

**GLEN OSBORNE BOROUGH
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2014
COUNCIL MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Glen Osborne Borough Council was held in Osborne Elementary School on Tuesday, September 16, 2014. 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, Louis Naugle, John Orndorff, Mary Scalercio

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

Visitor: Robert Shillingsburg 1110 Beaver Road

VISITOR

Robert Shillingsburg, resident of 1110 Beaver Road, presented a "Petition for Bicycle Lanes on Beaver Road from Glen Mitchell Road to Boundary Street" that was signed by 26 Glen Osborne residents. On behalf of the residents who signed the petition, Mr. Shillingsburg requested that Council conduct an engineering study to determine the feasibility and costs of creating bicycle lanes along both sides of Beaver Road from Glen Mitchell Road to Boundary Street. President Huddleston advised that the petition would be forwarded to James Cohen, Chair of the Public Safety Committee.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 19, 2014 MINUTES

The Minutes were not read as members received a copy in their packet. There being no changes, John Orndorff moved the Minutes be approved, with a second by Holly Merriman. Council voted 5 – 0, to approve the motion.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Borough received confirmation from FEMA that the revisions to Glen Osborne's Floodplain Management Ordinance, as amended on August 19, 2014, brought the Ordinance into compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) as required for Allegheny County's updated Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). This Ordinance, # 405, has been posted on the Borough's website.

National Casualty Company advised that their investigation of Mr. Gary's claim regarding damage to his car has been concluded. Mr. Gary's claim has been denied because there was no evidence of negligence on behalf of the Borough. Mr. Gary has been advised to go through his own auto insurance carrier.

QVCOG will hold “Recycling Day” on November 1, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Sewickley Borough will host this event on the 600 Block of Washington Street which is behind the Sewickley Borough Municipal Building. This event will be posted on our website, and an email blast will be sent to our residents.

QVCOG’s Annual Dinner will be held on October 15, 2014. Diane Vierling and Nancy Eersly will attend, and contribute a \$30 door prize (as requested by the QVCOG).

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Carrier reported that Dr. Barbara Mellett, Principal of Osborne Elementary School, sent out notices to the parents, and there have not been any issues regarding parking on Glen Mitchell Road.

According to the latest police reports, there has been very little activity in Glen Osborne during the past month.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Solicitor Stone reported that Dr. Ferris’ attorney reviewed the Borough’s request of approximately \$8,000 for reimbursement of legal and engineering fees. On motion of Holly Merriman, seconded by John Orndorff, Council voted 5 – 0, to authorize Solicitor Stone to settle the claim for attorney’s fees and engineering fees related to the Ferris Plan of Lots development in the amount invoiced minus a \$300 deduction for a duplicate entry.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

John Orndorff reviewed Duquesne Light’s LED Street Light Conversion Program, and reported that the LED light conversion will have no effect on our Liquid Fuels allotment. On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Louis Naugle, Council voted 5 – 0 to accept Duquesne Light’s offer to convert 10 street lights from sodium vapor to LED lights at a cost of \$1090. This conversion cost will be recouped in 5 years with the savings in electrical costs from the 10 LED lights. (The Borough has 70 – 80 street lights.)

Mr. Orndorff reported that our Borough Engineer, Ray Antonelli, Jr., contacted him this afternoon regarding a sewer leak along Sycamore Road. On motion of John Orndorff, seconded by Holly Merriman, Council voted 5 – 0, to authorize an expenditure of up to \$18,000 to repair the sewer along Sycamore Road.

John Orndorff and President Huddleston met with Jesse Washington regarding replacement and repair of the sidewalks and curbs along his property at 509 Glen Mitchell Road. They agreed to discuss estimates and alternatives. Mr. Washington is aware of his responsibility for replacing the sidewalks. With cold weather approaching,

there is only another month left to perform this work. It was agreed that, if necessary, this project could be completed in the spring. John Orndorff will meet with Mr. Washington to review estimates and proposals.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Holly Merriman requested that each committee chair submit a list of items for the 2015 budget. A budget meeting will be held during the Finance Committee Meeting, Tuesday, October 7, at 7:00 p.m. All committee chairs are asked to attend. Mrs. Merriman advised that they would also discuss how they want to handle the debt. Holly Merriman reported that the Earned Income Tax received thus far this year, has exceeded the budget for 2014.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

At the end of this meeting a group photo of Council will be taken for the website.

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.

OLD BUSINESS

John Orndorff will contact Ray Antonelli to review the costs that were estimated for bicycle lane markings along Beaver Road that were determined during the time of the paving project.

NEW BUSINESS

Our current Council consists of six Council Members. Solicitor Stone explained, according to the Borough Code, in order to have a quorum, a majority of those holding office must be present. Therefore, **four** Council Members must be in attendance to form a quorum. A quorum cannot be formed by phone. The Mayor is not a voting member and is not part of the quorum except at the Organization Meeting. In the event any vote of Council results in a tie, the Mayor may cast a vote to resolve the tie.

It was determined that there would not be enough members in attendance to form a quorum at the October 21, 2014 Council Meeting. Therefore the October Council Meeting will be held Thursday, October 23, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. in Osborne Elementary School. This change will be posted on our website and published in the Tribune-Review and Sewickley Herald.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of Louis Naugle, seconded by John Orndorff, Council voted 5 – 0, to adjourn at 8:44 p.m.

Diane Vierling, Borough Secretary