GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH MINUTES OF MAY 17, 2011 COUNCIL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in the Osborne Elementary School on Tuesday, May 17, 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, William Hittinger, Thomas Huddleston, Richard Klixbull, Louis Naugle, John Orndorff

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

VISITORS

Michael Babusci, Linda Owens

APPROVAL OF APRIL 19, 2011 MINUTES

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Barbara Carrier, Council voted 7 - 0 to approve the minutes.

VISITORS

Michael Babusci, P.E. with PB Americas, Inc. reviewed the history of various studies and alternatives since 2001 for the relocation of the railroad crossing at River Road and S.R. 65. For the latest feasibility study, PennDOT awarded a contract to PB America's Inc. Mr. Babusci reported he is working on modifying the scope of this study to reduce the level of detail and incorporate the ideas expressed during a recent meeting with Barbara Carrier, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, and Cheryl Moon-Sirianni, PennDOT's Assistant District Executive of Design. Michael Babusci said he plans to update the study within the next few weeks.

Linda Owens, a resident of Glen Osborne, thanked Council for their dedication and hard work.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Due to inclement weather, repairs to the traffic signals located at Ohio River Boulevard, Beaver Road, and Red Gate Road were delayed. Bruce and Merilees Electric Company (signal maintenance contractor) plan to perform the repairs this week.

"Recycling Day" and the "Mayors and Presidents Breakfast" were held on Saturday, May 7, 2011. "Recycling Day" was a huge success. Over 200 residents dropped off items. Electronics and tires topped the list among items collected.

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The Borough's fax machine is wearing out and needs to be replaced. It was agreed that the Borough Secretary should purchase a high performance, commercial quality, laser jet scanner/fax machine for under \$500.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Boswell reported that Sewickley Council accepted the base bid from Shields Asphalt Paving, Inc. of Valencia, PA, in the amount of \$483,000 for Sewickley's 2011 Road Project for side streets. (There will be a separate bid for the paving of Beaver Road.) Shields will be repaving a number of Sewickley's side streets, beginning in June. Mayor Boswell reported that Sewickley has agreed to extend the contract to Glen Osborne and the residents of Glen Osborne living along private streets. If the private street's residents choose to participate, the cost will be the responsibility of the residents of the private street, not the Borough. Mayor Boswell will be meeting with a representative from Shields Asphalt Paving, Inc.

Mayor Boswell reported he has received negative feedback from residents regarding the QVSD appeal.

Mayor Boswell stated that Sewickley's Engineer, John Mowry, is reviewing relocation of the new pump station to accommodate John Burger's plans for Osborne Self Storage.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Regarding the appeal of the North Way Christian Community v. Glen Osborne Borough Zoning Hearing Board Decision, No. S.A. 11-000347, Harlan Stone reported that Judge James has been on vacation, thus there has been a delay. A status conference on the QVSD Zoning Appeal should be scheduled relatively soon.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Barbara Carrier reported that Jeff Lang is completing the Glen Osborne signs. When he is finished, he and John Wick will work together on installing the signs.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

John Orndorff reported that Insight Pipe Contracting, L.P. will begin working on the manhole project on Davis Lane this week.

On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Barbara Carrier, Council voted 7-0 to authorize an expenditure of \$21,500 for NIRA Consulting Engineers, Inc. to prepare specifications for paving Beaver Road.

On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Barbara Carrier, Council voted 7 - 0 to authorize advertising the Amendment to the Road Opening Ordinance #387.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Agreements were signed for Jordan Tax Service, Inc. to utilize its in-house legal department to collect delinquent real estate taxes for the Borough.

The Borough received a renewal notice for public official liability insurance from Higbee Insurance, Inc. On motion of Louis Naugle, seconded by Thomas Huddleston, Council voted 7 - 0 to approve the Finance Chair to either accept Higbee Insurance's quote, or to look for another quote for similar coverage and accept that, if it is less than Higbee's quote.

Louis Naugle expressed a concern about the excessive amount of overtime incurred by the Secretary. The Secretary explained the position is far more than a 20 hour a week job, and all timesheets are submitted to and approved by Sewickley Borough Manager, Kevin Flannery. It was agreed that Mayor Boswell and President Klixbull will meet with the Secretary to review the duties of the job and develop a system for overseeing and authorizing overtime.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Katharine Harbison reported that the Committee is working on the website. An example of the design for the home page was included in the packet. The Committee welcomes any requests or suggestions from Council members for the new website. William Hittinger plans to contact realty companies in Sewickley to see if they will pay to put their advertising for Glen Osborne houses on our website.

BILLS

A Check Detail was included in the packet sent to Council, the Mayor, and the Solicitor. Louis Naugle requested that John Wick review the invoice for "Road Salt for Winter 2010 – 2011" before Council pays the bill. John Orndorff motioned payment of the bills, with conditional approval of the invoice for "Road Salt for Winter 2010 - 2011." Katharine Harbison seconded the motion. Council was polled, and all voted yes.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Thomas Huddleston, seconded by Barbara Carrier, Council voted 7 - 0 to adjourn at 9:05 p.m.

Diane E. Vierling, Borough Secretary