

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2014
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Planning Commission was held in the Osborne Elementary School on Wednesday, January 8, 2014. Dominic Munizza, Chairman of the Planning Commission, called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting:
Planning Commission: Richard Carrier, Greg Curran, Dominic Munizza,

Officials: Secretary Diane Vierling, Mayor Barbara Carrier

Visitors: David Scalzi 1468 Beaver Road
Susan Murray-Durbin 1432 Beaver Road

ROUTE 65/OHIO RIVER BOULEVARD CORRIDOR ENHANCEMENT STUDY

Dominic Munizza stated this was the third meeting regarding the Route 65/Ohio River Boulevard Corridor Enhancement Study for Glen Osborne. Mr. Munizza stated that the purpose of this meeting is for the Planning Commission to make recommendations to Council regarding this study.

In review, Dominic Munizza stated this project is fashioned after a similar Enhancement Study that was completed by Sewickley and Edgeworth Boroughs. The scope of the Route 65/Ohio River Boulevard Corridor Enhancement Study for Glen Osborne covers Route 65 from River Road to Boundary Street. The purpose of this project is to identify the best and most practical opportunities for enhancing the overall character and travel experience along the corridor while keeping in line with Sewickley's and Edgeworth's overall goal for the Corridor Enhancement Study that Environmental Planning & Design (EPD) prepared for them. The ultimate goal is to jointly implement a plan in the spring with Sewickley and Edgeworth, and obtain funding (a grant) to proceed with the Route 65/Ohio River Boulevard Corridor Enhancement Study.

David Scalzi, resident of 1468 Beaver Road, was impressed with EPD's landscape options for improving the rip rap area along the sewer-interconnect area. He favored "Option #1" which included trumpet honeysuckle, white spruce and chewings fescue. Mr. Scalzi would like to see an abundance of white spruce planted on his property to help block the view of Ohio River Boulevard, the railroad tracks and the storage units.

Dominic Munizza reviewed suggested improvements of the dangerous pedestrian crossings at Route 65/Beaver/River Roads. School busses cannot cross the railroad tracks. Thus, children must walk across Route 65, Beaver and River Roads to reach the bus stop. Over the years Barbara Carrier has met with PennDOT and legislators trying to develop options for improving this dangerous intersection. It is a very costly and difficult situation, and an ongoing project.

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On motion of Dominic Munizza, seconded by Richard Carrier, the Planning Commission voted 3 – 0 to allow Environmental Planning & Design (EPD) to develop the resolutions for Improvement Project #1 to delineate Ohio River Boulevard Corridor Improvement Area.

On motion of Dominic Munizza, seconded by Greg Curran, the Planning Commission voted 3 – 0 to allow Environmental Planning & Design (EPD) to develop the resolutions for Improvement Project #2 to develop recommended landscape treatment standards for the improvement area.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Richard Carrier, seconded by Greg Curran, the Commission voted 3 – 0 to adjourn at 7:10 p.m.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary