

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

OCTOBER 17, 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 Thomas DeFazio Carole Ford Glenn Ford
Stanley Ference (7:38 p.m.) Robert Glenn
Mr. Cornman was absent due to vacation. Mr. Driscoll was absent due to work.

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. Ford, seconded by Mrs. Aleshire, the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 19, 2011 were approved, and the reading of same dispensed with as copies were provided to the Members of Council, Mayor and Solicitor.

On motion of Mrs. Aleshire, seconded by Mr. Glenn, the Committee of the Whole Minutes for October 11, 2011 were approved, 5-0-2, with Mr. DeFazio and Mr. Glenn abstaining due to not being in attendance for the meeting.

Comments from the Council President, Members and Mayor:

Mayor Brian Jeffe announced that the Halloween Parade will be held on Saturday, October 29, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. and Halloween Trick or Treat will be on Monday, October 31, 2011 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

President Hague stated that an Executive Session was held at the conclusion of the Committee of the Whole meeting regarding a contract and litigation.

Statement of Citizens:

Linda Vacarro of 102 Walnut Street and Jim Jackson of the Sewickley Community Center requesting the placement of a table for the Sewickley Area Food Pantry during Light Up Night. Council was in agreement.

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Quaker Valley Rotary President James Mastroianni and Member Scott Diemert addressed Council that this is the 25th Anniversary of the Quaker Valley Rotary, The Rotary maintains an excellent working relationship with the Borough on several community events and presented a \$500.00 donation to the Borough's General Fund. Council members thanked the Quaker Valley Rotary for their continued efforts in serving Sewickley and the area.

Unfinished Business:

Solicitor Tucker conducted a public hearing on the McManus Consolidation Plan of Lots. The Court Stenographer administered the oath to all who were testifying. Mr. Peter Perkins representing the property stated that this is a simple combination of the two existing lots at 20 Thorn Street.

There was no opposition to the project from the public.

Borough Manager testified that the advertisement was in accordance with the PA Municipalities Planning Code and the Borough of Sewickley Code of Ordinances. A copy of the advertisement and the list of adjoining property owners were presented as an exhibit.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mrs. Ford, Council voted, 7-0, to accept the recommendation of the Borough of Sewickley Planning Commission and approve the McManus Consolidation Plan of Lots, for 20 Thorn Street, Block and Lot Nos. 507-L-070 and 507-L-073.

New Business:

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Ference, Council voted, 7-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Ordinance No. 1298, establishing an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the Borough of Edgeworth to provide fire protection services.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Glenn, Council voted, 7-0, to adopt Borough of Sewickley Resolution No. 2011-014 removing the "No Turn on Red" restriction onto Route 65 at Walnut Street pursuant to PENNDOT approval letter dated October 3, 2011.

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Approval of Accounts:

On motion of Mr. Ference, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, Council voted, 7-0, to approve the General Fund account payables for the month of October 2011, as presented.

On motion of Mr. Ference, seconded by Mrs. Aleshire, Council voted, 7-0, to approve the Sewer Fund account payables for the month of October 2011, as presented.

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

The September 2011 Fund Statement report was received and filed.

The September 2011 Profit and Loss Summary was received and filed.

The Labor and Vendor report were received and filed.

Council reviewed the legal expenses to date. The major concern is the ongoing legal battle regarding the Country Inn Property. Mr. DeFazio and Mr. Glenn stated that this needs to come to an end and suggested that a letter be written to the newspaper explaining same.

Department and Commission Reports:

The following reports and minutes were received and ordered filed:

Police Report for Council, September 2011
Cochran Hose Report, September 2011
Planning Commission Minutes, October 5, 2011

On motion of Mr. Ference, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, Council voted, 7-0, to forward the proposed zoning ordinance amendments to Allegheny County Economic Development and advertise a Public Hearing for Monday, December 19, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Tree Commission Minutes of October 10, 2011

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Borough Manager:

Borough Manager advised that the 2012 Budget Meeting will be held on Saturday, October 22, 2011 beginning at 7:00 a.m. and concluding around noon. At the meeting Council may tentatively adopt the budget with a final vote on Monday, November 21, 2011.

Borough Manager advised that the 2011 Road Project paving would be on October 25 through November 2. The restoration of Walnut Street is scheduled to be completed by November 11, 2011.

On motion of Mrs. Ford, seconded by Mr. Ford, Council voted, 7-0, to accept the Quaker Valley Council of Governments bid for garbage, recycling and e waste services and award a five year agreement to Waste Management of Pittsburgh.

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Quarter	\$ 46.95	\$ 48.36	\$ 49.80	\$ 51.30	\$ 52.86
Annual	\$ 187.80	\$ 193.44	\$ 199.20	\$ 205.20	\$ 211.44

Council reviewed 3rd quarter pension reports on the Borough's pension plans.

On motion of Mr. Glenn, seconded by Mr. Ference, Council voted, 7-0, to approve the 2012 Meeting Schedule for Council, Boards and Commissions.

Borough Manager reviewed letter to employees on the 2011 holiday observances for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years.

Council reviewed list of Board and Commission appointments that are up at the end of the year. As is past practice, a letter has been sent to all appointees requesting if they wish to be reappointed as well as a public advertisement.

Council reviewed the fuel prices for the month of September.

Council reviewed letter from Quaker Valley Ambulance Authority stating the 2012 Assessment Rate will remain the same as this years.

The Borough Manager's Report was received and filed.

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Solicitor's Report:

Solicitor Tucker presented update on MCM Ventures, LTD. v. Zoning Hearing Board of the Borough of Sewickley, No. 759 CD 2011.

The Solicitor's Report was received and filed.

Tax Collector's Report:

On motion of Mr. Ference, seconded by Mrs. Ford, Council voted, 7-0, to accept and order received and filed the tax collector's report and exonerations for the Month of September 2011.

Adjournment:

On motion of Mr. Ference, seconded by Mr. DeFazio, Council voted, 7-0, to adjourn at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

KEVIN M. FLANNERY
Borough Manager and Secretary

ROBERT HAGUE
President of Council