

ORWIGSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
April 8, 2015

Orwigsburg Borough Council met on Wednesday, April 8, 2015 in Council Chambers. President Buddy Touchinsky called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Attending were: President Buddy A. Touchinsky, Vice President Susan L. Murphy; Councilors: Edward C. Mady, Darle W. Cresswell, Angie Hoptak-Solga, Paul J. Bedway, David J. Rubright; Mayor Barry J. Berger; Solicitor Frank L. Tamulonis; Borough Manager Robert A. Williams and Borough Secretary Sherry M. Edwards.

Visitors were: Bill Knecht of South Schuylkill News; Darin Brensinger of 101 Station Road, Greg Stewart of 228 E Tammany Street, and Amy Marchiano of The Republican Herald.

The minutes of the March 4, 2015 and March 11, 2015 meetings were accepted as presented on a motion made by Sue Murphy, second by Dave Rubright. Unanimous.

The February 2015 Treasurer's Report was presented to Council.

The March 2015 Tax Collector's report was presented to Council.

Real Estate	\$	19,252.56
Per Capita	\$	2,647.00
Occupation	\$	660.86

A motion to exonerate the Tax Collector from collecting Occupation Tax on Tax Exoneration List #3 was made by Dave Rubright, second by Darle Cresswell. Unanimous.

Building Permits for March 2015 – 1 New Permit issued at \$450,000.00 total value.
5 Renovation Permits issued at \$95,947.00 total value.

Public Comment – None

Old Business

A motion to accept Ordinance#419 and ordinance to amend the Orwigsburg Borough Zoning Ordinance by changing the zoning classification of a tract of land located on the west side of S Wayne St from its present classification as I2 Transition Industrial District to new classification as R2 Medium Density Residential District was made by Ed Mady, second by Darle Cresswell. Unanimous.

Scott Kramer, Managing Director, RBC Capital Markets addressed council regarding the borough's S & P rating of AA-. Scott passed out a Summary of the Borough's General

Obligation and Debt Service Schedule (attached to minutes) and reviewed with Council. Scott mentioned to increase the S & P Rating the borough should work on a long range financial plan. Closing is scheduled for May 20, 2015.

A motion to authorize the Borough Manager and Scott Kramer to initiate the required process for the issuance of a bond to pay-off the Pennvest Water and Sewer Loans in addition to funding the proposed Interceptor Sewer Project was made by Paul Bedway, second by Darle Cresswell. Unanimous.

A motion to authorize Robert A. Williams as the Chief Administrative Officer for the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System was made by Sue Murphy, second by Dave Rubright. Unanimous.

Streets & Lights

A motion to authorize the Borough Manager to initiate actions necessary for the application of \$500,000 from the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank in an effort to fund current borough road improvements project which will be paid by future Liquid Fuels Funding was made by Ed Mady, second by Paul Bedway. Unanimous.

Finance

A motion to assign the Orwigsburg M & T Bank as the official depositor, banking, and treasury institution for Orwigsburg Borough in accordance with a Request for Proposal which was previously circulated and dated March 13, 2015 was made by Paul Bedway, second by Darle Cresswell. Unanimous.

Recreation

A motion to adopt Resolution 2015-07 for the DCNR C2P2 Grant Application titled Memorial Playground – Phase II was made by Angie Solga, second by Sue Murphy. Unanimous.

A motion to award Alfred Benesch & Company the Professional Engineering Services required for the DCNR Grant for the Orwigsburg Memorial Playground Proposal No. 1503165 was made by Angie Solga, second by Darle Cresswell. Unanimous.

A motion to accept the selected playground equipment known as Secret Agent from the 2015 Game Time catalog on page 66 was made by Angie Solga second by Sue Murphy. Unanimous.

Planning & Zoning

A motion to initiate the required process for the Pine Creek Public Hearing was made by Paul Bedway, second by Dave Rubright. Paul Bedway withdrew the motion.

COG

Councilor Murphy mentioned the next COG meeting is April 16, 2015 at 7:00 at Borough Hall in Council Chamber.

Fire – None

Police

Mayor Berger informed council and visitors about a scan on PPL bills requesting prepaid credit cards for payment.

The Police Department is addressing speed control and enforcement – in the process of investigating speed control devises

The Police Report for March 2015 is attached to these minutes.

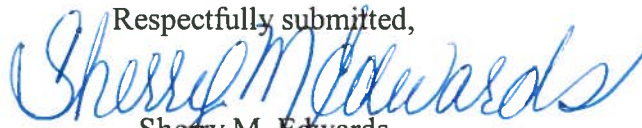
Correspondence – None

Bills

A motion to approve and ratify the accounts payable for General, Water, Sewer, Sanitation and Capital Improvements accounts was made by Darle Cresswell, second by Sue Murphy. Unanimous.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherry M. Edwards
Borough Secretary