

**BOROUGH OF MILLVALE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

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PRE- MEETING MINUTES    STARTED 7:00 P.M.

ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

RORY BENN PASSED OUT A LETTER FROM VFW POST 118 REQUESTING THAT ORDINANCE #1501 BE CHANGED TO ALLOW THEM TO USE THEIR SIDE YARD FOR A RECREATION AREA. UNANIMOUS TO NOT CHANGE

THE SAFETY COMMITTEE SUBMITTED A SAFETY POLICY FOR THE BOROUGH AND SEAT BELT POLICY WHICH WAS ADOPTED. ALL COUNCIL WAS IN FAVOR. THE POLICE DEPT RECEIVED A \$500.00 GRANT FROM BUCKLE-UP PA.

THE COUNCIL AGREED TO CONTINUE BEING INCLUDED IN THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY CDBG AND HOME PROGRAMS FOR 2009, 2010 & 2011. ALL IN FAVOR. NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN.

THE MILLVALE BASEBALL & SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION ASKED IF THE BOROUGH WOULD REIMBURSE THEM FOR THE FIELD GRADING. IT WAS STATED THAT THEY SHOULD BRING ITEMS TO THE BOROUGH BEFORE THEY DO THEM. VOTE WAS TAKEN 4 NO VOTES - AL ATKINSON, DON GILLESPIE, JIM PORTER AND RORY BENN. 3 YES - JACK VARLEY, ANGELINA YOUNG AND ED WIRKOWSKI

SHALER TOWNSHIP NEEDED TO REPLACE METER ON DORF DRIVE; THEY REQUESTED THE BOROUGH PAY HALF OF THE BILL \$2,213.12. ALL IN FAVOR

DISCUSSION ON WHETHER TO PUT A PORT-A-JOHN DOWN ON THE BARGE AT THE RIVERFRONT FOR PEOPLE WHO FISH THERE. 6 YES VOTES 1 NO VOTE BY JACK VARLEY

DISCUSSION ON WHETHER WE WERE GOING TO CONTINUE THE SWIMMING BUS PROGRAM TO NORTH PARK. THE COST OF THE BUS KEEPS GOING UP AND WE HAVE VERY FEW PEOPLE USING THE PROGRAM. 4 NO AL ATKINSON, DON GILLESPIE, RORY BENN & JIM PORTER. 3 YES VOTE ED WIRKOWSKI, ANGELINA YOUNG AND JACK VARLEY

LEN JESTEADT ASKED IF HE COULD MAKE THE WALL A LITTLE BIT HIGHER BECAUSE THE BOROUGH GUYS DID NOT MAKE THE FRAMING HIGH ENOUGH TO DUE TO THE WAY THE PARKING LOT IS SLOPED. HE ALSO ASKED IF HE COULD MOVE THE LIGHTS BACK TO SAVE THEM FROM BEING DAMAGED AT HIS COST. IT WAS STATED THAT THE BOROUGH GUYS SHOULD DO THE WORK. 2 YES VOTES AL ATKINSON AND JIM PORTER, 4 NO VOTES JACK VARLEY, RORY BENN, DON GILLESPIE, ED WIRKOWSKI, 1 ABSTAIN ANGELINA YOUNG.

THE NEW BAIT SHOP OWNER JESSIE ASKED IF THE BOROUGH COULD PUT OUR DOCKS BACK IN THE RIVER AND HAVE THE GUYS MAKE THE DOCKS A LITTLE BIT STRONGER HE WOULD LIKE TO RENT PONTOON BOATS THERE. ALL IN FAVOR WITH A LIMIT ON THE TIME THAT OUR CREW SPENDS ON IT.

THE NEW SUN RISING WHICH IS THE NON-PROFIT WORKING ON THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM RECEIVED THEIR GRANT AND WE ARE GOING TO BE RECEIVING A LITTLE LESS FOR THE LEASE AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER. WE WILL BE RECEIVING \$2,100 FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 15<sup>th</sup> THRU AUGUST 31<sup>ST</sup>. ALL IN FAVOR.

