

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2015
COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in Osborne Elementary School on Tuesday, May 19, 2015. Vice President John Orndorff called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting:

Council: James Cohen, Holly Merriman, Louis Naugle, John Orndorff, Mary Scalercio

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

APPROVAL OF APRIL 21, 2015

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. Holly Merriman moved the Minutes be approved, with a second by James Cohen. Council voted 5 – 0, to approve the motion.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The situation regarding a large dead limb and dead branches on tall trees located along the entrance to Rabbit Hill has been resolved by the residents of Rabbit Hill. The dead limb and dead branches have been removed.

Sewickley's 124th Annual Memorial Day Parade will be held Saturday, May 23, 2015. Representative Mark Mustio will be riding with Mayor Carrier in the parade.

Mayor Carrier will be hosting the "Mayors and Presidents Breakfast" May 30, 2015. Mayors and Presidents from eight surrounding municipalities have been invited.

Osborne Elementary School is not available for meetings during the summer. The "Summer Schedule of Meeting Locations" was included in the packet. Council Meetings will be held in the Sewickley Public Library June 16, July 21, and August 18. Committee Meetings will also be held in the Library July 6, 7, August 3 and 4, 2015. This schedule will be published in the Tribune Review and Sewickley Herald.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Carrier reported that the Borough is donating \$250 to the Sewickley Memorial Day Fund.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Stone reported that Verizon has given 36 months notification for the renewal period of our contract. He advised that immediate attention is not needed. Solicitor Stone recommended that we wait to see what actions the QVCOG will take along with the assistance of Attorney Dan Cohen who specializes in negotiating these franchise contracts.

Solicitor Stone reported that the Pennsylvania State Game Commission regulates all hunting and gun laws throughout the Commonwealth. Therefore, none of Glen Osborne's hunting ordinances are enforceable.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Jim Cohen distributed handouts containing information about the solar powered radar speed signs. His research included contacting Moon Township and Sewickley Heights regarding rolling speed signs. Louis Naugle commended Councilman Cohen on his research. The cost for two solar powered radar speed signs, including solar batteries, would be \$6172.50. The batteries last for two years. John Wick would install the signs. Mr. Cohen stated the total cost for two signs, installed, would be approximately \$8,000. Holly Merriman advised that the purchase of the signs would be posted in the Budget under "Traffic Signals Maintenance & Repair" (01.433.37) and the cost for installation would be under "Public Works Street Signs/Markings Wages" (01.433.10). On motion of Jim Cohen, seconded by Holly Merriman, Council voted 4 – 1 to purchase and install two solar powered radar speed signs. Louis Naugle voted no. The location for these signs will be determined and the home owners who will be affected will be notified.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

John Orndorff reported that Duquesne Light has extended its LED Municipal Cobrahead Street Lighting Conversion Program. There will be a charge of \$109 for the removal of each Sodium Cobrahead street light. On motion of Holly Merriman, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 5 – 0 to approve removal of ten sodium vapor street lights, to be replaced with ten LED street lights along the Route 65 corridor, at a cost of \$1,090. Holly Merriman advised that this cost be posted in the Budget under 01.434.00 "Street Lights – LED Conversion".

A dangerous situation along a sidewalk on Orchard Street has been reported. Code Enforcement Officer Nancy Watts will notify the resident at 409 Orchard Street of the displacement of the concrete sidewalk at that property due to the root growth of a large Silver Maple tree, and advise that it is the home owner's responsibility to remedy the situation.

Councilman Orndorff reported that John Wick needs to order road patching material. There is a \$500 savings if a two year supply is purchased. On motion of Holly Merriman, seconded by Jim Cohen, Council voted 5 – 0, to approve John Wick purchasing up to \$6,000 worth of road patching material for a two year period.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Borough's annual insurance package with Higbee Insurance Agency is due for renewal for June 1, 2015 – June 1, 2016. Holly Merriman will contact Higbee Insurance to review the policy details. On motion of Jim Cohen, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 5 – 0, to authorize Holly Merriman to seek an extension on the commitment for the insurance quote proposal. In the event she is unable to secure an extension, she is authorized to take the necessary steps needed to maintain the existing policy.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Mary Scalercio presented the "Welcome Letter" drafted by her committee and Mayor Carrier. This will be sent to all new residents. Mrs. Scalercio will continue exploring the possibility of having custom made "Glen Osborne" mugs designed and manufactured for the Borough to present to new residents along with packets of "Red Marigold" seeds.

"Relay for Life" flyers were distributed to Council. The event will be held May 30, 2015 at Osborne Elementary School. This information will be posted on the Borough's website. Mary Scalercio motioned donating \$100 to "Relay for Life." Jim Cohen seconded the motion. The motion was defeated 1 – 4. Mary Scalercio voted yes.

On motion of Mary Scalercio, seconded by Holly Merriman, Council voted 5 – 0, to donate \$3,500 to Mary Roberts Rinehart Nature Park.

BILLS

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

NEW BUSINESS

The 2015 Fee Schedule was distributed. Council will discuss updating fees at a future meeting. Solicitor Stone will work on drafting a new ordinance for solicitation.

On motion of Jim Cohen, seconded by Louis Naugle, Council voted 5 – 0, to donate \$1,000 to Sewickley Public Library. A new line item will be added to the budget.

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John Orndorff distributed photos prepared by Makin Engineering Company for the study of the bicycle route along the Beaver Road corridor for proposals for Glen Osborne Borough.

At 9:20 p.m. Council recessed to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing legal matters. Council reconvened at 9:25 p.m. into regular session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Holly Merriman. Council voted 4 – 0, to adjourn at 9:26.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary