

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES
MARCH 16, 2021
COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The Glen Osborne Borough Council Meeting was held through electronic means, on Tuesday, March 16, 2021. President Thomas Huddleston called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance remotely through electronic means:

Council: Jim Cohen, Thomas Huddleston, Holly Merriman, William Monski, John Orndorff, Robert Ryan, Mary Scalercio

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

VISITORS

Police Chief Rich Manko, Sewickley Borough, 601 Thorn St., Sewickley, PA 15143
Asst. Police Chief Dave Mazza, Sewickley Borough, 601 Thorn St., Sewickley, PA
Clint Reilly, NIRA Consulting Engineers, 950 5th Ave., Coraopolis, PA 15108

Chief Manko and Assistant Police Chief Mazza provided an overview of recent activity in the Borough and throughout the pandemic. Police presence in the school zone and speed enforcement are of paramount importance. Chief Manko reviewed the fee structure of traffic citations and explained why municipalities only receive a very small percentage of a fine. Mayor Carrier commended the police for professionally handling emergency calls, especially those involving mental health issues.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 16, 2021 COUNCIL MINUTES

A motion was made by Mary Scalercio, seconded by John Orndorff to approve the Council Minutes. Council voted 7 – 0 to approve the Minutes.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Carrier reviewed February's police report which included a daily presence in the school zone and responding to calls from residents with medical emergencies.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and PA emergency management restrictions, the regularly scheduled and advertised public meetings of Glen Osborne Borough continue to be modified in accordance with Act 15 and take place by use of an authorized method of electronic communication. No comments from the public have been received prior to this meeting.

A payment of \$137 was received from Magistrate Ford's District Court.

The Borough received \$5,690 Real Estate Transfer Tax from Allegheny County for the month of February from the sale of 408 McKown Lane, 1519 Beaver Road, and Quit Claim: Robert D. Fusco and William P. Boswell for a portion of Lot Number 5/ Block 421, Lot 100.

A Liquid Fuels Allocation payment of \$19,749 was received from the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund.

Code violation letters and citations were issued to several residents for code and ordinance violations including abandoned, junk vehicles and failure to maintain sidewalks free of snow and ice.

May 6, 2021 is the closing date scheduled for the PENNVEST loan. President Huddleston thanked Diane Vierling for her extensive work throughout the detailed loan application process.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Stone reviewed the Local Unit Government Debt Act (LGUDA) and the procedures required by law for any municipal loan.

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On May 4, 2021, a notice was published in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette advertising the Borough's intent to enact a debt obligation ordinance.

A motion was made by John Orndorff, seconded by Holly Merriman, to adopt Ordinance No. 421, authorizing obtaining a \$500,000 PENNVEST loan for the Sycamore Road Storm Water Project. A roll call vote was taken, and all voted yes.

On May 18, 2021, a notice will be published in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette advertising Council's adoption of Ordinance No. 421.

A motion was made by John Orndorff, seconded by Jim Cohen, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-02, authorizing the intent to reimburse general funds used to construct improvements to the Sycamore Road Storm Water System with funds received from the PENNVEST loan. A roll call vote was taken, and all voted yes.

Borough Engineer Clint Reilly reviewed the bids received for the **2021 Sanitary Sewer Lining Contract**. A bid of \$21,734 was received from the lowest responsible bidder, Jet Jack, Inc. NIRA Consulting Engineers recommended awarding the contract to Jet Jack, Inc. On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Bill Monski, a roll call vote was taken, and all voted yes to award the contract for the Beaver Road/Center Street 2021 Sewer Lining to Jet Jack, Inc.

Clint Reilly reviewed the bids received for the **Sycamore Road Storm Sewer Installations Contract**. The lowest responsible bid received for the base bid (storm sewer installation) was received from Jet Jack, Inc. in the amount of \$344,395. NIRA Consulting Engineers recommended awarding the contract to Jet Jack, Inc. On motion of Mary Scalercio, seconded by Bill Monski, a roll call vote was taken, and all voted yes to award the contract for the Sycamore Road Storm Sewer Installations to Jet Jack, Inc. The PENNVEST loan will be used exclusively for the Sycamore Road Storm Water Project.

Clint Reilly reviewed the bids received for the alternate bid for the **Milling and Paving of Sycamore Road Contract**. The lowest responsible bid received for the alternate bid (milling and paving of Sycamore Road) was received from Jet Jack, Inc. in the amount of \$187,550. NIRA Consulting Engineers recommended awarding the

contract to Jet Jack, Inc. On motion of Mary Scalercio, seconded by Bill Monski, a roll call vote was taken, and all voted yes to award the contract for the Milling and Paving of Sycamore Road to Jet Jack, Inc.

A motion was made by Tom Huddleston, seconded by John Orndorff, to authorize Solicitor Stone to prepare all necessary documents and take all necessary steps to submit and finalize the Local Unit Government Debt Act (LGUDA) proceedings and to submit them to the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED). A roll call vote was taken, and all voted yes.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Jim Cohen suggested that in the future, consideration should be given to deer management.

BILLS

A check detail was included in the packet sent to Council, Mayor, and the Solicitor. Mary Scalercio motioned payment of the bills. John Orndorff seconded the motion. Council was polled, and all voted yes to approve the motion.

OLD BUSINESS

On motion of Bob Ryan, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 7 – 0, to approve the Comcast cable franchise agreement.

NEW BUSINESS

On motion of Tom Huddleston, seconded by John Orndorff, Council voted 7 – 0, to appoint Tom Hay as a member of the Zoning Hearing Board, replacing Leigh Poulton who resigned because she moved out of Glen Osborne.

President Huddleston reported that several residents received letters from the Borough reminding them of their responsibility to keep their sidewalks clean and free of snow and ice, as stated in Ordinance 302. On numerous occasions, calls were received from

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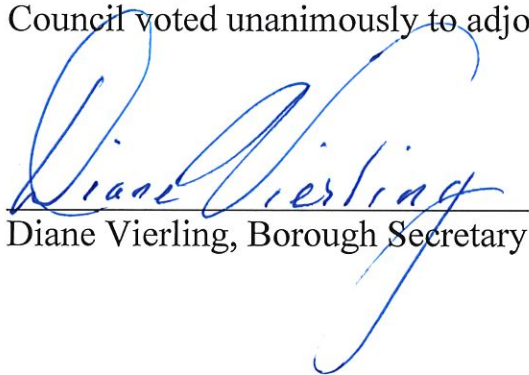
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residents and the school concerning exceptionally dangerous icy and snow-covered sidewalks at 1300 Beaver Road. The property owner was cited. Solicitor Stone reiterated, "It is of paramount importance, for the safety of pedestrians, that sidewalks be maintained in a safe and usable condition, and kept clean and free of snow and ice, by the property owner."

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Mary Scalercio, seconded by Jim Cohen, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:12 p.m.



Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary

