# GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH MINUTES JULY 20, 2021 COUNCIL MEETING

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in the Sewickley Public Library, on Tuesday, July 20, 2021. President Thomas Huddleston called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting: Council: Thomas Huddleston, Holly Merriman, William Monski, John Orndorff, Robert Ryan, Mary Scalercio

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

### **VISITOR**

Robert Ferguson, 401 Lantern Lane, Sewickley, PA 15143

President Huddleston opened the meeting by welcoming visitor Robert Ferguson.

Mr. Ferguson described in detail a costly experience that occurred in May when a sewer blockage occurred at 401 Lantern Lane. Since Lantern Lane is a private road, the road and sewers are the responsibility of the Lantern Lane property owners. Mr. Ferguson requested that the Borough of Glen Osborne take over or contribute to the cost of maintaining and repairing Lantern Lane sewers. President Huddleston said Council would seek professional advisement from the Borough's engineer and consider his request.

## **APPROVAL OF JUNE 15, 2021 COUNCIL MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mary Scalercio, seconded by John Orndorff, to approve the Council Minutes. Council voted 6-0 to approve the Minutes.

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### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Carrier reviewed the police report for the month of June. Accidents involving deer continue to occur along Ohio River Boulevard. There were two separate incidents involving vehicles hitting the railroad crossing gate. Mayor Carrier reported that Mary Roberts Rinehart Nature Park was recently vandalized resulting in a tremendous amount of damage to the park.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

On July 7, 2021, the Borough received a payment of \$28,156 from the Department of Economic Development (DCED) which is the first half of the total amount the COVID-19 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) awarded to the Borough.

A payment of \$150 was received from Magistrate Ford's District Court.

Harry Deitzer is doing an outstanding job communicating with the residents of Sycamore Road with updates of temporary road closures while Jet Jack's work continues during the "Sycamore Road Storm Sewer Project."

Another huge tree fell near Sycamore Road and blocked traffic at 1501 Beaver Road. John Wick did an outstanding job assisting the property owners and coordinating the removal of the tree.

Among July's payments is a check for \$3,500 to Osborne Trail & Park Association, Inc. (OTPA). \$7,000 has been allocated in the Borough's 2021 Budget for this association. This is second payment of \$3,500 to OTPA this year. The funds are used for Mary Roberts Rinehart Nature Park.

# SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Stone reported that the hearing for numerous violations at 1528 Railroad Avenue, including their illegally constructed deck, has been rescheduled for August 11, 2021.

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On motion of Thomas Huddleston, seconded by John Orndorff, Resolution No. 2021 - 07, recommending avoidance of the use of coal tar sealants, was approved 5 - 1, with Bill Monski voting no.

#### EMERGENCY MANAGER'S REPORT

On motion of Tom Huddleston, seconded by Bill Monski, Council voted 6 - 0, to adopt Resolution No. 2021 - 08, amending the articles of incorporation of the Quaker Valley Ouaker Ambulance Authority and extending the authority's term of existence fifty years.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

John Orndorff described the requirements for installation of a gas line extension to the Hare Lane pump station to power the back-up generator. At a cost of \$3,377, Columbia Gas will extend the gas line to the end of the cul-de-sac where they will install a meter. Next, a plumber will connect the meter to the pump station generator at an estimated cost of \$5,000. The total cost of this project will be approximately \$9,000.

On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Tom Huddleston, Council voted 6-0, authorizing Tom Huddleston to sign the "Columbia Gas Aid to Construction at the Hare Lane Pump Station Agreement," and authorizing Diane Vierling to prepare a check payable to Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania for \$3,77.17. Borough Engineer Clint Reilly will deliver the signed agreement and check to Columbia Gas. Holly Merriman stated that this expense will be paid with a portion of the funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

John Orndorff and Barbara Carrier reported that the Sycamore Road Storm Sewer Project is progressing extremely well, especially due the assistance of Harry Deitzer.

## **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, all voted yes, to approve the motion, except Holly Merriman abstained because her son is working for Wick Landscape during the summer.

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### **QVCOG**

QVCOG's New Executive Director Patrick Conners coordinated a site visit of the location of the new high school. Mr. Conners is scheduled to attend Glen Osborne's August Council Meeting.

At the request of President Huddleston, at 8:50 p.m. Council recessed into Executive Session to seek legal advice on matters affecting the Borough. Council reconvened at 8:55 p.m.

There being no further business, on motion of Mary Scalercio, seconded by Bill Monski, Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:00 p.m.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary