

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

MARCH 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:

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

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. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Rice, the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 16, 2015 were approved, 9-0, and the reading of same dispensed with as copies were provided to the Members of Council, Mayor and Solicitor.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mrs. Ford, the Committee of the Whole Minutes for March 10, 2015 were approved, 8-0-1, with Mr. Morrill abstaining as he was not present for the meeting.

Comments from the Council President, Members and Mayor:

Mayor Jeffe advised that the Spring Gallery walk would be April 10 and 11. Annual May Mart is Saturday, May 9, 2015 and Sewickley Unleashed is May 16, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Vice President Bill Cornman invited all to the Spring Tree Planting on Saturday, April 25, 2015 at 8:45 a.m.

President Aleshire announced that for the 3rd consecutive year the Borough of Sewickley achieved the Banner Community Status.

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President Aleshire presented a plaque to former Councilperson, Stanley Ference for his years of service to the Borough of Sewickley. Mr. Ference resigned from Council in February because they moved to Edgeworth. Mr. Ference thanked everyone and wished them well.

Statement of Citizens:

Connor Magnon presented 6 doggie bag stations to the Borough as completion of his student school project. The doggie bag stations will be placed around the business district to assist dog owners. Council gave Conner a round of applause.

Unfinished Business:

A Public Hearing was conducted by Solicitor Richard Tucker on the Water Works Plan of Lots – Revised Parcel A Subdivision.. Borough Manager testifies that this subdivision was for the 31.884 acres in Waterworks Park that has been sold to the Allegheny Land Trust. Court Stenographer McMullen administered the oath to all who were providing testimony.

Borough Manager also testified as to the public notices provided and other exhibits presented.

Solicitor Tucker closed the Public Hearing. On motion of Mrs. Ford, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2015-002 accepting the recommendation of the Borough of Sewickley Planning Commission and approving the January 23, 2015 Water Works Park Plan of Lots – Revised Parcel A Subdivision, Block and Lot No. 509-L-100 establishing a 31.884 acre lot zoned Open Space.

A Public Hearing was conducted by Solicitor Richard Tucker on the Green Street Plan of Lots – Revised Subdivision. Borough Manager testifies that this subdivision was for the establishment of lots owned by the Borough. One lot was for the Green Street parking Lot, the lot for the proposed lease for the Village Theater and a front lot for the Borough to place a park plaza. Court Stenographer McMullen administered the oath to all who were providing testimony.

Borough Manager also testified as to the public notices provided and other exhibits presented.

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Solicitor Tucker closed the Public Hearing. On motion of Mr. Morrill, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2015-003 accepting the recommendation of the Borough of Sewickley Planning Commission and approving the January 22, 2015 Green Street Plan of Lots – Revised Subdivision for Block and Lot 421-A-66, establishing Parcel 1-R – a 25,550 square foot lot or .609 acre; Parcel 2-R – a 11,800 square foot lot or .271 acres; and Parcel 3-R – a 10,635 square foot lot or .244 acre and all parcels remain in the C-1 Village Overlay zoning district.

New Business:

A Public Hearing was conducted by Solicitor Richard Tucker on the Slippery Mermaid North, LLC liquor license transfer request. Court Stenographer McMullen administered the oath to all who were providing testimony.

Borough Manager also testified as to the public notices provided and other exhibits presented.

Solicitor Tucker closed the Public Hearing. On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Renner, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2015-004 approving the transfer of Restaurant Liquor License R-12695 into the Borough of Sewickley from DOJO, Inc., 1318 Wolfe Avenue Rear, North Braddock, Braddock, PA. 15104.

On motion of Mr. Morrill, seconded by Mr. Rice, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2015-005, Statement of Investment Policy, dated March 16, 2015, for the Borough of Sewickley Employees' Defined Benefit Pension Plan and the Borough of Sewickley Police Pension Plan.

On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Mr. Rice, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2015-006 authorizing the filing of an application for funds with the Allegheny County Department of Economic Development.

On motion of Mrs. Ford, seconded by Mr. Cornman, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2015-007 declaring 326 Spratt Way and 923 Dickson Road as slum and blighted property.

Approval of Accounts:

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

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

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

The February 2015 Fund Statement report was received and filed.

The February 2015 Labor and Vendor report was received and filed.

Council reviewed the monthly Legal Expense Report.

Department and Commission Reports:

The following reports and minutes were received and ordered filed:

Police Report for Council, February 2015
Cochran Hose Report, February 2015
Planning Commission Minutes, March 4, 2015

Tree Commission Minutes, March 9, 2015

On motion of Mrs. Ford, seconded by Mr. Neff, Council voted, 9-0, to ratify Tree Commission bid acceptance of Contract No. 2015-TC-001 for 2015, the Borough Tree Pruning Project to Tall Timber Tree Experts of Gibsonia, PA in the amount of \$16,880.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Neff, Council voted, 9-0, to ratify Tree Commission bid acceptance of Contract No. 2015-TC-002 for 2015, the Borough Tree Removal Project to Carl's Tree Service and landscaping of West Mifflin, PA. in the amount of \$12,495.

Borough Manager:

Borough Manager reviewed the 2015 Road Project with the curbs being replaced on Cochran Street.

The Borough Manager advised that the Spring Leaf Pick Up will be from March 30 through April 10, 2015.

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On motion of Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2015-008 recognizing Sweetwater Center for the Arts as civic and service association under the Local Options Small Games of Chance Act.

Council reviewed the Allegheny North Tax Collection Committee February Report for Sewickley.

Council reviewed fuel prices for February 2015.

Council reviewed 1st quarter Verizon franchise fee payment.

Borough Manager reported only one bid received for the Green Street Parking Lot Bid Opening Project. It was Carl Walker Construction and proposed an alternative to the bid. As per the advice of the Solicitor, Council, on motion of Mr. Renner, seconded by Mr. Neff, voted, 9-0, to reject the bid submitted.

Council did want to talk with Carl Walker regarding their alternative suggestion. Council members were asked to forward questions to the Borough Manager to be provided to Carl Walker for discussion.

Council reviewed Allegheny County Treasurer's Office senior citizen real estate tax relief program.

Council reviewed proposed loading and unloading zones as presented by Mayor Jeffe and Chief Ersher. Feedback will be heard at the April meetings.

On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Mr. Cornman, Council voted, 9-0, to have Borough Manager and Solicitor prepare an ordinance establishing an on street permit parking district on Walnut Street from Rose Alley to Bank Street.

Borough Manager advised that the Public Hearings for the Village Theater Land Development will be May 6, 2015 before the Planning Commission and May 18, 2015 before Borough Council.

Council reviewed the First National Bank Pension Plan Reports for the Month of February, 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. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Ordinance No. 1328 amending and restating in full the Borough of Sewickley Police Pension Plan.

On motion of Mr. Morrill, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Ordinance No. 1329 amending and restating in full the Borough of Sewickley General Employees' Defined Benefit Pension Plan.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Renner, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Ordinance No. 1330 adopting the Borough of Sewickley General Employees' Defined Contribution Pension Plan.

On motion of Mr. Neff, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Ordinance No. 1331 amending Chapter 6, Part 4, Section 410 of the Borough of Sewickley Code of Ordinances by deleting provisions to regulations of firearms.

On motion of Mr. Morrill, seconded by Mr. Rice, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Ordinance No. 1332 prohibiting parking at all times on the south side of Beaver Street from Academy Avenue to Little Street.

Council reviewed letter to Judge Gallo regarding the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania v. Lawrence Oswald Case, No. SA 2744-2014.

The Solicitor's Report was received and filed.

Tax Collector's Report:

On motion of Mrs. Ford, seconded by Mr. Cornman, Council voted, 9-0, to accept and order received and filed the tax collector's report and exonerations for the Month of February 201.

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Adjournment:

On motion of Mr. Driscoll the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

KEVIN M. FLANNERY
Borough Manager and Secretary

SUSAN ALESHIRE
President of Council