WE WILL BE AWARDING THE CONTRACT TO TEAR DOWN 9 SEDGWICK STREET AT THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

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DISCUSSION ON CDBG CURRENT GRANT PROJECTS PAVING OF GROSSMAN LANE AND WATERLINE REPLACEMENT GRANT AVENUE TO BE PUT ON BID SCHEDULE AND WE DISCUSSED CDBG APPLICATIONS FOR NEXT YEAR MCCARTHY PARK GAZEBO, MARYLAND AND JEFFERSON STREET WALL, HOUSE DEMOLITIONS, AND STEPS ON SHOUP STREET AND NORTH AVENUE. ALL IN FAVOR

AT THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING TRISHA GEORGE GAVE A LETTER TO THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AND ASKED IF WE COULD COMMIT 25 YEARS NOT TO DEVELOP THE GRANT AVENUE POCKET PARK SITE. THE COUNCIL DISCUSSED HER LETTER AND DECIDED THAT WE COULD NOT COMMIT TO ANY LENGTH OF TIME. ALL WAS IN FAVOR

THE BOROUGH MANAGER ASKED IF WE COULD BOROUGH \$60,000 FROM OUR PARKVALE CREDIT LINE DUE TO THE FACT THAT OUR TAX MONEY HASN'T COME IN YET AND OUR BOND PAYMENT IS DUE. THIS WOULD BE DONE AT OUR REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

ED WIRKOWSKI ASKED TO PUT ROBERTS RULES AND REGULATIONS AND THE PROPER DEFINITION OF ABSTAINING ON THE AGENDA. I COULD NOT FIND ANYTHING IN OUR MINUTES STATING THAT THE BOROUGH EVEN ADOPTED ROBERTS RULES AND REGULATION. OUR SOLICITOR SAID THAT WE DO NOT HAVE TO ADOPT THEM. THERE WAS A LOT OF DISCUSSION ON THIS ISSUE AND IT WAS AGREED THAT OUR SOLICITOR WOULD LOOK INTO IT FOR THE NEXT MEETING AND SETTLE THIS ISSUE. THE MINUTES OF MARCH 11, 2008 REMAINED APPROVED.

ANGELINA YOUNG SUBMITTED A LETTER REQUESTING THE MINUTES BE PUT ON THE WEB SITE WITHIN 48 HRS AFTER BEING APPROVED. ALL IN FAVOR UNLESS THERE ARE EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES.

ANGELINA ASKED IF A WATCH CHILDREN OR CHILDREN AT PLAY SIGN COULD BE PUT UP ON HANSEN STREET. AND THAT A HANSEN STREET SIGN BE ERECTED TO SHOW THAT HANSEN STREET DOES EXIST. ALL IN FAVOR

COUNCIL WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL AT 7:35 PM.

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THE MAY 13, REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT THE BOROUGH COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 8:10 PM BY PRESIDENT, JIM PORTER. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE MEETING WAS BEING TAPED.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL STATED THAT WE WERE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION FROM 7:35 UNTIL NOW DISCUSSING PERSONNEL.

**ROLL CALL:** COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT – JIM PORTER, DON GILLESPIE, JACK VARLEY, AL ATKINSON, ANGELINA YOUNG, RORY BENN, ED WIRKOWSKI.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** SOLICITOR REP – RACHEL RIEDIL, ENGINEER - PHIL HERMAN, MAYOR VINCENT CINSKI AND POLICE CHIEF DEREK MILLER.

**ABSENT:** NONE

SINCE EVERY MEMBER OF COUNCIL AND ALL BOROUGH OFFICIALS HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO READ THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 8, 2008 REGULAR

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COUNCIL MEETING A MOTION IS REQUESTED TO ACCEPT THOSE MINUTES WITHOUT CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS, ADDITIONS OR OBJECTIONS.

*MOTION:* DON GILLESPIE  
*VOICE VOTE:* 7/0

*SECOND:* RORY BENN

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

JOHN Q. GOODMAN-213 SEDGWICK STREET COMPLAINED ABOUT GARBAGE BEING LEFT IN FRONT OF HIS HOUSE BY PEOPLE ATTENDING MR. SMALL'S AND URINATING ON THE WALLS IN BROAD DAYLIGHT. HE STATED THAT HE THOUGHT THAT PEOPLE WERE MOVING OUT OF MILLVALE BASED ON THE LAST CENSUS. YEARS AGO PEOPLE WANTED TO LIVE IN MILLVALE WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

THE BOROUGH MANAGER READ THE MONTHLY REPORTS:

**REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTIONS OF APRIL**

CURRENT	\$ .00
DELINQUENT	\$ 4,254.09
OTHER/TAX LICENSE	\$ 40,099.17
COMMISSION PAID	\$ 2,217.65

**WAGE TAX COLLECTIONS OF APRIL**

CURRENT	\$ 23,013.95
DELINQUENT	\$ 27,811.34
COMMISSION COLLECTED	\$ 1,390.57

**DISTRICT JUSTICE FEE FOR APRIL TO BE GIVEN  
AT THE NEXT MEETING**

\$

**ANIMAL CONTROL FEE FOR APRIL**

\$ 355.00

A MOTION IS REQUESTED TO ACCEPT ALL REPORTS AS READ

*MOTION:* RORY BENN  
*ROLL CALL VOTE* 7/0

*SECOND:* ANGELINA YOUNG

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

***FINANCE*** (JIM PORTER): NO REPORT

***PUBLIC SAFETY*** (JIM PORTER): THE MAYOR WILL REPORT LATER IN MEETING.

***HANDICAPPED COMMITTEE*** (DON GILLESPIE): TWO SIGNS WERE PUT UP

***RECREATION COMMITTEE*** (AL ATKINSON): NO REPORT

***PENSION*** (AL ATKINSON): NO CHANGE

***BOROUGH/PUBLIC PROPERTY & PERSONNEL*** – (DON GILLESPIE): NO REPORT

***PUBLIC WORKS*** (JIM PORTER): WORKING ON PATCHING POT HOLES AND TARRING THE CRACKS IN THE STREETS.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

THE BOROUGH CLEAN-UP WENT WELL AND THANKS WERE GIVEN TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A MOTION WAS REQUESTED TO ACCEPT LUTTERMAN AS THE LOW BIDDER FOR THE DEMOLITION OF 9 SEDGWICK STREET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,740.00.

*MOTION:* AL ATKINSON  
*ROLL CALL VOTE* 7/0

*SECOND:* ANGELINA YOUNG

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A MOTION IS REQUESTED TO BOROUGH \$60,000.00 FROM THE PARKVALE LINE OF CREDIT TO BE PAID BACK WITH THE TAX REVENUE.

MOTION: DON GILLESPIE  
ROLL CALL VOTE: 7/0

SECOND: RORY BENN

A MOTION TO TRANSFER WALTERS AUTO BODY PROPERTY TO THE MILLVALE BOROUGH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

MOTION: ANGELINA YOUNG  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0

SECOND: ED WIRKOWSKI

**ORDINANCES: NONE**

**RESOLUTIONS: NONE**

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** THE COMPLETE REPORT IS AVAILABLE TO VIEW.

1. RIVERFRONT PROJECT  
RIVERFRONT TRAIL PHASE II, BACK CHANNEL BRIDGE.
  - FINAL DESIGN EXTENSION APPROVED.
  - SUBCONSULTANT  
PSI: FINAL GER TO BE SUBMITTED MAY 16, 2008
2. HOMETOWN STREETS AND SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS  
ASTCO CONSTRUCTION, ARMAND TEDESCO, 75% COMPLETE. 40 OF 53 POLES WITH FIXTURES INSTALLED. ALL DOUNDATIONS TO BE COMPLETED BY 5/16/08.
3. DEMOLITION QUOTES
  - 9 AND 11 SEDGWICK. LUTTERMAN EXCAVATING LOWEST BIDDER. SUGGESTED TO AWARD BASED ON 9 SEDGWICK, ONLY.
4. CD YEAR 34
  - PROJECTS INCLUDE GRANT AVENUE WATERLINE AND GROSSMAN LANE RECONSTRUCTION.  
COG BID WINDOWS: JULY 15, 2008 SPECS DUE: JUNE 9, 2008  
AUGUST 19, 2008 SPECS DUE: JULY 14, 2008
5. CD YEAR 35
  - PRE-APPLICATIONS DUE MAY 23, 2008.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** NOTHING FOR THIS MEETING

SINCE EVERY MEMBER OF COUNCIL HAS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE TOTAL INVOICES FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$248,311.62 AND THE CURRENT INVOICES UP TO TODAY'S DATE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$103,664.26 A MOTION IS REQUESTED TO PAY ALL BILLS WHEN FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE.

MOTION: DON GILLESPIE  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0

SECOND: RORY BENN

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

THE MAYOR READ THE POLICE STATS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

MAYOR CINSKI STATED THAT THE POLICE APPLIED FOR A GRANT FROM BUCKLE UP PA "MAY SEAT BELT MOBILIZATION. THEY WILL BE PULLING OVER

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PEOPLE AND CHECKING FOR THAT SEAT BELTS ARE BEING USED AND THE POLICE ARE CHECKING DOG LICENSES AND CHECKING TO MAKE SURE THEIR OWNERS ARE CARRYING BAGS.

A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE COUNCIL MEETING.

MOTION: DON GILLESPIE:                      SECOND: RORY BENN  
VOICE VOTE 7/0

TIME: 8:20 PM

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

VIRGINIA N. PUCCI  
BOROUGH MANAGER