

**MINUTES**  
**BROOKVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, December 3, 2013 @ 7:00 P.M.**

The Brookville Borough Council met in Council Chambers on Tuesday, December 3, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. with the following in attendance:

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

John Blazosky  
Phil Hynes  
Karen Allgeier  
Steve Hoak  
James B. Sarvey  
William Kutz  
David Ferringer

**STAFF**

Manager Charles Gable  
Solicitor Jim Dennison  
Superintendent Bob Receski  
Mayor Chip Wonderling  
Police Chief Ken Dworek  
Health Code & Zoning and Code  
Enforcement Officer -  
Emerson Turnbull  
Recorder – Christine Gunning

**VISITOR/MEDIA**

Judi Anthony  
Matt Triponey  
John Pozza  
Jim Lipuma  
Clarinda Darr  
Tracy Zents  
Charles Turnbull  
Randy Bartley  
Mark & Janet Mohney

**CALL TO ORDER:**

President Blazosky called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF MINUTES (November 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>)**

Member Hoak moved to approve the minutes as submitted; seconded by Member Allgeier. Motion carried 7-0.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

**1. Approval of Expenditures** – The current bills were presented for approval. Manager Gable had one addition; \$4,556.00 for Solicitor Dennison's services from September to the end of November. Member Hynes moved to approve the bills as amended; seconded by Member Hoak. Motion carried 7-0.

**2. Financial Report** – President Blazosky stated that anyone who has questions regarding the Financial Report should contact Manager Gable or Member Hynes.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. **Mark and Janet Mohney – LERTA Application** – Mark and Janet Mohney stated they are buying the property that was Guthrie Automotive and are applying for LERTA tax abatement to get improvements made to the property. Member Sarvey moved to approve the LERTA application subject to review by the School Board; seconded by Member Ferringer. Motion carried 7-0.

## **REPORTS:**

### **Fire Chief –**

1. **Monthly Fire Report** - Tracy Zents stated there were 21 alarms in the month of November. Tracy Zents stated there were 6 motor vehicle accidents, 1 structure fire, and 5 mutual aid calls. Tracy Zents stated the Brookville Volunteer Fire Company is preparing for the annual gun raffle being held in March.
2. **Jim Lipuma – Transferring Money** – Jim Lipuma requested that the money that Council received from the Firemen's Club last November please be transferred to the Fire Company that the Borough is holding on their behalf. Jim Lipuma stated the money will be put directly into their truck account that they have established. Jim Lipuma stated that a year ago he resigned as Fire Chief over that money and he is asking Council to transfer it over to the Fire Company where it belongs. President Blazosky recommended investigating this further. After some discussion, Solicitor Dennison recused himself, since he also represents the Fire Company. President Blazosky stated he wanted to wait to act on this issue until Council gets representation. Member Sarvey moved to transfer \$55,000.00 to the Fire Company; seconded by Member Allgeier, Member Hoak recused himself, all other Members voted against the motion. President Blazosky stated Council will look into this further.

**Police Chief** – Police Chief Dworek had nothing to report.

### **Superintendent's Report -**

Superintendent Receski said if anyone had questions regarding his written Superintendent's report, he would be glad to answer them.

**Health/Zoning/Code Officer** – Health Code Officer Emerson Turnbull stated he distributed his written Zoning Code Officer report.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **A. Community Resources Committee**

1. **Special Event Permits** – Member Allgeier stated the Community Resources Committee is working on a Special Event Permit form.

#### **B. Finance Committee**

1. **Status of 2014 Budget Preparation** - Member Hynes stated the Finance Committee has completed the 2014 Budget, and there was no tax increase. Member Hynes stated the General Fund Budget for 2014 has expenditures of 1,898,102.73 which is offset by equaling revenues and transfers. Member Hynes stated a capital reserve fund has been included in the budget. Member Hynes stated they are presenting the Budget tonight for review, and it will be on display, and then hopefully we will be able to enact it next week.

### **C. Property Committee**

#### **1. Brookville Volunteer Fire Company – Administration Building Proposal –**

Member Kutz requested an executive session. Council entered executive session at 7:25 p.m. Executive session ended at 7:45 p.m. with the following action taken. Member Kutz made a motion coming from Committee to lease the former Brookville Area School District Administration Building to the Brookville Volunteer Fire Company. We don't know exactly the terms of the lease. We think it will be for ten years, annually renewed for \$1.00 per year. They will maintain the building according to the agreement that will be drawn up. Member Hoak abstained, Member Ferringer opposed, 5 Members approved; motion carried 5-2.

### **Borough Manager's Report**

A. **Chamber Eggs and Issues Invitation** – Manager Gable stated Council Members are invited to the Chamber Eggs and Issues Breakfast at the Heritage House Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 a.m.

B. **Software & Associated Initiatives Update/Information** – Manager Gable stated he will have a conference call with Freedom tomorrow. A representative from Freedom will be onsite next week to train the staff.

### **Solicitor's Report**

A. **Ordinances and Resolutions** – Solicitor Dennison stated that at the next Borough Council meeting on December 17<sup>th</sup>, Council will be adopting a resolution adopting the budget, and a resolution appointing an auditor.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- A. **BMA Modified Consent Order and Agreement** – Solicitor Dennison stated he is waiting to hear back from the attorney for the Department of Environmental Protection.
- B. **Ordinance 1086 – 2013 DRAFT (Amending Chief Pension Plan)** – Member Allgeier moved to approve Ordinance 1086-2013 amending the Chief Pension Plan; seconded by Member Hoak. Motion carried 7-0.
- C. **Appointments to Authorities, Boards and Commissions** – Member Allgeier moved to approve Judi Anthony to be reappointed to the Council Vacancy Board for another one year term; seconded by Member Hoak. Motion carried 7-0.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **Resolution 494-13 – Tax Collection Committee 2014 Budget and Voting Delegate** – President Blazosky stated this will be reviewed for the next Borough Council meeting on December 17, 2013.

### **ELECTED OFFICIAL COMMENTS:**

- A. **Members Hoak and Allgeier** – Members Hoak and Allgeier thanked the Light Up Committee for their hard work.

- B. Member Hynes** – Member Hynes stated that merchants have commented that people thought the red bags on the parking meters meant ‘no parking’ instead of free two hour parking for the holidays.

**CALL FOR ADJOURNMENT:**

Council Member Allgeier moved to adjourn; seconded by Council Member Hoak.  
Motion carried 7-0 at 8:00 p.m.

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Borough Manager