

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

FEBRUARY 21, 2011

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

Roll Call showed the following members present:

Susan Aleshire	William Cornman	Thomas DeFazio	Charles Driscoll
Stanley Ference	Carole Ford	Glenn Ford	Dean S. C. Williams

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

There were 7 visitors.

Approval of Minutes:

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Ference, the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 17, 2011 were approved and the reading of same dispensed with as copies were provided to the Members of Council, Mayor and Solicitor. The vote was 6-0-3, with Mr. Ford, Mrs. Ford and Mr. Hague abstaining because they were not in attendance at the meeting.

On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Mr. Ference, Council voted, 6-0-3, with Mr. Ford, Mrs. Ford and Mr. DeFazio abstaining because they not in attendance, to approve the Council Minutes of the Special Meeting on January 31, 2011.

On motion of Mr. Ference, seconded by Mr. Ford, Council voted, 8-0-1 with Mr. DeFazio abstaining because he was not in attendance, to approve the February 15, 2011 Committee of the Whole Minutes.

Comments from the Council President, Members and Mayor:

Mr. Cornman stated that traffic has been backed up on the Sewickley Bridge since PENNDOT has begun to work on the Route 65 traffic signals. PENNDOT to be advised and the project monitored for access from the side streets.

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Mr. Ford asked if the Police Department has a policy pursuing vehicles given the incident that occurred in Sewickley Heights and ended up in Cranberry Township. Borough Manager advised that there is a Police Pursuit policy.

President Hague announced there was an Executive Session at the conclusion of the February 15, 2011 Committee of the Whole meeting for personnel matters and potential litigation matters.

Statement of Citizens:

A Hearing was conducted to take comments, concerns and questions on the operation and satisfaction of the Comcast cable services within the Borough of Sewickley. The hearing was advertised as the Borough begins to renew the Comcast Franchise Agreement for Sewickley. There were no comments presented.

Elliott Schardt addressed Council regarding trash and recycling services in Sewickley. He suggested that as many as five collectors should be able to service Sewickley to keep costs down. He recently moved from Tennessee and garbage costs were between \$17 and \$25 per month and about \$5.00 per month for recyclables. It was explained that the current contract expires this year and the cost per quarter is \$48.78 for curbside pick up of garbage and recyclables.

Peter Floyd of 337 Elwick Street addressed Council on roads. He stated that he is hopeful the repairs by the gas company on Walnut Street bricks will last. He realizes that there was a ½ mill tax increase specifically for roads and he wants Council to keep repairing roads. In addition, he asked Council to forward a letter to the Pennsylvania legislature and to the federal legislators to increase the gasoline tax in order that funds can be returned to local jurisdictions to assist in fixing roads. Mr. Floyd also requested that Council contact PENNDOT in regards to a third lane on the Sewickley Bridge. Mr. Floyd also requested that when the police respond to accidents on Route 65 that more attention is given to directing traffic during the event.

Unfinished Business:

On motion of Mrs. Aleshire, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Resolution No. 2011-003 establishing a handicapped parking space at parking meter space number 42 on Beaver Street.

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New Business:

On motion of Mrs. Aleshire, seconded by Mr. Ference, Council voted, 9-0, to appoint Mr. Brian Turk, of 308 Logan Street, to a five-year term on the Sewickley Water Authority. Term to expire December 31, 2015.

Approval of Accounts:

On motion of Mr. Ference, seconded by Mr. Cornman, Council voted, 9-0, to approve the General Fund account payables for the month of February 2011, as presented.

On motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Mrs. Aleshire, Council voted, 9-0, to approve the Sewer Fund account payables for the month of February 2011, as presented.

The January 2011 General Fund and Sewer Fund Budget reports were received and filed.

On motion of Mr. Cornman, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to approve payment to PENNVEST in the amount of \$3,662,818.86 for the Headworks and Dewatering Facility project.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Cornman, Council voted, 9-0, to approve payment to Pipeline Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$1,185,315.60 for the Headworks and Dewatering Facility project including delay charge and pay applications 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

On motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, Council voted, 9-0, to approve payment to KLH Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$284,027.52 for engineering services for the Glen Osborne Interconnect Project.

The January 2011 Fund Statement report was received and filed.

The January 2011 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, January 2011
Cochran Hose Report, January 2011

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Tree Commission Minutes, February 14, 2011

Council requested list of the pear trees being treated by location

Borough Manager:

On motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to approve the Municipal Risk Management property insurance renewal in the amount of \$80,534.

Council reviewed the 4th Quarter 2010 Verizon Franchise Fee Report.

Council reviewed the DCED Survey of Financial Condition Report and the PENNDOT Liquid Fuels Report for 2010.

On motion of Mr. Ference, seconded by Mrs. Ford, Council voted, 9-0, to award digester roof replacement project to West Tech in the amount of \$235,975 pursuant to KLH Engineers, Inc. recommendation to complete emergency repairs.

On motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to award digester cleaning to Tri State Maintenance in the amount of \$77,156 pursuant to KLH Engineers, Inc. recommendation to complete emergency repairs.

Borough Manager provided update on the Route 65 Traffic Light timing project. The project is scheduled to last until the middle of April.

Borough Manager reviewed the 2011 Road Project. The Resident Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 3, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. The Utility Meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 25. It is the intention to bid in March and award bid in April and start construction in May.

The Borough Manager's Report was received and filed.

Solicitor's Report:

Council discussed the Village Green Agreement for marketing services of the business district. Linda Breen and Vince Heck addressed Council on the proposed agreement suggesting the more definable goals should be included in the agreement. In addition, all businesses should have access to the Village Green and be linked on the site. Kirsten Stripay of Village Green stated that all businesses will have access and a link to the

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website. On motion of Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 8-1 with Mrs. Ford voting no, to approve the Village Green Agreement.

On motion of Mr. Cornman, seconded by Mr. Williams, Council voted, 9-0, to adopt Resolution No. 2011-004 approving the Beaver Hall Developer's Agreement.

The Solicitor's Report was received and filed.

Tax Collector's Report:

On motion of Mr. Ference, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 9-0, to accept and order received and filed the tax collector's report and exonerations for the Month of January 2011.

The Tax Collector's Report was received and filed.

Adjournment:

On motion of Mr. Ference, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, Council voted, 9-0, to adjourn at 10:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

KEVIN M. FLANNERY
Borough Manager and Secretary

ROBERT HAGUE
President of Council