

**BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
JUNE 20, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Starn at 7:00 pm., and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. It was announced that the meeting was being recorded, and the roll was called.

**Council Members**

Bill Starn - Present  
Jim Turnbull - Present  
Connie Klein - Absent  
Bryan Landman - Present  
Fran Levinger - Absent  
Sue Pokego - Present  
Tim Weisenburger - Present

**Mayor**

Ron Tyger - Present

**Officers**

Solicitor Frank Paganie - Present  
Tax Collector Nadine Galbreath - Present  
Secretary/Treasurer Jack Doyle - Present

**Minutes:** Bryan Landman moved that the Council approve the minutes of the May 16, 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Sue Pokego, and approved by voice vote.

**Police Report:** Chief David Stanislawski presented the monthly report for May, 2018. There were 19 calls for service, including four sessions of traffic monitoring. The Chief addressed the issue of cars running stop signs, and noted that most of the offenders are residents of Patterson Heights. It was brought up to the Chief that someone from Tuma Lawn Service on a riding lawn mower flies up and down the streets, running stop signs. The Chief also provided the Council with a non-emergency number for the police, (724) 775-0883.

**Fire Report:** Assistant Chief David Lee reported seven calls, plus trainings. He also reported new certifications and a new fire truck. The FMC truck it replaced has been sold.

**Visitors:** (1) Xander Wilkinson of 504 4th Avenue reminded everyone that the community-wide yard sale would be held on Saturday, July 7. (2) Ruthanne Bentley of 509 4th Street that the View from the Heights would include information on recent graduates, and asked if there was any other information she might include. (3) Phyllis Aluseo of 508 4th Street pointed out the new display case she received as a donation from Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church, and noted that she and her Historical Committee (Joanne Autenreith, Carol Wagner, and Scott Ensworth) would be meeting soon.

**Solicitor:** In response to a question about requirements for advertising the yearly audit, Mr. Paganie told the Council that he sent a list of the requirements to the Borough Secretary. He also said that there was probably no need for a fireworks ordinance, as Pennsylvania law prohibits the use of fireworks within 150 feet of an occupied structure. He said it would be up to the police to enforce the law. Mr. Paganie discussed having an ordinance regulating solicitation, and said he would have a sample to discuss by the next meeting.

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**Code Enforcement:** Dawna Pella - Absent. The report was read by President Bill Starn.

**Communications:** (1) A letter from Zoning Board Solicitor Patterson with a copy of the decision by Judge Mancini dismissing the appeal filed by Mr. and Mrs. Pflugh. (2) Notice of a "River Run" sponsored by the Ohio River Trail Council. (3) A letter from the USDA regarding instructions for filing applications for water and waste disposal projects.

**Tax Collector:** The Borough deposited \$4,909.65 in real estate taxes in May.

**Secretary/Treasurer:** Jack Doyle - (1) The Borough received \$15,740.86 in Earned Income Taxes, \$1,273.51 in Real Estate Transfer Taxes, and \$1,225 in Rental Registration fees in May. (2) The new website is online, and the Council was given a handout displaying some of its features.

**Public Safety Committee:** Bryan Landman - Bryan thanked Chief Stanislawski for his help in moving the Historical Committee's display case to the Borough Building.

**Buildings and Grounds Committee:** Jim Turnbull - Jim urged caution in the Borough's making additional plantings on Borough property, as it becomes the Borough's responsibility to maintain them. He also mentioned a resident wanting to replace a dead tree at the corner of 6th Street and 8th Avenue, which had been planted as a memorial. The Council had no objection to the replacement.

**Streets and Sewers Committee:** Bryan Landman reported that tar from Sealmaster would increase by about 2% this year. It was estimated that it would cost about \$150,000 if we were to tar and chip the streets in the Borough.

**Recreation Committee:** Connie Klein - No report.

**Recycling and Refuse Committee:** Sue Pokego - Jack Doyle reported that all necessary paperwork has been submitted, Bryan has cleared a space, and we are ready for the recycling boxes. We may need to discuss signage for the boxes after they arrive. Bryan Landman brought up the fact that trash haulers were causing damage to alleys and street corners. Jack will contact Valley Waste, and set up a meeting to discuss.

**Budget and Finance Committee:** Tim Weisenburger - Nothing to report. Next month, we should be able to pay the VFD their second installment for 2018.

**Rental Property and Maintenance Inspection Committee:** Fran Levinger - Absent.

**New Business:** - The November Council meeting will be held on November 21, as we would have to advertise a change, and there are important matters to consider in November.

**Old Business:** - (1) The solicitation ordinance was already discussed. (2) Fireworks were already discussed. (3) The Council will not have a Community Day this year. (4) Recycling was discussed previously.

**Mayor** - Mayor Tyger - Dawna Pella has been doing a good job.

**COG** - Bill Starn - no report

**Emergency Management Coordinator** - Bryan Landman - The June 12 practice nuclear meltdown exercise was successful.

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**Announcements** - None.

**Fiscal and Contractual** - Tim Weisenburger moved that the current bills be approved or ratified as presented. Bryan Landman seconded, and the motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Moved by Bryan Landman, seconded by Sue Pokego, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, July 18, 2018.

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William Starn, President

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Jack D. Doyle, Secretary