

**BOROUGH OF MILLVALE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2008  
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PRE-MEETING 7:00 & REGULAR MEETING 8:00 PM**

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

ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

DARYL FESTA (412-559-8613 CELL) ATTENDED. HE OWNS 634 NORTH AVENUE AND THERE IS A DETAILING SHOP WITH 3 BAYS AND 4 PARKING SPACES IN FRONT OF THE BUILDING. HE FEELS THAT THE CONCERNS OF THE BOROUGH REGARDING PARKING IS NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT. IF ANY PROBLEMS OCCUR THEY WILL RECTIFY ANY PROBLEMS. THE BOROUGH MANAGER HAS A CONCERN THAT THE CHANGE OF BUSINESS TYPE COULD POSE A PROBLEM (ZONING). SHE WILL HAVE OUR SOLICITOR CHECK ON IT.

MAGIC BEAN BUSINESS OWNER ATTENDED AND IS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING THE BUILDING AT 114 SHERIDAN TO MOVE HIS BUSINESS THERE. THEY ARE NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND THE SQUARE FOOTAGE IS THE SAME. IF HE PURCHASES THE SHERIDAN BUILDING, HE WOULD LIKE TO PUT A CONCRETE PAD IN THE BACK YARD FOR OFF STREET PARKING. HE ONLY HAS ONE EMPLOYEE BESIDES HIMSELF. THE BOARD WILL RESEARCH THE ZONING OF THE AREA AND LET HIM KNOW IF IT IS POSSIBLE.

1. JEN ULRICH, A LANDSCAPING COMPANY, IS WILLING TO WEED, CULTIVATE, PLANT AND MAINTAIN THE THREE BEDS IN MILLVALE AT NO COST TO THE BOROUGH. SHE WILL JUST PUT A SIGN ON STATING THAT SHE TAKES CARE OF THE BEDS. FYI ONLY SINCE WE AGREED AT A PAST MEETING TO TAKE ANY FREE/DONATED HELP WE CAN GET.
2. DISCUSSION ON GROSSMAN LANE WHICH IS ON THE REGULAR AGENDA. LOWEST BID RECEIVED WAS \$43, 887.00. THE BOROUGH COST WOULD BE OVER \$25,000. BOROUGH MANAGER FEELS BOROUGH COULD PROBABLY AFFORD THIS COST.
3. DISCUSSION ON WATERLINE – TABLED
4. DISCUSSION ON ZONING ORDINANCE. - COUNCIL NEEDED MORE TIME TO REVIEW ORDINANCE.
5. MARYLAND AVENUE DEMOLITION HAS BEEN COMPLETED. FYI
6. MR. SMALL’S AGREED TO \$500 MONTHLY PER YEAR RENT. I WOULD LIKE TO DRAW UP THE NEW LEASE. HE WOULD LIKE TO POSSIBLY EXPAND FOR THE COOLER MONTHS AND IF HE COULD GET A LITTLE MORE ROOM HE WOULD BE WILLING TO PAY MORE. I CAN ADD A CLAUSE IN THE LEASE FOR THAT IF WE CAN FIGURE SOMETHING OUT. WE DID TAKE CARE OF THE WATER GOING INTO THE BUILDING.
7. SIX FIRE HYDRANTS WERE REPAIRED FOR AROUND \$500 – FYI ONLY
8. THE BOROUGH MANAGER HAD TO ACCEPT A BID FOR ROAD SALT AHEAD OF THE COUNCIL MEETING AND WE HAVE TO MAKE THE MOTION TONIGHT.
9. COUNCIL WAS TO REVIEW CODE SYS PROPOSAL AND WE WERE TO DISCUSS IT TONIGHT. – TABLED
10. CHIEF MILLER HAS TALKED TO MR. ZAPPALA AND HE IS GOING TO GIVE US A GRANT FOR VIDEO CAMERAS FOR THE RIVERFRONT PARK. WE ARE LOOKING INTO PRICES.
11. THE FORD EXPLORER MOTOR AND THE COST FOR THE NEW ONE IS \$1,800 AND MRS. PUCCI IS NOT SURE IF IT IS WORTH PUTTING THE MONEY INTO IT. WHILE IT WAS PARKED AT RANDIG’S TWO

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WINDOWS WERE BROKEN AND RANDIG IS LOOKING INTO IT THROUGH THEIR INSURANCE CARRIER. WILL CHECK INTO OVERALL CONDITION OF EXPLORER AND IF MOTOR PRICE INCLUDES LABOR.

