

GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES
March 7, 2023
COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

CALL TO ORDER

The regular committee meeting of Glen Osborne Borough was held in Osborne Elementary Scholl, on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

The following council members and official were in attendance at the meeting:

Bill Monski, John Orndorff, Jim Cohen, Holly Merriman, Anne Fruehauf, Mayor Carrier and Tom Huddleston

VISTIORS

John Wick

Jeremy McCoy

PRESENTATIONS

The meeting started with John Wick Introducing Jeremy McCoy who is finalizing the purchase of Wick Landscaping. It was indicated the sale is scheduled to occur at the end of March. John will be retained for one year after the sale with his primary duties to support the needs of the Borough. Jeremy indicated there will not be a rate increase to the Borough after the sale. Huddleston indicated during the budgeting process a formal agreement would more than likely be required. Jeremy was requested to coordinate getting his company registered with eh Borough, such as providing a W-9.

PUBLIC WORKS

John Orndorff is working with NIRA on our GIS account, the next step is to get viewer licenses for council members. It is expected we will receive these by the end of month. John is shooting for the end of the month for this to be running for each council member. The license will \$100 per year and will be a viewer license.

John, Tom, Clint and Harlan represented the Borough in regards to a meeting with Sewickley, Hayesville, Aleppo and Sewickley, regarding the 537 plan. Cynthia Mullins President of Sewickley Borough Council ran the meeting and committed to open communications including quarterly reports in regards to the management of the Sewickley sewer system. Their goal is to keep rates low but upgrade the capabilities of the plant while maintaining control of the plant. Rates to the Borough residents will go up approximately 2.3% to achieve this upgrade. In addition, the Sewickley engineers are in the process of working with DEP to re-rate the plant to expand the capacity of the plant. This is an ongoing process. Sewickley is aggressively applying for grants from both Federal and State channels. Huddleston indicated his thoughts about the sincerity of Sewickley and was positive to the meeting in general. The

idea of forming an Authority for representation by Glen Osborne. However, during the meeting Sewickley indicated they pay for all administration costs, which would go away with an authority. The rate increase to all municipalities varied. Council indicated concerns over future rate hikes, and finding ways to ensure this does not happen. It appears the Borough will have to make a decision within the next 60 days regarding our participation in the ACT 537. Prior to signing it was suggested by Merriman that we have a rate cap, assumption of the remaining system which Glen Osborne manages, and clarification on the balance of our debt. Orndorff took exception of giving up our infrastructure. This item will be discussed further prior to signing any agreements. It was suggested we have our next council meeting with Sewickley Borough Manager attend.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Jim Cohen informed us the adding of a stop sign at Boundary is being debated by Sewickley Borough Council. We tabled our advertising of this new sign until we hear that Sewickley is also in agreement.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Bill reported the first meeting with Hayesville and Glenfield and Sewickley along with Valerie Gaydos to get the attention of Norfolk Southern Thursday 16th. Bill is concerned about evacuation for the residents across the tracks. It appears a river rescue plan needs to be generated.

ZONING UPDATE MEETING

Anne reported a meeting on March 9th is schedule to focus on final language for steep slopes ordinance revisions. The we will focus on lot size and setbacks.

FINANCE

Diane is going to set up Auto Pay for our bills. This will allow the elimination of lots of checks. It was agreed the Borough Sect. with approval of the Head of the Finance Committee can set up auto payment.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM

Tom Huddleston