

SEWICKLEY HILLS BOROUGH
Monday May 10, 2016 General Council Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Mrs. Phillips called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Sewickley Hills Borough Municipal/Recreational Building, located at 349 Magee Road, Sewickley, PA 15143-9117.

PRESENT: Cynthia Phillips, , Lucille Guttendorf, Jack Faulkner, Natasha Brandenburg, Mayor David Malarik, Arthur Leonard (Solicitor), Emile Ketterer (Engineer), Wayne Hyjek (Treasurer), Diana Steele (Secretary)

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Lawrence (Randy) Newman

CITIZENS ATTENDED: Craig Rowland, Joe Hajnas, Sr., and Joe Hajnas Jr., Chief Micklos, Joe and Kathy Warick, Don Fogel, Allen Dufala, Kim McLaughlin, Amie Grinnen

CITIZENS & GUESTS: Mrs. Phillips asks if there are any issues not on the agenda that anyone would like to discuss.

MINUTE APPROVAL: Mrs. Phillips asks if Council has reviewed April 12, 2016 meeting minutes and states there is a question regarding the amount of money from the Easter Breakfast that needs to be addressed before approval. The necessary change will be corrected and resubmitted for approval on June 14, 2016.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Hyjek states the following balances at the end of April in the Borough's bank accounts:

PNC	\$10,939.00
FNB	\$93,510.00
A/R	\$1,251.00 with \$600.00 due in refunds
Sanitary	\$57,657.00
Capital Reserve	\$84,489.00

Mr. Hyjek set up a new account for the Maintenance Bond from Pelly for the Woods at Sewickley Hills.

Brooktree	\$183,834.00
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POLICE REPORT: Mayor Malarik states the Police Report was low in April with only 12 minor issue calls. Chief Micklos reported the OTPD has been monitoring the speed on Red Mud Hollow Road and will continue to monitor especially during peak AM and PM hours.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: **Pump Station:** Mrs. Ketterer reported the Council approved \$3,500 last month to empty the pump station; the new quote from Robinson Pipe Cleaning Company is a cost of \$5,800. This company will take responsibility for the necessary services required at the pump station to have it cleaned out.

MOTION: A motion is made by Mr. Faulkner to approve up to \$6,000.00 to have Robinson Pipe Cleaning Company perform the work necessary at the pump station to remove the sludge, seconded by Mrs. Brandenburg; roll call is taken and the motion is carried with all in favor.

Mr. Warick had questions regarding the monies that have been spent since 2002 to rehabilitate the sanitary sewer lines and pump station. These issues have been addressed in past meetings.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: **Resolution:** Attorney Leonard reported he has prepared Resolution #1 of 2016 to accept the roads in the Woods at Sewickley Hills.

MOTION: A motion is made by Mrs. Guttendorf to pass Resolution #1 of 2016 as outlined by Atty. Leonard to accept the roads in the Woods at Sewickley Hills, seconded by Mrs. Brandenburg, the motion is carried with all in favor.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: **QVRA:** Ms. Steele stated there has been nothing forthcoming regarding the parking lot expansion by QVRA, they did however email their certificate of insurance.

Building Manager Update: Ms. Steele stated that Mrs. Kovaks reported the shelf in the ladies rest room is being used by renters as a baby changing table. She has requested the Council look into purchasing a baby changing table. Ms. Steele did some research and found one free standing and one wall mounted. The decision is made by Council to wait until next month to determine which would be the better option.

Motta Heating: Ms. Steele reported that when the Motta Heating representative was doing his regular maintenance he discovered there seems to be leaking refrigerant. He suggested a sealant may be used to repair the leak. The decision is made by Council to wait until the next regular maintenance is performed to discover if there is a leak.

Mrs. Phillips asks if Council has had the opportunity to review the bills and checks and if there are any questions. The Sewickley Borough invoice for salt usage for 2015 – 2016 is questioned by Mr. Faulkner, Mrs. Brandenburg and Mrs. Guttendorf, all stating they thought it was rather high considering the mild winter. Mr. Hyjek is asked to show the salt usage invoice for 2014 – 2015, the invoices show that 2014 – 2015 the invoice was for \$15,577.17 and for 2015 – 2016 it is \$6,300.00.

MOTION: A motion is made by Mr. Faulkner to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Mrs. Guttendorf, roll call is taken and the motion is passed.

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mrs. Phillips states that Kim McLaughlin is present and would like to address Council. Mr. McLaughlin states that he would like to expand his business to include bottle sales and tasting, the tasting allowed by Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board is a maximum of 1 ½ ounce per person. He has also expanded his parking area to seven (7) with an additional handicapped parking spot.

Atty. Leonard stated this would be a change in use as previously presented asking Mr. McLaughlin to present similar plans as he did when proposing the initial use for the property. He further stated the plan would have to include handicapped parking spaces based on the square footage of the building, landscaping plan and lighting plan. Atty. Leonard stated this should be submitted to the Borough building and it will be forwarded to Mrs. Ketterer and to himself before going before the Planning Commission.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Faulkner stated he has not been able to meet with John Wick regarding the contract to repair the Borough's roads.

Mrs. Brandenburg stated the Easter Breakfast showed a profit of \$22.00 which needs to be reflected in the meeting minutes of April 12, 2016.

Mrs. Brandenburg obtained a copy of the walking trails in the area from Sewickley Heights Borough at a cost of \$5.00. She stated it is copyrighted.

Mrs. Brandenburg would like to move forward with plans for a playground to be erected on Borough property and asks that Mrs. Ketterer prepare plans.

Mr. Rowland stated there has been renewed interest in the property known as the Villages; zoning ordinance for Residential D was recently amended to a net density of five units per acre, he would like the Planning Commission to revisit the amendment to increase the density to seven or eight units per acre to become more desirable for developers.

Mrs. Phillips asks Mrs. Ketterer to investigate the possibility of putting a sleeve in the pipe that goes under Hunt Road to prevent it's breakage. Mrs. Ketterer will ask the Robinson Pipe Cleaning Company to prepare a bid.

Mr. Faulkner state the situation of sewage on Hunt Road has not been rectified to date, stating the Borough paid to have testing done on the outflow of sewage from 133 Hunt Road, the residents are in violation of septic malfunction. Ms. Steele is asked to contact the Allegheny County Health Department by telephone and letter to report the infraction. Mrs. Phillips stated the Borough should not be in the middle of the situation and there have been complaints from residents along Hunt Road of the odor of sewage.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: A motion is made by Mr. Faulkner to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Guttendorf, motion carried with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted
Diana Steele-Secretary

