

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 17, 2015
COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in Osborne Elementary School on Tuesday, November 17, 2015. President Thomas Huddleston called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting:

Council: James Cohen, Thomas Huddleston, Holly Merriman, Mary Scalercio, William Monski, John Orndorff

Officials: Mayor Barbara Carrier, Solicitor Harlan Stone, Treasurer Nancy Ersly, Secretary Diane Vierling

VISITORS

Mr. & Mrs. Brian Greene, 1207 Colonial Place
Mr. Corbin P. Miller, 1204 Colonial Place
Ms. Jacqueline (Pat) Cavalier, 1411 Osborne Lane

Residents from Colonial Place voiced their concerns about issues with the Verland Foundation's residence at 1206 Colonial Place. Council President Tom Huddleston emphasized the importance of the residents contacting the police whenever safety issues occur, such as parking on the sidewalks and curbs. President Huddleston plans to contact the Chief Operating Officer of the Verland Foundation Bill Harriger.

Pat Cavalier, a resident of Osborne Lane, requested that the Borough perform leaf pickup for all of the residents. Council will take this into consideration next year during 2017 budget preparations.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 20, 2015 MINUTES

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. After Ms. Strong's first name was corrected to "Ann," Holly Merriman moved the Minutes be approved, with a second by Jim Cohen. Council voted 6 – 0, to approve the motion.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The PA Department of Environmental Protection notified the Borough and the Borough's engineer at NIRA that they had issued an incorrect permit number (021502) for the permit for the Hare Lane Sewage Pump Station and Force Main. They sent corrected forms with a new permit number (0215414).

Columbia Gas Company will be enlarging the gas line along Beaver Road from Sycamore Road to Ohio River Boulevard. This project will take approximately two weeks and will begin in early December. Code Enforcement Officer Nancy Watts will not issue a street opening permit until the Borough receives a \$15,000 cashier's check from Columbia Gas. Columbia Gas has been instructed to repave the section of Beaver Road from curb to curb after this project is completed.

Council members viewed the framed certificate honoring Louis Naugle's service as a Glen Osborne Council member. The Sewickley Frame Shop will mail it to Mr. Naugle.

Bill Monski will attend a meeting scheduled on November 19th regarding the PA DEP Evans Well Project along Glen Mitchell Road. Gannett Fleming Engineers will prepare a Geotechnical Report with recommendations to support the existing hillside such that the well can be safely accessed and plugged. In order to collect data, Gannett Fleming will perform a detailed field reconnaissance followed by a subsurface exploration program consisting of drilled test borings and geophysical investigative methods. The plan will be submitted to PADEP for review and approval prior to execution.

Light Up Night in Sewickley is Friday, December 4th. The following day, December 5th, Cochran Hose Company will assist with decorating Glen Osborne's Holiday Tree outside of Osborne Elementary School.

The Borough's Christmas Party will be held at the Edgeworth Club on Monday, December 21st.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Barbara Carrier reported that there were several incidents during the past

month involving deer. The police received a complaint about a suspicious person driving around the Borough. Mayor Carrier will talk with Chief Ersher to see if there has been any additional suspicious activity.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Stone stated that at last month's meeting Council approved the Police Services contract with Sewickley for 2016 – 2020, and authorized the Borough Secretary to advertise the ordinance adopting the police services agreement under the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act. On motion of Mary Scalercio, seconded by Bill Monski, Council voted 6 – 0, to approve Borough of Sewickley Ordinance No. 1341, making the police contract that was already approved affective.

In preparation for the Hare Lane Pump Station project, Council directed Solicitor Stone to pursue discussions with Borough Engineer Ray Antonelli, Jr., and prepare a letter to the residents of Hare Lane.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council commended Jim Cohen for the excellent letter he wrote to Mrs. Vescio, 1001 Beaver Road, regarding visibility in the area around her driveway, advising that her hedges be trimmed back along the sidewalk and both sides of her driveway.

Jim Cohen presented traffic data obtained from one of the solar speed signs. A locksmith needs to be hired to open the locked box for the other solar speed sign. 40% of drivers travel at 31 to 40 miles per hour along Beaver Road coming up the hill from Ohio River Boulevard heading towards Sewickley. Mayor Carrier will contact Chief Ersher and request that the police patrol the school zone more frequently, especially during the afternoon.

Council discussed the complaints about the Verland Foundation staff and stressed the need for the residents to contact the police when incidents occur. Since our last Council meeting the police have not received any calls from the residents. President Huddleston will contact the Chief Operating Officer of the Verland Foundation and express our desire to be good neighbors.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

John Orndorff contacted Ray Antonelli, Jr. regarding Boundary Street. According to Mr. Antonelli's research, Sewickley is responsible for Boundary Street from Beaver Road to Ohio River Boulevard. Therefore, Sewickley will be responsible for repaving that section of Boundary Street after construction is completed for the Elmhurst project.

Home owner Ann Strong is still getting bids for the removal of the tree and repairing the sidewalk at 409 Orchard Street. Mr. Orndorff will contact her and report to Council at the December meeting what the time line is for removing the tree and its roots that are creating the dangerous sidewalk in front of her house.

Council will take into consideration curb side leaf collection for all of the residents in the Borough next year when preparing the 2017 budget.

On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Jim Cohen, Council voted 6 – 0, to approve the Road Salt Services Agreement for 2015/2016 for 137 tons.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thomas Huddleston thanked Holly Merriman for the fine job she did preparing the 2016 Budget.

On motion of Holly Merriman, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 6 – 0, to grant preliminary approval of the tentative 2016 Budget as presented, and authorize the Secretary to advertise it for adoption at the December Council Meeting.

On motion of Holly Merriman, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 6 – 0, to approve the millage rate of 4.6 for 2016 (which represents no increase), and authorize the Secretary to advertise it for adoption at the December Council Meeting.

PUBLIC SERVICES

Mary Scalercio reported that Cochran Hose will assist with decorating the tree at

Osborne Elementary School on December 5th. Cookies and hot chocolate will be served. Signs have been made and are displayed along Beaver Road. Flyers will be made and distributed.

Mary Scalercio will talk with Sam Capezzuto, Director of Fern Hollow Nature Center, to explore different projects and options of service they can provide.

QVCOG REPORT

Bill Monski reported that most of the recent QVCOG meeting was held in Executive Session discussing personnel issues.

BILLS

A Check Detail was included in the packet sent to Council, Mayor, and the Solicitor. Jim Cohen motioned payment of the bills. Mary Scalercio seconded the motion. Council was polled, and all voted yes to approve the motion.

OLD BUSINESS

Mary Scalercio requested an update on allowing chickens in Glen Osborne Borough. Harlan Stone has not prepared a draft of a new ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Holly Merriman, seconded by Jim Cohen. Council voted 6 – 0, to adjourn at 9:56 p.m.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary