

BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL MINUTES
March 16, 2016

7:00 pm Council Meeting called to order by President, Bill Starn and meeting was being recorded.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Council Members

President: Bill Starn - Present
Vice President: Jim Turnbull - Present
Tim Weisenburger - Present
Frances Levinger - Absent
Bryan Landman- Absent
Connie Klein - Present
Sue Pokego - Present

Mayor

Phyllis Aluseo – Present

Officers

Secretary/Treasurer: Renee Cameron – Present

Solicitor: Chad McMillen – Absent Nick Urick - Present

Police Report: Chief Jones - Present - Chief reported 5 calls for the month of February 2016. Reported 5 traffic citations and 2 parking tickets. Mrs. Turnbull distributed a handout to Council of a log that she kept from February 22, 2016 - February 27, 2016. **Discussion took place.**

Tax Collector Report: Susan Philipp - Present - Ms. Philipp read her report for the month of February, 2016. Tax report on file. Mr. Starn discussed the Borough of Patterson Heights tax refund request form for reassessment received from the Beaver Valley Golf Club. **A Motion was made by Mr. Weisenburger 2nd by Mr. Turnbull to pay the invoice to the Beaver Valley Golf Club in the amount of \$4,776.10. PASSED UNANIMOUS**

Fire Chief Report: Medlin – Present – Report was read. 9 calls were reported for the month of February, 2016.

Visitors:

Martha Pietsch - 58 Darlington Road - Voiced her concerns about council adopting an ordinance that would require all residents to use a one-hauler. She handed council a petition that she collected from her neighborhood.

Melissa Steel - 721 Fifth Street - Addressed her concerns about council adopting an ordinance for a one-hauler. **Discussion took place.** Addressed her concerns with the vacant house on the corner of 5th street. **Discussion took place.**

Bryan Steel - 721 Fifth Street - Addressed his concerns about the vacant house on the corner of 5th street. **Discussion took place.**

Ruthanne Bentley - 509 4th Street - Asked about brush pick-up. She gave an update on the View From The Heights. Next issue will be issued in May, 2016.

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Larry Malone - 710 7th Street - Voiced his concerns with the one-hauler ordinance. Mr. Malone presented a signed petition from his neighborhood residents who are against the one-hauler. He stated that he has been very pleased with the current service he receives from Valley. Mr. Malone addressed his concerns with his neighbor. **Discussion took place.**

Jim Ciganik - 516 4th Street - Complaint with the street water eroding his property. **Discussion took place.** Mr. Starn reassured Mr. Ciganik the job will get done.

Xander Wilkinson - 504 4th Avenue - Xander wanted to voice a complaint on behalf of his neighbor. A big 18 wheeler tractor trailer ran over neighbor's yard. Xander stated he contacted the police. **Discussion took place.**

Code Enforcement Report: D. L. Pella – Absent – Mr. Starn read Code Enforcement report for February, 2016. Report on file.

Communications: Read by Mr. Starn

- Letter 612 7th Avenue
- Resignation letter from Lee Plummer as auditor.
Motion was made by Mr. Turnbull 2nd by Mr. Weisenburger to accept the resignation of Lee Plummer as Auditor. PASSED UNANIMOUS.
- Letter of interest from John Usher for Zoning Officer..

Secretary/Treasurer

- Approve Resolution No. 278 filling vacancies in the elective office of Borough Auditor. **A motion was made by Ms. Pokego 2nd by Mr. Turnbull to approve Resolution No. 278. PASSED UNANIMOUS**

Minutes

A Motion was made by Mr. Weisenburger to approve the meeting minutes of February 17, 2016, 2nd by Ms. Klein. PASSED UNANIMOUS

Public Safety Committee: N/A.

Building and Grounds Committee:

Mr. Turnbull stated that Nathan will be replacing new basketball nets. Mr. Turnbull gave an update on the surveillance cameras. All 6 cameras have been installed and are working.

Streets and Sewers Committee:

Mr. Starn discussed the Insight Pipe invoice. Mr. Starn will contact the Sales Department to discuss the invoice. **Discussion took place.** Mr. Starn will report back at the April 20, 2016 meeting.

Recreation Committee: N/A

Recycling and Refuse Committee – Ms. Pokego addressed the one-haul program. Ms. Pokego thanked the residents for submitting their petitions to Council and addressing their concerns. **Discussion took place.**

Ms. Pokego addressed Mr. Turnbull with some of his concerns he had written in a letter that he handed out to Council at the February 2016 meeting concerning the one-haul program. **Discussion took place.**

Budget and Finance Committee - Mr. Weisenburger gave an update on the letter he wrote to Penn DOT. The remaining funds were returned back to Penn DOT. The Road Loan account was closed on 3/11/16. Still waiting for a response from Penn DOT. Will give an update at the next meeting.

Rental Prop and Maintenance Inspection Committee - N/A

New Business - N/A

Old Business

- **Codification of Ordinances**

Mr. Starn gave an update on codification of ordinances. He will continue to do research and report back at the next meeting. **Discussion took place.**

Officer Reports

- Mayor - (Aluseo)
Read letter from **MAD "Mothers Against Drunk Drivers"**. Mayor gave a report and statistics on teen alcohol. April 21, 2016 is National day for parents to talk to their children about alcohol and under aged drinking. Mayor asked Ruthanne if she could include this information in the next issue of the View.
- Zoning Board/Code - N/A (MDIA)
- COG (Starn)
- Emergency Management Coordinator – N/A (Landman)
- Solicitor McMillen - Absent Solicitor Urick - Present
 - Adopt Ordinance No.278 amending Ordinance 262 by repealing Sections I and II and replacing same with new sections I and III. **A motion was made by Mr. Turnbull 2nd by Mr. Weisenburger to adopt Ordinance No. 278 amending Ordinance No. 262. PASSED UNANIMOUS**

ANNOUNCEMENTS - N/A

A motion was made by Mr. Weisenburger to approve the monthly bills for March, 2016, 2nd by Ms . Klein. PASSED UNANIMOUS.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - N/A

The meeting was adjourned upon a motion by Ms. Klein, 2nd by Mr. Weisenburger. **PASSED UNANIMOUS at 8:43 p.m.**

Renee Cameron, Secretary/Treasurer

Bill Starn, President

Date

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