

SEWICKLEY HILLS BOROUGH
Tuesday, June 11, 2019
General Council Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Mrs. Phillips called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance 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, Jack Faulkner, Lucille Guttendorf, Michael Lepore, Joseph H. Hajnas, Andrew Shannon (Solicitor), Charlie Guttendorf (Treasurer), Diana Steele (Secretary)

ABSENT: Mayor Malarik

CITIZENS ATTENDED: Chief Hanney, Don Fogel, Craig Rowland, Joe Donovic

CITIZENS & GUESTS: Mrs. Phillips asks if there is anything not on the agenda to be discussed, Mr. Donovic states he would like to discuss the Solicitation Ordinance.

MINUTE APPROVAL: Mrs. Phillips asks if Council has reviewed May 14, 2019 meeting minutes for approval.

MOTION: A motion is made by Mr. Faulkner to approve May 14, 2019 meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Mrs. Guttendorf, Mr. Hajnas abstains, motion is carried with all in favor.

POLICE REPORT: Ms. Steele reported there were 31 call in May, most were weather related, there was nothing major to report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: Mrs. Phillips reported that Mrs. Ketterer has not heard from the boring engineer regarding the landslide occurring on Fairhill Road. The resident was reluctant to allow access to their property. Mrs. Phillips stated that the erosion occurring was within the easement on Fairhill. Mrs. Ketterer submitted a time line report outlining the project from it's inception to the present. Ms. Steele reported that Mrs. Carey called the Borough office on June 5, 2019 to ask the status of the borings, she was told there was no update at this time. Mr. Faulkner stated the driveway on the Carey's property is more than 50 years old and that it is part of the watershed, he believes their property is causing the erosion. Mr. Hajnas stated we are limited by the right-

of-way of the Borough's property and we should attempt to shore it up as best we can.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Atty. Shannon had nothing to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Guttendorf reported the following balances in the Borough's accounts as of May 31, 2019:

PNC	\$ 8,309
FNB – Money market	\$ 331,307
Capital Reserve	\$ 82,467
FNB- General Fund	\$ 277,958

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: **Banquet Tables:** Ms. Steele stated the banquet tables provided for renters needs to be replenished due to breakage.

MOTION: A motion is made by Mrs. Guttendorf to spend up to \$250 to purchase four tables, seconded by Mr. Hajnas, roll call is taken with all in favor.

Phone Service: Ms. Steele mentioned that every Council member is aware of the recent problems with our Verizon telephone service. They were to disconnect the copper wiring and replace with fiber-optics. The change took over a week. In reviewing the Verizon telephone bill and comparing it to a change to Comcast telephone service the bill could be reduced by approximately \$100/per month.

Mrs. Phillips stated that she would like to table the change until next month's Council meeting to explore additional options for telephone service.

School Bus Stop Ahead: Ms. Steele stated the letter sent to PennDOT to obtain information regarding the placement of a "School Bus Stop Ahead" sign needs to be mailed to the District Manager, Todd Kravitz with the Borough acceptance of installation and maintenance of the signs. Ms. Steele to compose a letter and send to Mrs. Phillips for editing.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Solicitation Ordinance: Mrs. Phillips recognizes Mr. Joe Donovic of the Woods at Sewickley Hills to discuss his concerns regarding solicitors. Mr. Donovic stated that at 8:45 p.m, he had a solicitor knock on his door, and wanted to know what the restrictions for solicitation are, he stated that Ms. Steele had provided him with the Borough's most recently updated Solicitation Ordinance. Chief Hanney stated that Ohio Township provides a list of residents that want to be included in the "Do Not Knock List", it is updated

every two years and provided to all solicitors coming to the Borough. Mrs. Phillips stated that a post-card was mailed to all residents on November 13, 2019.

Landscaping: Wick Landscaping submitted a bid of \$4,584.00 to remove the grasses from the front of the building and replace them with landscaping shrubs.

MOTION: A motion is made by Mrs. Guttendorf to accept Wick Landscaping's bid of \$4,584.00, seconded by Mr. Hajnas, roll call is taken with all in favor.

Mr. Hajnas reported that he has removed the unused road signs that have been stored at the rear of the Borough building.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

MOTION: A motion is made by Mr. Faulkner to pay the bills as presented, seconded by, Mr. Lapore. Mrs. Guttendorf abstains from approving Mr. Guttendorf's check; roll call is taken with all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: A motion is made by Mr. Faulkner to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m., seconded by Mr. Lapore; motion is carried with all in favor.

After the meeting, there will be a short flag raising ceremony with Chief Hanney doing the honors, all are welcome. The flag was donated by Mr. Faulkner from a family that wished for the ceremony to be presided over by Chief Hanney, ex-military.

Respectfully submitted
Diana Steele-Secretary