12. THE NORTH HILLS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS IS HAVING THEIR ANNUAL DINNER AND WE NEED TO KNOW BY THURSDAY MORNING WHO IS GOING AND WHAT THEIR MEAL CHOICE IS.
13. THE BOROUGH MANAGER GOT A NEW GAS SUPPLIER WHICH WILL SAVE THE BOROUGH AT LEAST \$5,000 FOR THE NEXT 2 YEARS.
14. DOES ANYONE KNOW SOMEONE WHO OWNS A CONVERTIBLE FOR THE PARADE AND IS ANYONE GOING TO DONATE SOME TIME FOR MILLVALE DAYS.
15. THE SHALER SLIDE (IN BAUERSTOWN) WAS CAUSING FEARS BECAUSE OF THE HURRICANES IN THE AREA. THE BOROUGH MANAGER MET WITH REPRESENTATIVE BENNINGTON, TIM ROGERS OF SHALER, THE DEP AND THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS.
16. NEW SUN HORIZON IS HERE TO GIVE US A BUDGET FOR THE LIBRARY AND OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR SUMMER PROGRAM AND PLANS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER. THEY BROUGHT SOME CHILDREN FROM THE SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM TO TELL WHAT THEY LIKE BEST ABOUT THE PROGRAM. THEN SOME FIGURES WERE PASSED OUT TO COUNCIL ON THE LIBRARY OPERATIONAL BUDGET FOR 2009. A GRANT REQUEST OR TWO HAVE COME THROUGH AND OTHERS HAVE BEEN APPLIED FOR.

COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG SUGGESTED MOVING THE NEWLY INSTALLED SIGN AT HANSEN STREET TO DAVID STREET. THE BOROUGH MANAGER WILL HAVE IT TAKEN CARE OF.

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COUNCIL WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:30 PM TO 7:50 PM TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL AND A POSSIBLE LITIGATION.

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THE SEPTEMBER 9, 2008 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT THE BOROUGH COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 8:00 PM BY PRESIDENT, JIM PORTER. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED THAT THE MEETING WAS BEING TAPED.

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

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

**ABSENT:** NONE

SINCE EVERY MEMBER OF COUNCIL AND ALL BOROUGH OFFICIALS HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO READ THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 12, 2008 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING A MOTION IS REQUESTED TO ACCEPT THOSE MINUTES WITHOUT CORRECTIONS, DELETIONS, ADDITIONS OR OBJECTIONS.

**MOTION:** RORY BENN  
**VOICE VOTE:** 7/0

**SECOND:** AL ATKINSON

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

ROBERT SCHINDLER LIVES ON EVERGREEN AVENUE AND REQUESTED A SUBDIVISION ON EVERGREEN. AFTER TALKING TO THE ENGINEER, THERE

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WERE SOME MISPRINTS ON THE DRAWING THAT HIS PEOPLE MADE. ENGINEER PHIL HERMAN SAID THE HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND PARTS THE DRAWINGS BUT IT WAS EXPLAINED WHAT HE WANTED TO DO. A LETTER WAS WRITTEN AND HE SAID IT WASN'T FORWARDED TO HIM. THE BOROUGH MANAGER STATED THAT SHE THOUGHT THE ENGINEER WAS GOING TO SEND HIM THE LETTER. THE ENGINEER THOUGHT THE BOROUGH OFFICE WOULD SEND THE LETTER. MR. SCHINDLER ASKED IF A NEW DRAWING WAS NEEDED AND ENGINEER HERMAN STATED HE WILL REVIEW THE DRAWING AGAIN AND THE REGS TO DETERMINE IF ANOTHER DRAWING IS NEEDED.

