

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH  
MINUTES OF APRIL 17, 2018  
COUNCIL MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in Osborne Elementary School, on Tuesday, April 17, 2018. President Thomas Huddleston called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting:

Council: Thomas Huddleston, Holly Merriman, William Monski, John Orndorff

Officials: Solicitor Harlan Stone, Secretary-Treasurer Diane Vierling

**APPROVAL OF MARCH 20, 2018 MINUTES**

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. Bill Monski moved the Minutes be approved, with a second by Holly Merriman. Council voted 4 – 0, to approve the motion.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

On April 4, 2018, the Borough received a \$288,000 performance surety bond as 90% of the deposit for Columbia Gas's upcoming Glen Mitchell Road Pipeline Project. Borough Engineer Ray Antonelli will not issue a street opening permit for the project until the Borough receives a \$32,000 check from Columbia Gas, for the 10% balance of the total \$320,000.

The Borough Secretary received approval from the state program coordinator of the "Dirt, Gravel, and Low Volume Roads Program, Roy Richardson, for Bill Monski to attend the ESM training and act as Glen Osborne Borough's signatory for the grant application.

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According to Jordan Tax Service's most recent report, a total of \$8,552 unpaid real estate tax from 2017 will be turned over for collections. The Borough Secretary provided Jordan Tax Services with updated addresses for three of the delinquent property owners.

With the Borough Secretary's assistance, Interim Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Graff's property violation notices were received by the owners of 517 Glen Mitchell Road, and 531 Sycamore Road. Also, progress has been made responding to the property maintenance violation notice issued at 1426 Beaver Road. Columbia Gas has a right-of-way agreement with the owner for installation of a new gas transmission line on that property. The agreement includes clearing trees and demolishing the detached garage at 1426 Beaver Road. The agreement is to include reclamation of some additional lands adjoining the right of way. Bruce Graff will continue monitoring these properties. If necessary, citations will be issued with Magistrate Ford.

The Borough received \$2,758 Real Estate Transfer Tax from Allegheny County for the month of March from the sale of 1306 Beaver Road.

On March 30, 2018, Traffic Systems and Services performed the annual inspection of the Signal Crossing System.

The annual renewal of the Borough's property and liability insurance is included among the bills to be paid tonight. Also included is an installment payment to the Cohen Law Group for their cable franchise audit services.

The Borough of Sewickley's Memorial Day Parade will be held on May 28, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. If Mary Scalercio's convertible is available, Mayor Carrier will participate in the parade.

The Borough has received numerous calls and complaints regarding potholes along Route 65. Many of the complaints also regard sunken catch basins.

When the Borough Secretary contacted Dan Woodall at Penn DOT, she was advised that municipalities are now responsible for repairing catch basins and inlets, including those along Route 65.

For further verification and assistance, the Borough Secretary plans to contact Penn DOT Road Maintenance Supervisor Mike Zimmerman. Mr. Zimmerman is responsible for the section of Route 65 in Glen Osborne.

The Borough Secretary has not received a response from Mary Beth Conlin, Haysville's Secretary Treasurer, or Haysville Council's President Amy Paff Forero, regarding Glen Osborne's inquiry about Haysville's plans to repair the large sinkhole located on South Avenue in the Borough of Haysville.

President Huddleston and Holly Merriman thanked Diane Vierling for her persistence and extensive services to the Borough.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Bill Monski, Council voted 4 – 0, to accept John Wick's bid of \$2,950, to remove the downed tree, repair the guard rail and concrete abutment at the culvert along Glen Mitchell Road, near the boundary between Glen Osborne and Aleppo, after Columbia Gas completes its project this summer.

John Orndorff reviewed possible options for road salt storage locations. President Huddleston advised that this is of high priority. On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Bill Monski, Council voted 4 – 0, at a cost up to \$2,500, to hire John Wick to perform analysis and present to Council, at the next meeting, at least three usable locations for storage of road salt.

## **FINANCE**

Bruce Graff has done an excellent job as the Borough's Interim Code Enforcement Officer. Council agreed to extend Bruce Graff's services as Code Enforcement Officer after Nancy Watt's returns. Since Mr. Graff is employed by NIRA, John Orndorff will contact Ray Antonelli to discuss Council's decision.

## **BILLS**

A check detail was included in the packet sent to Council, Mayor, and the Solicitor. John Orndorff thanked Diane Vierling for the work she has done carefully detailing all the various charges for engineering, legal, and public works expenses, and escrow payments. Holly Merriman motioned payment of the bills. John Orndorff seconded the motion. Council was polled, and all voted yes to approve the motion.

## **QVCOG**

President Huddleston reported that Susan Hockenberry is assisting in trying to obtain a new salt storage location, and also obtaining help with repairing the large sinkhole in Haysville. Bill Monski stated that the QVCOG will be presenting its bylaws at the meeting tomorrow. Afterwards, municipalities will have 30 days to present, in writing, any objections.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

President Huddleston reported that representatives from Aleppo, Sewickley, and Glen Osborne have met and have begun moving forward with updating the ASO Comprehensive Plan. Another meeting is scheduled on April 25, 2018.

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John Orndorff provided details about bicycle safety classes. Council members were encouraged to attend “The Truth and Techniques of Traffic Cycling” class on May 18, 2018, from 6 to 9 p.m. in Edgeworth Elementary School.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on motion of Holly Merriman, seconded by Bill Monski, Council voted 4 – 0, to adjourn at 9:44 p.m.

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Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary