

MINUTES
BROOKVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, July 1, 2014 @ 7:00 P.M.

The Brookville Borough Council met in Council Chambers on Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. with the following in attendance:

COUNCIL MEMBERS

John Blazosky
Phil Hynes
David Ferring
Clarinda Darr
Steve Hoak

STAFF

Manager Dana Schreckengost
Superintendent Bob Receski
Mayor Richard Beck
Police Chief Jason Brown
Solicitor Jim Dennison
Fire Chief Jim Lipuma
Zoning/Code/Health Officer
Emerson Turnbull
Recorder Christine Gunning

VISITOR/MEDIA

Judi Anthony
Matt Triponey
John Pozza
Ann Sarvey
April Crance
Timothy Weinman
Cris Dush
Chris Remley

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 (June 3rd & 17th)

Member Hoak moved to approve the minutes as submitted; seconded by Vice-President Hynes. Motion carried 5-0.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

1. **Approval of Expenditures** – The current bills were presented for approval. Member Hoak stated half the Yellow Page Directory Services charge for \$365.00 should be split with the Authority. Member Hoak moved to approve the bills as amended, seconded by Vice-President Hynes. Motion carried 5-0.
2. **Fund Level Financial Statements** – President Blazosky stated that Vice-President Hynes is available to answer any questions regarding the Fund Level Financial Statements.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. **Penntex Ventures – Dollar General Presentation** – Timothy Weinman, President of Penntex Ventures, was present to answer any questions regarding this project. Timothy Weinman stated Penntex Ventures is asking for Council's approval to build a Dollar General Store at 225 Allegheny Boulevard. Mr. Weinman reported they already received approval from the Planning Commission. Mr. Weinman reported that, from what they understand, the Dollar General Store on Main Street will close. Member Darr moved to approve the site plan of Penntex Ventures; seconded by Member Ferring. Motion carried 5-0.

2. **Church of the Nazarene** – Member Hoak stated the person who was supposed to speak about this could not attend. Member Hoak stated the Church of the Nazarene is requesting permission to solicit money on Main Street on July 18th, in addition to having their annual youth clothing drive, to help clothe underprivileged children in the Brookville Area School District. Member Hoak moved to approve permission for the Church of Nazarene Youth Group to solicit money on Main Street at the intersections on July 18th at the approval of all safety conditions issued by the Police Chief; seconded by Vice-President Hynes. Motion carried 5-0.
3. **Light Up Night Committee/Dissolved by Current Membership** – Member Darr stated, as a member of the Light Up Night Committee, the current membership is dissolving the Committee, and hopes it will be continued in the future. Member Darr gave Council a check for over \$1,200.00 and the key to Santa's Cottage, to be given to whomever continues Light Up Night in the future.

REPORTS:

Chief of Police –

1. **Civil Service Committee** – Chief Brown stated the Civil Service Committee will reconvene on July 17th to finalize things and get the details worked out.
2. **Homemade Detonator** – Chief Brown reported a man brought a homemade detonator to the Police Station last week. Chief Brown stated the man brought the detonator to the Police Station to get it away from his grandchildren, so it wouldn't harm them. Chief Brown stated the Police evacuated the Borough Complex. Chief Brown stated Jefferson Control notified Pittsburgh. Chief Brown stated the homemade detonator was x-rayed and taken apart. Chief Brown reported no one was injured in this incident.

Fire Chief – Fire Chief Lipuma reported there were 65 calls for the month of June, with 15 firefighters per call. Fire Chief Lipuma stated they invested 885 man hours for the calls. Fire Chief Lipuma stated there were 5 structure fires, 25 trees down, 7 lines down, 1 transformer fire, 5 vehicle accidents, and 2 vehicle fires. Fire Chief Lipuma stated he attended F.B.I. training on school shootings with Police Chief Brown on July 10th and 11th. Fire Chief Lipuma reported they attended and supported Create Brookville with Art in the Park on July 14th.

Superintendent's Report – Superintendent Receski said if anyone had questions regarding his written Superintendents report, he would be glad to answer them. Superintendent Receski reported they started paving today, and he is letting Slagle handle Hastings Street completely. Superintendent Receski stated the first phase of paving should be done tomorrow.

Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer – Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Emerson Turnbull stated he would be glad to answer any questions regarding his written report. Code Enforcement Officer Turnbull stated he needs a signature on the Site Plan Review from Council for the Dollar General store on Allegheny Boulevard. Member

Darr asked for an update on what used to be the Days Inn. Code Enforcement Officer Turnbull reported that will be a Motel 6, they just finished renovating and painting one wing, they are moving onto the next wing, and they hope to be open soon.

Solicitor –

1. **Sidewalk Ordinance/Bike Racks** – Solicitor Dennison stated he is working on the ordinance regarding bike racks.
2. **Federal Credit Union** – Solicitor Dennison stated he is trying to keep this project moving, and that it's a matter of them making a few more changes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council entered an Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. with action expected. Executive Session ended at 7:48 p.m. with the following action taken; Vice-President Hynes moved to approve the employment agreement that was drafted between the Borough and Dana Schreckengost; seconded by Member Kutz. Motion carried 6-1, with Member Darr dissenting.

