

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES OF AUGUST 15, 2017
COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in the Sewickley Public Library, on Tuesday, August 15, 2017. President Thomas Huddleston called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting:

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

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

APPROVAL OF JULY 18, 2017 MINUTES

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. John Orndorff moved the Minutes be approved, with a second by Bill Monski. Council voted 5 – 0, to approve the motion.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Carrier reported that a semi-tractor trailer became stuck when attempting to drive down Sycamore Road. The police were called to the scene, and a tow truck was able to remedy the situation. No weight limit restrictions are posted on Sycamore Road, therefore no violations were issued. Holly Merriman offered to inquire about what the Borough would need to do in order to legally post weight restriction signs.

Mayor Carrier reviewed a letter she received from Mr. Sidney Neff, 524 Sycamore Road, requesting Council's assistance to have his neighbors, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Sadd, 1491 Beaver Road, remove their old van, so that it is no longer visible along the road. The police do not have jurisdiction on this matter because the vehicle is located on the owner's property. Borough Secretary-Treasurer Diane Vierling

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reported that Mr. Neff had visited the Borough office, and Code Enforcement Officer Nancy Watts explained to Mr. Neff that Glen Osborne Ordinance No. 344, allows one unregistered or uninspected vehicle to be parked on a resident's premises. Solicitor Stone will review Ordinance No. 344 which adopted the 1996 BOCA (Building Officials & Code Administrators) National Property Maintenance Code.

Council discussed the need for speed control along Route 65. There is a curb cut in the area where the police could position their car. However, weeds would need to be cut down in order to provide visibility to perform speed checks. Diane Vierling will talk with Chief Manko and John Wick to determine exactly what the police would require to enforce speed control.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Borough Secretary reported receipt of "Allegheny County's 2018 (Year 44) Community Development Block Grant Program Information Packet July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019" from Allegheny County Economic Development. Pre-applications must be submitted by September 15, 2017. The pre-application provides an opportunity for ACED to verify project eligibility and service area prior to the submission of the full application. Complete packets of information were given to John Orndorff and Bill Monski.

Within the next few weeks, John Wick will assemble and install the bench, purchased as a gift to the community by Peter Hayes, in honor of his father's years of service to the Borough. It will be located at the corner of Beaver and Glen Mitchell Roads.

The Borough received \$5,884 from Allegheny County as its portion of Real Estate Transfer Tax for the month of July.

The Borough Secretary reported that Laurel Mendez, resident of 413 Orchard Avenue, requested permission to have a block party on September 9, at 5:00 p.m. Mrs. Mendez will be notified that Council was in agreement of her request.

PUBLIC SERVICES

Mary Scalercio reported that “Glen Osborne” flags will be ordered from Quality Flags, Inc. to replace the current “Glen Osborne” flags which are faded and worn. Metal poles with clips will also be ordered. The flag poles with clips will prevent the flags from becoming wrapped around the poles.

PUBLIC WORKS

John Orndorff reported that he was contacted by Jeff Bates who resides at 540 Sycamore Road. Mr. Bates attended Glen Osborne’s September 20, 2016 Council Meeting, where he expressed concern about the damage that was occurring to his driveway when vehicles used it to turn around at the barrier when Sycamore Road was closed to through traffic. On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted, 5 – 0, to approve up to \$500 for repairing Mr. Bates’ driveway.

It was determined that more time was needed to determine if a permanent natural gas line or a large refillable liquid propane gas tank should be installed as the auxiliary power source for the Hare Lane pump station.

Bill Monski explained that it will be another week before the DEP completes restoration of the hillside along Glen Mitchell Road.

John Orndorff reported that Ray Antonelli stopped by the Hare Lane pump station and inspected the propane tanks and topped them off, on his own time, and at no charge to the Borough.

FINANCE

Holly Merriman reported that Jordan Tax Service is doing an excellent job

collecting delinquent real estate taxes, and the Borough's delinquent tax revenue is greater than expected.

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.

At the request of Mayor Carrier, at 8:20 p.m. Council recessed into Executive Session. Council reconvened at 8:49 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Mary Scalercio, Council voted 5 – 0, to adjourn at 8:52 p.m.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary