

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

SEPTEMBER 21, 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	Charles Driscoll	
Carole Ford	Jeff Neff	Todd Renner	Larry Rice

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 11 visitors.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mrs. Ford, the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of August 17, 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 6-0-2, with Mr. Driscoll and Mr. Renner abstaining as they were not present for the meeting.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Rice, the Committee of the Whole Minutes for September 15, 2015 were approved, 8-0.

COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT, MEMBERS AND MAYOR

Mayor Brian Jeffe stated that the Gallery Walk is on Friday, September 25th, 6 pm to 9 pm and Saturday, September 26th, 10 am to 5 pm.

Mayor Jeffe expressed his appreciation to the Sewickley Police Department, Fire Department and Borough Staff for their assistance with the Sewickley Harvest Festival.

Mayor Jeffe announced that the HVHS Sewickley 5K Heart and Sole Run/Walk will take place on Saturday, October 10th, beginning at War Memorial Park.

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Mayor Jeffe stated that the Halloween Parade, sponsored by the Quaker Valley Rotary and the Borough of Sewickley, will be held on Saturday, October 31st, at 10:30 a.m.

Mayor Jeffe announced that Halloween Trick or Treating in Sewickley will be on Friday, October 31st, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Council President Susan Aleshire indicated that the Quaker Valley COG Recycling Day will be on Saturday, November 7, 2015, hosted by the Borough of Sewickley. Mrs. Aleshire announced that shredding will be available at this event.

Mrs. Ford reported the Senate Bill 299 is currently before the legislature. The bill provides relief for firefighters from earned income tax.

STATEMENT OF CITIZENS

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Rice, Council voted, 8-0, to approve the request of the Sewickley Methodist Church to have parking meters covered on Broad Street, after 4:00 p.m., on Friday, September 25th, for the delivery of pumpkins, and to cover the first 3 meters for the entire month of October for pumpkin loading.

Council reviewed request and approval letter for Penn State Beaver Campus THON Event solicitation in the Business District for September 26, 2015.

Council reviewed letter from Karess L. Rogers, new owner of 923 Dickson Road to address Council. Ms. Rogers did not attend the meeting.

On motion of Mrs. Ford, seconded by Mr. Renner, Council voted, 8-0, to approve Block Party on Thorn Street for October 3rd.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

On motion of Mr. Cornman, seconded by Mr. Renner, Council voted, 8-0, to accept the recommendation of the Historic Review Commission and approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for 960 Beaver Street, Block and Lot No. 421-K-333 to install a 6 foot fence in the rear yard, as submitted.

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NEW BUSINESS

On motion of Mr. Neff, seconded by Mr. Rice, Council voted, 8-0, to schedule a Public Hearing on October 19, 2015 for the Hoey's Run Subdivision Hearing, to create four separate parcels.

On motion of Mr. Neff, seconded by Mr. Renner, Council voted, 8-0, to schedule a Public Hearing on November 16, 2015 for the Townhouse Subdivision and Rezoning Request.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Renner Council voted, 8-0, to approve the General Fund account payables for the month of August 2015, as presented.

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Rice, Council voted, 8-0, to approve the Sewer Fund account payables for the month of August 2015, as presented.

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

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

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

The August 2015 Labor and Vendor Report was reviewed.

The August 2015 Legal Expenses Monthly Report was received and filed.

DEPARTMENT AND COMMISSION REPORTS

The following reports and minutes were received and ordered filed:

Police Report for Council, August 2015

Cochran Hose Report, August 2015

Planning Commission Minutes, September 2, 2015

Tree Commission Minutes of September 14, 2015

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BOROUGH MANAGER

Borough Manager advised the final paving for 2015 Road Project on Cochran Street and Centennial Avenue would be applied at the end of September till the first week of November. The Contractor will continue to work on the backfilling of the spaces between the curb and sidewalk. The Borough will be replacing all the street signs the week of October 19.

Council reviewed the August 2015 Borough of Sewickley Earned Income Tax Collection Update and the ANTCC Earned Income Tax Report.

Council reviewed fuel prices for the month of August 2015

On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Mr. Rice, Council voted, 8-0, to approve the 2015 Minimum Municipal Pension Obligation (MMO) for the Borough of Sewickley Pensions, as prepared by Hallett Associates, in the amount of \$206,061 for the Police Pension Plan and \$290,026 for the Non-Uniform Pension Plan.

Borough Manager advised that the 2016 Capital Budget and Department Head Meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 5, 2015, beginning at 6:30 p.m.; and the Meeting for the 2016 Budget Review of Expenditures and Revenues for General Fund, Sewer Fund and Capital Reserves is on Saturday, October 17, 2015, beginning at 7:00 am. He also indicated that if Council is in agreement, a motion to adopt the 2016 Budget will be placed on the November 16th Council Meeting Agenda.

On motion of Mr. Renner, seconded by Mr. Cornman, Council voted, 8-0, to accept the Continental Construction and Demolition, LLC bid in the amount of \$14,000 for CD 40-3.11.4 Demolition of 923 Dickson Road and 326 Spratt Way for the Quaker Valley Council of Governments Grant to Borough. (Award letter to Quaker Valley Council of Governments to stipulate allowing two weeks for Mr. and Mrs. Hogan to remove items in house.)

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mr. Driscoll, Council voted, 8-0, to accept and order, received and filed the Auditor General Liquid Fuels Tax Fund Report, January 2, 2013 to December 31, 2014.

The Borough Manager's Report was received and filed.

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SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Tucker reviewed real estate tax assessment appeals.

Council reviewed Parking Authority Ordinance and advertisement scheduled for adoption on Tuesday, October 13, 2015. The Parking Authority is to be established to administer the on street and off street public parking which could include a parking garage. The revenues for the Parking Authority will be generated by the users. No Borough real estate tax dollars will be used.

On motion of Mr. Driscoll, seconded by Neff, Council voted, 8-0, to have Solicitor Tucker forward a letter to the Cartons declining acceptance of any land to the Borough as Council expressed that there is no value to the Borough.

The Solicitor's Report was received and filed.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

On motion of Mr. DeFazio, seconded by Mrs. Ford, Council voted, 8-0, to accept and order received and filed, the tax collector's report and exonerations for the Month of August 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. DeFazio the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

KEVIN M. FLANNERY
Borough Manager

SUSAN ALESHIRE
President of Council