

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 18, 2014
COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in Osborne Elementary School on Tuesday, November 18, 2014. President Thomas Huddleston called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting:

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

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

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 23, 2014

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. There being no changes, John Orndorff moved the Minutes be approved, with a second by Holly Merriman. Council voted 5 – 0, to approve the motion.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Jessie Washington, resident of 509 Glen Mitchell Road, sent a card, thanking the Borough for replacing the curbs along Glen Mitchell Road.

At last month's Council meeting, Jack McLellan, resident of 517 Glen Mitchell Road, asked when residents became responsible for maintaining their sidewalks. Ordinance 302 was enacted into law February 17, 1987.

A dangerous tree situation was called to our attention by a member of Cochran Hose Company. Douglas Resler, resident of 1300 Beaver Road, has agreed to have two large, dead trees removed from his front yard before December 22, 2014.

After reviewing Mary Roberts Rinehart Nature Park's website it was reported that Diane Vierling is listed as their contact person. It was agreed by Council that she should remain their contact since MRRNP is very important to the community of Glen Osborne Borough.

Glen Osborne's annual Christmas party will be held on Wednesday, December 17, 2014, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Edgeworth Club.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Carrier reported that six speeding tickets were issued in Glen Osborne during October.

Police Chief Jim Ersher will attend our January Council Meeting.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Stone reported that the Borough received payment of \$5,550 from Dr. James Ferris, and his attorney's account, for the engineering and legal fees for the consulting work involved with the Ferris Plan of Lots.

Solicitor Stone suggested that in the future Council consider designing an ordinance that would require a developer to put money up front into an escrow deposit.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 5 – 0, to approve the final payment of \$14,038.75 to Pittsburgh Drain Services, Inc. for work completed on Sycamore Road. December's check register will reflect this payment. In November a partial payment of \$5,000 was made. The total invoice was \$19,038.75.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Mary Scalercio showed Council a copy of the sign that was designed to advertise our Holiday Tree Decorating event that will be held on Saturday, December 6, 2014. This event has been coordinated with Fire Chief Jeff Neff. Cochran Hose Company will assist with decorating. Osborne Elementary School will include this event in a weekly memo sent to the parents. Bobby Cherry will mention this in the Sewickley Herald. Email blasts will be sent by our Borough Secretary, and this event will be posted on our website.

Bill Scalercio, a volunteer fireman, offered to be Santa. On motion of Mary Scalercio, seconded by Holly Merriman, Council voted 5 – 0, to purchase a \$50 gift card for Bill Scalercio. Mary Scalercio reported that the signs cost \$67, hot chocolate \$48, bows and garland from Robinson's will cost \$250, and cookies \$30. Katharine Harbison purchased Christmas lights for our tree and will be submitting a bill of \$320.58. The cost of the Holiday Tree Decorating event will be approximately \$735. On motion of Mary Scalercio seconded by Holly Merriman, Council voted 5 – 0, to approve \$750 to cover the expenses for the Holiday Tree Decorating event.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

On motion of Jim Cohen, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 4 – 1, to purchase and install “No Parking” signs for Glen Mitchell Road. President Huddleston voted no.

BILLS

A Check Detail was included in the packet sent to Council, Mayor, and the Solicitor. John Orndorff questioned the CWM bill. Holly Merriman motioned payment of the bills with the exception of check #3611 for CWM. Mary Scalercio seconded the motion. Council was polled, and all voted yes to approve the motion. John Orndorff will contact CWM for an explanation of their bill.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Council reviewed and approved changes to line items on the draft of the 2015 Budget. On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Holly Merriman, Council voted 5 – 0, to grant preliminary approval of the draft of the 2015 Budget with the changes approved at this meeting, 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 5 – 0, to approve the millage rate of 4.6 for 2015, and authorize the Secretary to advertise it for adoption at the December Council Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

On motion of Mary Scalercio, seconded by Jim Cohen, Council voted 5 – 0 to remove the “No Parking” signs and yellow lines in front of John Payne’s residence on Beaver Road.

NEW BUSINESS

President Huddleston suggested that Solicitor Stone determine what the process would be to explore the possibility of prohibiting through traffic on Sycamore Road by blocking it in the middle. Solicitor Stone agreed to report on this matter at the next Council Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Jim Cohen, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 5 – 0, to adjourn at 9:46 p.m.

