

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 16, 2014
COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in Osborne Elementary School on Tuesday, December 16, 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, Louis Naugle, Mary Scalercio (7:35 p.m.)

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

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 18, 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

Progress has occurred along Beaver Road. The Resler's dead trees at 1300 Beaver Road have been removed. The "No Parking" signs in front of Dr. Payne's property along 1302 Beaver Road have also been removed. Council agreed to allow the yellow lines to be removed along Beaver Road in front of Dr. Payne's property.

We received \$1,650 from Mr. & Mrs. John Elliott, for a "Tap-in Fee" on Lot B Grandview Way, parcel 422-P-0, formerly Dr. Ferris' lot.

The Borough's proposed "2015 Budget" and "2015 Tax Rate" were published in the Tribune Review and Sewickley Herald on December 4 and 11, 2014.

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

On a sad note, Jack McLellan of 517 Glen Mitchell Road, who recently attended our October 23, 2014, Council Meeting, passed away November 25, 2014.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Holly Merriman motioned that Council adopt Ordinance 406, establishing the tax rate of 4.6 mills for the fiscal year 2015. Jim Cohen seconded the motion. Council was polled and all voted yes.

Holly Merriman motioned that Council approve the 2015 Budget. Jim Cohen seconded the motion. Council was polled and voted 5 – 1. (Louis Nagle voted no.)

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Carrier thanked Mary Scalercio for her outstanding work with the Holiday Tree Decorating event and for decorating throughout the Borough.

Mayor Carrier reported that Norfolk Southern called upon our police for assistance in removing an unruly passenger from an Amtrak train.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Stone reported that he is investigating options for Sycamore Road. He will present a report to Council next month.

Solicitor Stone reported that we are moving forward with the condemnations. He has settled a few more cases. Four cases remain unresolved. If they are not resolved before January, there will be hearings in February. According to Solicitor Stone, we are within budget on the remaining cases. They should be completed by February 5, 2015.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

John Orndorff reported that there is a tree lifting the sidewalk at 409 Orchard Street (residence of Ann Strong and Becky Senior). This is creating a dangerous situation along the sidewalk. Glen Osborne has an Ordinance that requires property owners to be responsible for the sidewalks along the sides of the streets next to their property. President Huddleston will set up a call with Solicitor Stone and John Orndorff to determine how they will proceed with resolving this situation.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

President Huddleston thanked Mary Scalercio and Cochran Hose Company for their work with the Holiday Tree Decorating event. Unfortunately the weather was awful, but the families who participated had a wonderful time.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Jim Cohen reported that the “No Parking” signs were installed along Glen Mitchell Road, and the curbs were painted yellow.

Mary Scalercio expressed a concern about parking along Boundary Street when construction of the Elmhurst Development begins. The Public Safety Committee will work on a proposal dealing with parking on the Glen Osborne side of Boundary Street in anticipation of the Elmhurst Development construction.

BILLS

A Check Detail was included in the packet sent to Council, Mayor, and the Solicitor. Holly Merriman motioned payment of the bills. Louis Nagle seconded the motion. Council was polled, and all voted yes to approve the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Holly Merriman, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 6 – 0, to adjourn at 8:12 p.m.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary