickley Budget. Borough Manager stated that the Sewer Fund Budget was \$2,071,854 and the General Fund Budget was \$5,644,645. The proposed budget establishes the real estate millage at 6.25 mills.

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On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, Council voted, 7-0, to approve the 2016 Sewer Fund Budget and Capital Reserve Fund No. 5 for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Mr. Renner, Council voted, 7-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2015-020 establishing the Subdivision Fee at \$550 and the Land Development Fee at \$550.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 7-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2015-021 establishing the Zoning Appeal and Variance Fee at \$550 and the Conditional Use Hearing Fee at \$550 and the Sign Permit Fee at \$50.

On motion of Mr. Rice, seconded by Mrs. Ford, Council voted, 7-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2015-022 establishing the cost for a Memorial Tree and Plaque at \$300 for the tree and the actual cost of the plaque.

On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Mr. Rice, Council voted, 7-0, to adopt Ordinance No. 1340 establishing the 2016 real estate tax millage at 6.25 mills.

On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Mr. Renner, Council voted, 7-0, to adopt the 2016 General Fund Budget and Capital Reserve Fund No. 3, Building Reserve Fund; Capital Reserve Fund No. 4, Fire Reserve Fund; and Capital Reserve Fund No. 6, Capital Improvements Program.

Approval of Accounts:

On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Mr. Neff, Council voted, 7-0, to approve the General Fund account payables for the month of November 2015, as presented.

On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Mrs. Ford, Council voted, 7-0, to approve the Sewer Fund account payables for the month of November 2015, as presented.

The October 2015 General Fund and Sewer Fund Budget reports were received and filed.

The October 2015 Fund Statement report was received and filed.

The Labor and Vendor report were received and filed.

The Legal Expenses Monthly Report was reviewed.

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Department and Commission Reports:

The following reports and minutes were received and ordered filed:

Police Report for Council, October 2015

Cochran Hose Report, October 2015

Planning Commission Minutes, November 4, 2015

Tree Commission Minutes of November 9, 2015

The final version of a proposed Shade Tree Ordinance was presented.

Borough Manager:

Borough Manager advised that the Contractor is completing grass restoration. The Borough crews will be installing the new signage.

Council reviewed the October fuel prices.

Council reviewed Allegheny North Tax Collection Committee Report, 2016 Adopted Budget and the 2016 Meeting Schedule.

Council reviewed Letter to Business District regarding Yuletide activities.

Council reviewed the Pension Plan Reports for October.

Council reviewed letter from Aleppo Township on the advertisement of codification of the Zoning and Land Development Ordinances.

Borough Manager provided an update on the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) indicating the Borough is proceeding with the system mapping.

Council reviewed Road Salt Service Letters from communities agreeing to terms for salt.

Borough Manager reminded Council Members to return Borough Appreciation Dinner forms.

Borough Manager reviewed preliminary Council Orientation for new elected officials. Mr. Neff, Mr. Davidson, and Mr. Theis did attend the Local Government Academy Newly Elected Officials course on Saturday, November 21, 2015.

The Borough Manager's Report was received and filed.

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Solicitor's Report:

On motion of Mr. Renner, seconded by Mr. Rice, Council voted, 7-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Ordinance No. 1341 a five-year Police Services Agreement with the Borough of Glen Osborne.

Solicitor Tucker provided an update on the Haysville Sewer Services negotiations.

The Solicitor's Report was received and filed.

Tax Collector's Report:

On motion of Mrs. Ford, seconded by Mr. Rice, Council voted, 7-0, to accept and order received and filed the tax collector's report and exonerations for the Month of October 2014.

Adjournment:

On motion of Mr. Renner the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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KEVIN M. FLANNERY  
Borough Manager and Secretary

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SUSAN H. ALESHIRE  
President of Council