

Council President Darren Rash called the Schwenksville Borough Council meeting on March 12, 2020 to order at 7:00 PM at Borough Hall, 140 Main Street, Schwenksville, PA 19473.

Present, Darren Rash, Lee Ann Miller, Sarah Knickerbocker, Chris Melville and Mayor Joe Giunta.

Also, present, Borough Secretary-Treasurer Gail Phillips.

Absent: Maureen Harte and Borough Manager Anne Klepfer, Engineer Dave Leh and Solicitor Wendy McKenna.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: By the Assembly

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS & Special Business

- A. Meeting Announcements – COUNCIL PRESIDENT DARREN RASH ANNOUNCED THAT TONIGHT’S MEETING IS SHORTENED DUE TO THE CURRENT SITUATION WITH THE CORONAVIRUS (AKA COVID-19). WE ARE HERE TO APPROVE THE ACTION ITEMS ONLY TO KEEP THE BOROUGH IN BUSINESS.

ACTION ITEMS – MOTION’S, RESOLUTIONS, AUTHORIZATIONS

- a. Treasurer’s Report:** Gail Phillips submitted the Treasurer report for the period ending February 29, 2020, the current invoices due for payment total \$77,889.70. This includes \$19,251.14 from the General Fund, \$12,173.18 payroll and taxes \$11,048.85 from Capital Fund and, \$34,646.30 from Construction Fund, and \$770.33 from Liquid Fuels. **Motion** by Sarah Knickerbocker **second** Chris Melville to pay the invoices and payroll totaling \$77,889.70. All in favor, **Motion carried 5-0.**
- b. 300 Main Street Renovation Project Action Items:**
- i. Approval of change Orders #5, 7, 8 (Knox Box, color Change from Green to Anodized Aluminum for Brake-bent and Fascia, & Floor Drain)
 - ii. Consideration/approval of Change Order #6 – new doors, frames and hardware for a cost of \$12,044.08. **Motion** Sarah Knickerbocker **second** Chris Melville to approve change orders #5, 6, 7 and 8. **Motion carried 3-0** with Lee Ann Miller abstaining from the vote as she is part owner of the adjacent property at 250 Main Street.
 - iii. Payment #2 for Uhrig Construction Inc, in the amount of \$34,215.30. **Motion** Sarah Knickerbocker **second** Chris Melville to approve payment #2 for \$34,215.30. **Motion carried 3-0** with Lee Ann Miller abstaining from the vote as she is part owner of the adjacent property at 250 Main Street.

- c.** Resolution No. 2020-07: A Resolution authorizing Submission of a 2020 CDBG Grant. **Motion** Sarah Knickerbocker **second** Chris Melville to authorize submission of a 2020 CDBG Grant. All in favor. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Declaration of Disaster Emergency – **Motion** Sarah Knickerbocker **second** Lee Ann Miller. All in favor. **Motion carried 4-0.**

DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on or about Monday, March 9, 2020 a health emergency, specifically a pandemic resulting from the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (aka COVID-19) has caused or threatens to cause injury, damage, and suffering to the persons and property of Schwenksville Borough; and

WHEREAS, the health emergency has endangered the health, safety and welfare of a substantial number of persons residing in Schwenksville Borough, and threatens to create problems greater in scope than problems Schwenksville m Borough, may be able to resolve; and

WHEREAS, emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected residents in Schwenksville Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the undersigned Mayor of Schwenksville Borough pursuant to the provisions of Section 7501 of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Services Code, (35 PA C.S., Section 7501), as amended, do hereby declare the existence of a disaster emergency in Schwenksville Borough.

FURTHER, I/we direct the Schwenksville Borough Emergency Management Coordinator to coordinate the activities of the emergency response, to take all appropriate action needed to alleviate the effects of this disaster, to aid in the restoration of essential public services, and to take any other emergency response action deemed necessary to respond to this emergency.

STILL FURTHER, I/we authorize officials of Schwenksville Borough to act as necessary to meet the current exigencies of this emergency, namely: by the employment of temporary workers, by the rental of equipment, by the purchase of supplies and materials, and by entering into such contracts and agreements for the performance of public work as may be required to meet the emergency, all without regard to those time-consuming procedures and formalities normally prescribed by law, mandatory constitutional requirements excepted.

This Declaration shall take effect immediately.


Mayor - Joseph Giunta

Attest:  Date: March 12, 2020

With no further business Council President Darren Rash asked for a motion to adjourn.

Sarah Knickerbocker made the **motion, second** by Chris Melville to adjourn the meeting at 7:21pm. **Motion carried 4-0.**

NEXT MEETING(S):

BOROUGH OF SCHWENKSVILLE, PA
COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 12, 2020

April 2, 2020 Borough Council Meeting 7:00pm @ Borough Hall
April 9, 2020 Planning Commission 7:00pm @ Borough Hall

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail L Phillips
Secretary/Treasurer