Committee Reports

- A. **Personnel Committee** – President Blazosky stated Personnel Committee Chair Karen Allgeier was not present.
- B. **Community Resources Committee**
 1. **Ordinance Regarding Bike Racks** – Community Resources Committee Chair Clarinda R. Darr stated she will forward information she receives from the National Main Street Committee regarding bike rack ordinances and some of the parking issues to Solicitor Dennison.
 2. **DCNR Grant** – Community Resources Committee Chair Darr stated things are forging right along in regards to the DCNR grant.
- C. **Public Safety Committee**
 1. **Van Usage on Street** – Public Safety Committee Chairman Steve Hoak stated he had nothing new to report on this issue. President Blazosky stated this issue needs to be discussed more. Public Safety Committee Chairman Hoak tabled this issue until the next Borough Council meeting on Tuesday, July 15, 2014.

Borough Manager –

1. **Part Time Employee Update** – Manager Schreckengost she put the ad in the paper for part time help.
2. **Shade Tree Commission** – Manager Schreckengost reported Barbara Grove, who was serving on the Shade Tree Commission, passed away. Member Darr stated she is interested in serving on the Commission. Member Hoak moved to appoint Member Clarinda R. Darr to the Shade Tree Commission; seconded by Vice-President Hynes. Motion carried 5-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. **Projector Purchase for Presentations** – Member Darr asked for a projector to be used at Borough Council meetings for presentations. Member Darr stated former Manager Gable purchased the old projector from the Municipal Authority. Solicitor

Dennison recommended the Borough pay for half of a new projector, and the Municipal Authority pay for the other half. Manager Schreckengost stated we can get a laptop for \$500.00. Vice-President Hynes made a motion to split that purchase between the Municipal Authority upon their approval. After some discussion, Vice-President Hynes retracted his motion. Solicitor Dennison recommended we purchase this laptop through Clarion Computer. Vice-President Hynes asked Manager Schreckengost to research the best options and get back to Council so they can vote on it.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. PSAB Fall Leadership Conference** – Member Hoak moved to approve Manager Schreckengost, President Pro-Tem Allgeier, and Member Darr to attend the PSAB Fall Leadership Conference in Gettysburg October 17th-19th. After some discussion, Member Hoak checked his motion since Council does not need to make a decision regarding this until October. Vice-President Hynes stated Council Members' attendance to this event is covered and approved under the Borough Code.
- B. Pennsylvania Municipal Legal Update** – Member Darr stated she is interested in attending the Pennsylvania Municipal Legal Update in Hershey, PA on August 13th and 14th.

ELECTED OFFICIAL COMMENTS:

- A. Mayor Beck** – Mayor Beck stated he received a complaint that the bridge is impossible on Rose Siding Road. Superintendent Receski stated we put as much money and time into this as we can at this time. Superintendent Receski stated that with how finances are now, there are worse roads. Mayor Beck also stated the Light Up Committee did an excellent job, and he hopes we can get someone else to do it.
- B. Clarinda R. Darr** – Member Darr wished everyone a safe 4th of July and thanked our Veterans.
- C. Dave Ferringier** – Member Ferringier thanked Ann Sarvey and the whole Light Up Night Committee for their hard work.
- D. Steve Hoak** – Member Hoak thanked the Light Up Night Committee and hopes it doesn't end. Member Hoak stated the Laurel Festival was a fantastic event again this year, and wished everyone a safe 4th of July. Member Hoak requested an Executive Session for a personnel matter for Chief Brown after the meeting with no action expected.
- E. Phil Hynes** – Vice-President Hynes thanked the Light Up Night Committee for their hard work and wished everyone a safe 4th of July.

MEDIA QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/CLARIFICATION

- 1. Light Up Night** – Judi Anthony asked Member Darr if there will or will not be a Light Up Night. Member Darr stated the Light Up Night Committee was dissolved. Ann Sarvey stated she heard some individuals are willing to step up and take over the Committee. President Blazosky stated Council does not run things like Light Up Night, a private entity does. Ann Sarvey stated the Borough

owns the wreaths, banners, and the cottage. April Crance stated if there is a group that wants to take over the Light Up Night Committee, they should contact Manager Schreckengost.

2. **Cris Dush** – Cris Dush, who is running for State Representative, asked Council to put a list together of where the State is costing us money. Cris Dush stated if the State is falling down on the job, he wants to get things taken care of in Harrisburg. Cris Dush stated Brookville has always been his home.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council entered an Executive Session at 7:58 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter with no action expected. Executive Session ended at 8:23 p.m. with no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

Member Hoak moved to adjourn; seconded by Vice-President Hynes. Motion carried 5-0 at 8:23 p.m.

Borough Manager