# GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH MINUTES OF APRIL 19, 2011 COUNCIL MEETING

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in the Osborne Elementary School on Tuesday, April 19, 2011. President Richard Klixbull called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting:

Council: Barbara Carrier, Katharine Harbison, Thomas Huddleston, Richard Klixbull, Louis Naugle, John Orndorff

Officials: Mayor William Boswell, Solicitor Harlan Stone, Secretary Diane Vierling, Treasurer Nancy Ersly

# **APPROVAL OF MARCH 15, 2011 MINUTES**

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. On page 3, the last sentence was corrected to read "Council voted  $\mathbf{5} - \mathbf{1}$  to approve the amended contract." Council voted  $\mathbf{6} - \mathbf{0}$  to approve the amended Minutes.

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Quaker Valley Ambulance Authority and Valley Ambulance Authority have begun utilizing a pilot program called Quick Response Services (QRS) offered by Cochran Hose Company. Members of Cochran's volunteer fire department who have received specialized training and certification are qualified and available to respond immediately to medical emergencies. The goal of the pilot QRS program is to reduce response times for critical patients, provide initial treatment when QVAA ambulances are either "not available" or "out of position," and provide additional medical manpower (attendant and/or driver) during transport of critical patients. There are no direct or in-direct QRS costs to the patients or municipalities.

On March 28, 2011, a written request was received from Robert T. Cherry, Jr., a reporter for the <u>Sewickley Herald</u>. Mr. Cherry requested Glen Osborne Borough's "legal fees dating from August 1, 2010, to the present."

The Quaker Valley Council of Governments (QVCOG) and its member municipalities will be sponsoring a Recycling Day on Saturday, May 7, 2011, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event will be held behind the Sewickley Borough Municipal Building on Washington Street.

Weather permitting, within the next month work is scheduled to repair the traffic signals located at Ohio River Boulevard, Beaver Road, and Red Gate Road.

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# **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Boswell reported that the family of Dean Williams and Sewickley Council truly appreciated the letter of condolences prepared by Mayor Boswell on behalf of Glen Osborne's Council.

With respect to the Sewer Project, Mayor Boswell reported that Sewickley did not go to bid yet. It is unknown if this delay will impact the desire and ability to repave Beaver Road in 2011. Thus, a timeline is not available at this point in time.

# **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Harlan Stone reported that he spoke with Police Chief Jim Ersher regarding the monthly police reports. The Police Chief does not edit the reports before they are submitted to Mayor Boswell. The Mayor receives the "official blotter entries."

Solicitor Stone reported that he and President Klixbull recently met with John Burger. Mr. Burger is very upset and concerned about the proposed location of the new pump station which was shown to him during a meeting with Sewickley's engineer. According to John Burger, the proposed location of the new pump station would substantially and negatively impact his property that Council had recently approved on a preliminary plan approval. Harlan Stone said it is of paramount importance to resolve this issue promptly.

North Way Christian Community v. Glen Osborne Borough Zoning Hearing Board Decision, No. S.A. 11-000347, was appealed by Quaker Valley School District and Northway Christian Community. The appeals were consolidated and the case will appear before Judge James.

Harlan Stone reported that in response to Bobby Cherry's (<u>Sewickley Herald</u> reporter) request on March 28, 2011, for the Borough's "legal fees dating from August 1, 2010 to the present," Mr. Cherry has agreed to accept a summary of the legal fees attributable to the Quaker Valley School Board District Appeal. Solicitor Stone will prepare this summary.

#### PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Barbara Carrier reported that the Public Safety Committee met with Mike Babusci, an engineer with PB Americas, Inc. During their meeting, they discussed the scope of PB Americas' services with regard to the recent proposal submitted by PennDOT for the "Feasibility Study – Relocation of Railroad Crossing, S.R. 65." The Committee plans to hold a meeting with Cheryl Moon-Sirianni, PennDOT's Assistant District Executive for Design, and explore other alternatives to the Feasibility Study proposal.

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Barbara Carrier also reported that the Committee discussed the importance of the police being visible – especially when students are arriving and when they are leaving Osborne Elementary School.

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

John Orndorff reported that Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P. has completed their inspection of the sewers. However, during the process, they ran into a very large root block along Davis Lane. On April 7, 2011, the Borough received numerous calls from residents on Davis Lane regarding water flowing along the road. On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Thomas Huddleston, council voted 4-0 with 2 abstentions, to authorize an expenditure of up to \$5,000 for Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P. to insert a manhole, clean out the sewer, and determine the cause of the water leak along Davis Lane.

# FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

On motion of Louis Naugle, seconded by Barbara Carrier, Council was polled and voted 6-0 to approve Ordinance No. 394 which sets a schedule of attorneys fees for the collection of delinquent real estate taxes. These fees are passed on to the delinquent tax payer(s), which results in the Borough receiving 100% of the delinquent monies. On motion of Lou Naugle, seconded by John Orndorff, Council voted 6-0 to approve Resolution No. 2011-01 authorizing Jordan Tax Services, Inc. to utilize its in-house legal department to collect delinquent real estate taxes for the Borough.

Louis Naugle reported that the Finance Committee is continuing to work on the Cable Agreement with Comcast.

Mr. Naugle reviewed the Borough's finances in relation to the estimated cost for repaving Beaver Road. The availability of a low cost, low interest municipal loan of less than \$125,000 and for less than 5 years, is an option worth considering. It would not require DCED approval or an Ordinance.

#### PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Katharine Harbison reported that the Committee is working on the website. The Committee welcomes any requests or suggestions from Council members for the new website. The Committee is continuing to collect emergency cards from the residents.

#### **BILLS**

A Check Detail was included in the packet sent to Council, Mayor, and the Solicitor. John Orndorff motioned the invoices listed be paid, with a second by Thomas Huddleston. Council was polled, and all voted yes.

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<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>
Thomas Huddleston inquired about the status of the new road signs. Barbara Carrier said Jeff Lang should have the signs completed and posted by Memorial Day.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on motion of Thomas Huddleston, seconded by Barbara Carrier, Council voted 6 – 0 to adjourn at 8:50 p.m.

Diane E. Vierling, Borough Secretary