

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

JUNE 15, 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:

William Cornman	Charles Driscoll	Thomas DeFazio	Carole Ford
James Morrill	Jeff Neff	Todd Renner	Larry Rice

Also present were Mayor Brian Jeffe, Borough Solicitor Richard Tucker, and Borough Manager Kevin M. Flannery.

There were 12 visitors.

Approval of Minutes:

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mrs. Ford, the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 18, 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 8-0-1, with Mr. Driscoll abstaining as he was not in attendance for the meeting.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Rice, the Committee of the Whole Minutes for June 9, 2015 were approved 8-0-1, with Mr. Driscoll abstaining as he was not in attendance for the meeting.

Comments from the Council President, Members and Mayor:

Mayor Jeffe stated that the Quaker Valley Recreation Association 5th Annual Family 5K Run and Walk is Saturday, June 20th beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Mayor Jeffe reminded all that the Garden Tour is Friday, June 19th and Saturday, June 20th.

Mr. DeFazio commented on the Quaker Valley Chamber of Commerce meeting highlighting the success of the Barbecue Event and proposed changes in By-Laws on election of Chamber Officers.

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Statement of Citizens:

Jennifer Markus and Alex Lanciannese of Explore Sewickley provided monthly update of activities. They asked to provide assistance in getting business comments on the discussion Loading Zones in the business district. On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mrs. Ford, Council voted, 9-0, to have Explore Sewickley conduct focus group meetings to provide data and comments regarding the loading zones.

Alex Lancianese updated Council on the Main Street Application. She reviewed the workings of the 4 committees assisting in the project. The application is scheduled to be sent in August to the Pennsylvania Downtown Center and DCED.

John Orndorff, of Glen Osborne Borough, was in attendance to provide an update on the Mackin Engineering, Inc. study of the Ohio River Trail Phase 2 for bicycle route in Sewickley. The purpose is to connect the Sewickley Bridge to Edgeworth, Leetsdale, and Ambridge to the Aliquippa-Ambridge Bridge and Route 51. He reviewed photos and drawings highlighting the suggested routes and proposed "Sharing the Road" signage. The Borough Manager advised that the staff will review and prepare recommendation for the July 14 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Unfinished Business:

Borough Manager read letter from Attorney Charles P. Jones requesting removal of the Haines House Lot Consolidation Plan for a Public Hearing tonight. On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Mr. Renner, Council voted, 9-0, to acknowledge Applicant's June 12, 2015 letter requesting to withdraw the Haines House Plan of Lots Subdivision at this time.

New Business:

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Renner, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Ordinance No. 1334 for the regulation of vegetation growth and maintenance.

Council reviewed Mayor Jeffe's recommendation for a Loading Zone for Broad Street in front of Wolcott Park.

Mrs. Cavalier of 411 Osborne Lane asked the number of trucks that make deliveries?

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Sandra Lane of 819 Ackley Terrace stated that Wolcott Park was one of the nicest places to sit and enjoy the business district. She reviewed other locations that may be better such as alleys, Division Street by Orr's, Chestnut Street or by the Verizon Building by Straight Street.

John Dunn suggested the area on Broad Street right past the Citizens Bank parking lot.

Council was in agreement to get the results from the Explore Sewickley focus sessions with the business district.

Approval of Accounts:

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Renner, Council voted, 9-0, to approve the General Fund account payables for the month of June 2015, as presented.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mrs. Ford, Council voted, 9-0, to approve the Sewer Fund account payables for the month of June 2015, as presented.

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

The May 2015 Statement of All Funds report was received and filed.

The May 2015 Profit and Loss Summary report was received and filed.

The May 2015 Legal Expense Report was received and filed.

The Labor and Vendor report was received and filed.

Department and Commission Reports:

The following reports and minutes were received and ordered filed:

Police Report for Council, May 2015
Cochran Hose Report, May 2015
Planning Commission Minutes of June 3, 2015
Tree Commission Minutes, June 8, 2015

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Borough Manager:

Borough Manager reviewed the 2015 Road Project. Curb installation as far as Broad Street, the ADA ramps are 35% complete, and 21 property owners have responded with tree requests. It is anticipated that paving will begin July 27.

Council reviewed the fuel prices for May 2015.

Council reviewed the Act 77 Allegheny County Senior Citizen Tax Relief Listing.

Council reviewed the Earned Income Tax Collection Reports and Update as of May 31, 2015.

Borough Manager advised that the Borough did receive \$1,571.71 in a Short Term Disability Insurance Dividend.

Council reviewed First National Bank statements for the Police Pension Fund and the Service Employees Pension Fund.

On motion of Mr. Morrill, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, Council voted, 9-0, to approve agreement with Quaker Valley Council of Governments in the amount of \$30,000 for CD 40.3.11.4 Housing Demolition Grant for 923 Dickson Road, Block and Lot No. 421-D-9 and 326 Sprott Way, Block and Lot No. 508-J-140.

Council reviewed letter from U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Statistics on reporting of jobs.

On motion of Mr. Renner, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt policy for notification for Tree Commission removals and plantings. To be used until permanent revisions have been made to Tree Commission Ordinance.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Neff, Council voted, 8-1, with Mrs. Aleshire voting no, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2015-011 in support of the Explore Sewickley Keystone Main Street Application.

On motion of Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, Council voted, 9-0, to have one meeting in July on July 14, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. to conduct all normal business for the month.

The Borough Manager's Report was received and filed.

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Solicitor's Report:

On motion of Mr. Renner, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to advertise a Public Hearing for August for the proposed ordinance regarding dimensional requirements for the zoning ordinance.

Solicitor Tucker provided update on the De Facto Condemnation filed by the Murrers – GC 25-007617.

The Solicitor's Report was received and filed.

Tax Collector's Report:

On motion of Mrs. Ford, seconded by Mr. Morrill, Council voted, 9-0, to accept and order received and filed the tax collector's report and exonerations for the Month of May 2015.

Adjournment:

On motion of Mr. Cornman, the meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

KEVIN M. FLANNERY
Borough Manager and Secretary

SUSAN ALESHIRE
President of Council