

# ORWIGSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL

## MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 2014

Orwigsburg Borough Council met on Wednesday, September 10, 2014 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 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, Jr. Councilor Mitchell Rice; Solicitor Eric Lieberman; Borough Manager Michael P. Lonergan and Borough Secretary Sherry M. Edwards.

Visitors were: Colleen Hoptak of South Schuylkill News, Greg Stewart of 228 E Tammany St; Debbie Lonergan of 300 W Mifflin St; Amy Marchiano of the Republican Herald; Officer Bobby Bechtel.

The minutes of the August 6<sup>th</sup> and August 13<sup>th</sup> meetings were accepted as presented on a motion made by Darle Cresswell, second by Sue Murphy. Unanimous.

The July 2014 Treasurer's Report was presented to Council.

The August 2014 Tax Collector's report was presented to Council.

Real Estate	\$	1,617.44
Per Capita	\$	335.40
Occupation	\$	101.55

A motion to exonerate the Tax Collector from collecting Occupation Tax on Tax Exoneration List #8 was made by Dave Rubright, second by Sue Murphy. Unanimous.

Building Permits for August 2014 - 0 New Permits issued; 7 Renovation Permits issued at \$22,700.00 total value.

Visitors –

Unfinished Business

**New Business**

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance** - None

**Insurance and COG**

Councilor Murphy mentioned the next COG meeting will be September 18, 2014 at 7:00pm in Council Chambers.

**Planning & Zoning**

A motion to authorize the Borough Manager to write a letter to the Orwigsburg Borough Zoning Hearing Board supporting the application of Lynda Williams for a use variance to operate a beer distributorship in the I-1 district was made by Paul Bedway, second by Ed Mady. Unanimous.

A motion to approve the request of HJJT Family Limited Partners for a variance from Section 4.00D of the Floodplain Ordinance to allow paving within 50' of the top of the watercourse was made by Paul Bedway, second by Darle Cresswell. Unanimous.

**Personnel & Negotiations**

A motion to accept the resignation of Sarah McDonough as custodian of Community Memorial Hall effective September 7, 2014 was made by Sue Murphy, second by Paul Bedway. Unanimous.

A motion to accept the resignation of Tyler Dissinger as a part-time police officer effective September 9, 2014 was made by Dave Rubright, second by Sue Murphy. Unanimous.

**Fire** - None

**Police**

Mayor Berger noted: Police logged: 3,353 miles  
Issued: 72 traffic warnings  
Issued: 8 Citations  
Made: 13 arrests

The Police Report for August 2014 is attached to these minutes.

### **Water**

A motion to appoint David Teter to the Source Water Protection Steering Committee was made by Dave Rubright, second by Angie Hoptak-Solga. Unanimous.

A motion to accept the proposal of Yost Mechanical for an HVAC system for the EFI Building at the water plant at a cost of \$3,550 was made by Dave Rubright, second by Paul Bedway. Unanimous.

**Sewer and Solid Waste - none**

### **Streets & Lights**

A motion to adopt Resolution 2014-23 authorizing the Borough Manager to sign the PennDOT Winter Maintenance Agreement and ratifying actions previously taken was made by Ed Mady, second by Sue Murphy. Unanimous.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 415, amending Ordinance 326 adding stop intersections, one way streets and no parking areas was made by Ed Mady, second by Dave Rubright. On a roll call vote taken by Secretary Edwards the vote was as follows; Councilor Bedway – yes; Councilor Rubright – yes; Councilor Murphy – yes; Councilor Mady – yes; Councilor Cresswell – yes; Councilor Hoptak-Solga – yes; President Touchinsky – yes. Vote was unanimous.

A motion to authorize the Borough Solicitor to advertise proposed Ordinance 416, regulating construction and development activities in the flood plain was made by Ed Mady, second by Paul Bedway. Unanimous.

### **Building and Recreation**

A motion to adopt Resolution 2014-24 authorizing the destruction of Borough Records was made by Angie Hoptak-Solga, second by Sue Murphy. Unanimous.

A motion to approve Change Order Number 1 of L & K Construction, a credit of \$1,850 and Change Order #1 of Spotts Brothers, Inc., a charge of \$1,850 was made by Angie Hoptak-Solga, Darle Cresswell. Unanimous.

A motion to approve payment application #1 of L & K Construction for \$53,415 was made by Angie Hoptak-Solga, second by Paul Bedway. Unanimous.

A motion to provide up to \$6,000 from COG funds to support the project to re-landscape the square was made by Angie Hoptak-Solga, second by Ed Mady. Unanimous.

A motion to approve the request of the Orwigsburg Lions club to hold a Halloween Parade on October 22, 2014 was made by Angie Hoptak-Solga, second by Dave Rubright. Unanimous.

Councilor Hoptak-Solga noted we thank the Orwigsburg Business and Professional Association for sponsoring the annual Orwigsburg Heritage Celebration.

**Correspondence** – None

**Bills**

A motion to approve and ratify accounts payable for General, Water, Sewer, Sanitation, and Capital Improvement fund accounts was made by Darle Cresswell, second by Dave Rubright. Unanimous.

Borough Manager Mike Lonergan made the attached announcement.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry M. Edwards  
Borough Secretary