

**MINUTES OF MEETING
OF SEWICKLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL
APRIL 12, 2022**

Call to Order

The council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Mullins.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Mullins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present: Julie Barnes, Bridgett Bates, Brian Bozzo, Donna Korczyk, Cindy Mullins, Todd Renner, Tom Rostek and Anne Willoughby.

Todd Hamer arrived prior to meeting ending.

Mayor George Shannon, Solicitor Nate Boring, Engineer Mike Galet and Manager Donna Kaib were on the dais.

Approval of Consent Agenda

On a motion by Willoughby for the Approval of Consent Agenda as submitted, with a second by Korczyk. Motion passed 7-0. Renner abstained. He was not present the prior meeting.

Accepting Monthly Reports

On a motion by Bozzo to accept Monthly Reports as submitted, with a second by Barnes. All in favor.

Public Comments

Scott Zahner, 164 Victory Lane, announced that the Rotary is presenting Franco Verbene the highest rotary award offered to a community. The Paul Harrison award is given to someone that has made a great contribution to the community. He also wanted to introduce Marc Buzzelli and Stu Benson who presented the proposal for the Jaguar, Rolls Royce, Bentley, and Ferrari Clubs to hold an event in Sewickley on August 13, 2022. The application for request of services has been submitted. Council will review and have on the next month's agenda.

Amy White, 235 Melville Lane voiced concerns about short term rentals, specifically Airbnb's. 231 Melville Lane is currently an Airbnb. People are in and out all hours of the day and night. She feels that these items should be addressed when considering the development of short-term rentals: Limit the number short-term rentals in one area.

Limit animals. Prohibit the entire home with out the owner on the property. Check in and out times. Require a distance to adjacent properties.

Resolutions to be Adopted

- On a motion by Bates to approve **Resolution 2022-005** stating that Sewickley Borough is requesting a statewide local share assessment grant of \$1,000,519.25 from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to be used for the Sewickley Borough Community Improvement Project, with a second by Bozzo. All in favor. Motion passed.
- On a motion by Rostek to approve **Resolution 2022-006** to appoint Sherry Clarke as the administrator of the deferred compensation plan with a second by Bozzo. All in favor. Motion passed.

Ordinances to be introduced

None

Ordinances to be enacted

None

Comments from Mayor/Council President/Council Members

President Mullins commented on what a beautiful community we live in and is thrilled to sit with her colleagues and to pitch in and help with the staff that worked all winter with no heat in the building. She stated there is a very motivated group in council.

Mayor Shannon agreed with President Mullins statement.

Tom Rostek updated that the Planning Commission has discussed short term rentals and they have some ideas of how they fit into the Zoning Ordinance. Would like Solicitor to review.

Julie Barnes attended the ALOM Conference and was able to sit in on various sessions, learned a lot and networked with other local and state officials.

Brian Bozzo addressed Amy White and stated that “we understand your concern and we are trying to figure out the best way to approach it.”

Manager Report

None

Solicitors Report and Invoice

None

Engineers Report – Mike Galet

None

Old Business

None

New Business

- On a motion by Barnes to approve the request from the Quaker Valley Fire Safety Committee for the use of Broad Street from Beaver Street to Thorn Street on Saturday, October 15, 2022, from 10am – 2pm with a street closure from 9am – 3pm. The event would include the display of fire trucks, emergency equipment, food trucks and various booths, with a second by Korczyk. All in favor. Motion passed.
- On a motion by Renner to approve the request from LuLa for the closure of Division Street from Broad St. to Hegner Way, starting Friday May 27th through October 31st, Wednesday through Saturday 4pm – 11pm with a second by Rostek. All in favor. Motion passed.
- On a motion by Bates to approve the request to block off Straight Street from Centennial Avenue to Hill Street on June 10, 2022, from 4pm to 7pm with a second by Willoughby. All in favor. Motion passed.
- On a motion by Korczyk to approve the request to block off Melville Lane on Sunday, April 24, 2022, from 2pm to 6pm for a street block party with a second by Barnes. All in favor. Motion passed.
- On a motion by Rostek to approve the request to block off Fountain Street on Sunday, May 29, 2022, from 10am to 9pm for a street block party with a second by Barnes. All in favor. Motion passed.
- On a motion by Rostek based on the recommendation by Planning Commission to approve the lot consolidation plan at 77 Chadwick Street, also known as the Bryan Suydam project, conditioned upon receiving County, State and Borough Engineers approvals with a second by Bozzo. All in favor. Motion passed.
- On a motion by Rostek based on the recommendation by Planning Commission to

approve the final land development plan at 77 Chadwick Street, also known as the Bryan Suydam project, conditioned upon receiving County, State and Borough Engineers approval with a second by Bates. Motion passed 7-0. Bozzo abstained.

Discussion Items

None

Correspondence

None

Executive Session

None

Action from Executive Session

None

Adjournment

On a motion by Rostek, and a second by Willoughby, and a unanimous vote, council adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Kaib
Borough Manager

Cynthia Mullins
President of Council