

Council President Darren Rash called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on October 13, 2016 to order at 7:00 PM at Borough Hall, 140 Main Street, Schwenksville, PA 19473.

Present, Darren Rash, Lee Ann Miller, Phil Berardi, Todd Larsen, Greg Pocius and Mayor Joe Giunta

Also, present, Blake Dunbar Jr. Esquire, Anne Klepfer, Borough Manager, Secretary-Treasurer Gail Phillips.

Absent, David Leh, P.E

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Mayor's Report, Mayor Giunta reported the State Police statistics of 26 incidents for September 2016.

Fire Company Report, Jim Keyser was not present. Submitted August and September Reports to Mrs. Klepfer. There were 6 calls in Schwenksville in August and 3 calls in Schwenksville in September.

Ambulance Report, Gail Phillips read the report for September 2016 stating Plymouth Community Ambulance had 13 calls for Greenfield Senior Living and seven calls for the Borough. PCAA Memberships are available anytime; please call 610-277-2776.

LED Street Light Upgrade Program Presentation: Michael Fuller from Keystone Lighting Solution was present at the meeting and Madeline Sandoz from JCI was via speaker phone. Mr. Fuller went through the presentation of the DVRPC Multi-Municipal Regional Streetlight Procurement Program. The lease agreement is \$63,539.00 for twenty years.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: No comments

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Dave Leh was not present. Mrs. Klepfer asked council to approve the payment to GoreCon Construction in the amount of \$76,374 for the Walnut Street Project. **Motion** by Lee Ann Miller second Greg Pocius. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Blake Dunbar Jr. reported that the Façade Easement Agreement for the Main Street Mural Project was submitted to the Sabo's attorney.

ACTION ITEMS – MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES:

Minutes: Dispense with the reading of the September 8, 2016 **Regular** Meeting Minutes approve the September 8, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes, subject to Ms. Miller's amendments. **Motion** by Greg Pocius and **seconded** by Phil Berardi. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer reports for September and October 2016 submitted and payment of the Borough October 2016 bills, totaling \$124,470.58. **Motion** by Greg Pocius and **seconded** by Phil Berardi to approve the treasurer reports and to pay the bills totaling \$124,470.58. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Resignation Letter of Philip Berardi: Tabled until the November 10, 2016 Council Meeting.

Resolution No. 2016-16: A Resolution Accepting the Investment Grade Audit and Authorizing the Borough Manager to sign and execute necessary authorizations to move the Regional Streetlight Procurement Program forward. **Motion** by Greg Pocius **second** Phil Berardi. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

Resolution No. 2016-17: A Resolution Authorizing the Signing of Guaranteed Savings Agreement, Lease Agreement and Program Agreement for the Regional Streetlight Procurement Program. **Motion** by Greg Pocius **second** Phil Berardi. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

MANAGER'S REPORT

Finance Report: Mrs. Klepfer read the summary Financial Report. For the Period January 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016, total income for General Fund and Liquid Fuels Funds was \$499,075.44 and Total Expenditures was \$435,138.89 for a net gain of \$63,936.55. General Fund experienced a net gain of \$54,928.91. General Fund Assets total \$328,652.93, Capital fund Assets total \$41,857.43 and Liquid Fuels Fund Assets total \$33,396.18 for a combined Assets total of \$403,906.54.

Manager's Report: A monthly activity report was submitted to Council by Mrs. Klepfer.

4th Street Repair Cost Estimate: The Borough received one quote so far for \$9,000 to repair a section on fourth Street where the paving is wearing off. Mr. Leh is working on obtaining two more quotes. This will be put on the projects list for 2017.

Draft 2017 Budget: Council had a discussion to increase the 2017 Real Estate tax by **1.0 mil** making the total General Fund tax rate **5.94 mil**. Borough Council and Mayor Giunta agree to raise the tax a proposed 1.0 mil. The increase amounts approximately to a \$156.00 increase in the annual real estate tax paid to Schwenksville Borough for the median home-assessed value of \$156,000. Mrs. Klepfer will revise the 2017 Draft Budget and resubmit to Council. At the November meeting, Council will need to approve the Final Budget and authorize to advertise.

Perkiomen Bicycles: Mrs. Klepfer issued a non-compliance letter about the projection sign at the rear of Perkiomen Bicycles. Mrs. Klepfer received a response letter from Perkiomen Bicycles about his signs and the new projecting sign (bicycle dude). Council will give a six-month extension to Mr. Laird to leave it up and Council will refer the matter to the Planning Commission to revisit the sign ordinance. **Motion** by Phil Berardi **second** Greg Pocius to give a six-month extension for the projecting sign. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Historical Committee: Committee members assisted Borough staff in collecting materials for the artist to use for the upcoming Mural design.

Ambler Savings Bank has agreed to display the Albright Houses. A letter of agreement will need to be signed by Ambler and the Borough.

The committee members are each working on various tasks. Daren Clossin has been compiling resources by property address which will complete the "history" section on our Historic Resource Survey forms. The committee is also working on posting materials to the Borough's website.

The Committee members are: Darren Clossin, Chris Kraft, Roy Miller and Lee Ann Miller.

Property Committee: A partial paint job is being done on Borough Hall, approx. cost \$425.

Additional lighting and security cameras (waiting for proposal from Phil and Greg).

Thank you to Todd and Phil for helping Lee Ann install \$227.94 worth of Landscaping in the Town Access beside Borough Hall last month.

OTHER BUSINESS: none

Adjournment - Motioned by Greg Pocius and **seconded** by Todd Larsen to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 pm. **Motion carried 5-0.**

NEXT MEETING(S):

November 3, 2016 Next Planning Commission Meeting to be held at the
Schwenksville Fire House
November 10, 2016 Next Council Regular Meeting

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail L. Phillips
Secretary