THE BOROUGH MANAGER READ THE MONTHLY REPORTS:

**REAL ESTATE TAX COLLECTIONS OF AUGUST**

CURRENT	\$ 27,279.06
DELINQUENT	\$ 2,950.12
OTHER/TAX LICENSE	\$ 314.65
COMMISSION PAID	\$ 708.81

**WAGE TAX COLLECTIONS OF AUGUST**

CURRENT	\$ 38,663.73
DELINQUENT	\$ 1,850.44
COMMISSION COLLECTED	\$ 92.52

<b><u>DISTRICT JUSTICE FEE FOR AUGUST</u></b>	\$ 1,711.11
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<b><u>ANIMAL CONTROL FEE FOR AUGUST</u></b>	\$ 280.00
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A MOTION IS REQUESTED TO ACCEPT ALL REPORTS AS READ

MOTION: ED WIRKOWSKI  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0

SECOND: DON GILLESPIE

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**FINANCE** (JIM PORTER): WILL START WORKING WITH GINNY ON 2009 BUDGET SOON.

**PUBLIC SAFETY** (JIM PORTER): MAYOR CINSKI WILL READ THE REPORT LATER.

**HANDICAPPED COMMITTEE** (DON GILLESPIE): NO NEW REQUESTS.

**RECREATION COMMITTEE** (AL ATKINSON): MILLVALE DAYS IS THIS WEEK.

**PENSION** (AL ATKINSON): CONSIDERATION OF A COST OF LIVING RAISE ADDED TO POLICE RETIREMENT.

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

**PUBLIC WORKS** (JIM PORTER): A LOT IS BEING DONE TO PREPARE FOR MILLVALE DAYS.

**OLD BUSINESS:** NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A MOTION IS REQUESTED TO ACCEPT MORTON SALT AS THE LOW BIDDER FOR SALT FROM 9/1/08 THRU 8/31/09 FOR \$104.01 PER TON.

MOTION: ANGELINA YOUNG  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0

SECOND: AL ATKINSON

A MOTION IS REQUESTED TO ACCEPT ELGRANDE INDUSTRIES AS THE LOW BIDDER FOR THE PAVING OF GROSSMAN LANE.

MOTION: AL ATKINSON  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0

SECOND: ANGELINA YOUNG

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MOTION: ANGELINA YOUNG SECOND: ED WIRKOWSKI  
ROLL CALL VOTE 6/0 (ABSTAIN BECAUSE IT AFFECTS HIM-JIM PORTER)

MOTION: RORY BENN SECOND: AL ATKINSON  
DON GILLESPIE STATED THAT THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMITTEE HASN'T SEEN  
REVISIONS YET AND THE BOROUGH MANAGER SAID IT HAS TO BE VOTED ON IN  
A COUNCIL MEETING BEFORE IT GOES TO THE COMMITTEE TO ADOPT.  
ROLL CALL VOTE 7/0

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2308, 2228, 1974 AND 1477 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A CHARGE AND FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$220.00 PER YEAR FOR THE COLLECTION AND REMOVAL OF GARBAGE.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MILLVALE, ALLEGHENY COUNTY,  
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING A STORMWATER MANAGEMENT  
PLAN FOR DRAINAGE AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO BE  
UTILIZED WITHIN THE BOROUGH.

**RESOLUTIONS: NONE**

COMPLETE REPORT IS ATTACHED. HIGHLIGHTS ARE 241 MARYLAND IS DOWN AND GONE, HE HAS BEEN ASSURED THAT THE POWER FROM DUQUESNE LIGHT WILL BE ON TOMORROW FOR THE STREET LIGHTS.

1. RIVERFRONT PROJECT  
RIVERFRONT TRAIL PHASE II, BACK CHANNEL BRIDGE.
  - SUBCONSULTANT: PSI  
DRAFT GER MEETING MINUTES SUBMITTED 9/2/08  
SUBMITTAL OF FINAL GER, RECEIVED 9/9/08
2. HOMETOWN STREETS AND SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS
  - PROJECT COMPLETED JULY 13, 2008. FINAL INSPECTION TO BE SCHEDULED. AWAITING D.L.CO. POWER SERVICE CONNECTIONS.
3. DEMOLITIONS
  - LUTTERMAN CONTRACTING COMPLETED 241 MARYLAND. FINAL INVOICE \$9,200.00, RECOMMENDATION FOR PAYMENT DATED 9/9/08.
4. CD YEAR 34
  - GRANT AVENUE WATERLINE: LOW BIDDER – ASTCO CONSTRUCTION, \$112,250.50. REV: SCOPE - \$83,305.00, AWAITING DIRECTION FROM BOROUGH.
  - GROSSMAN LANE PAVING: LOW BIDDER EL GRANDE INDUSTRIES, \$43,887.00. RECOMMENDATION OF AWARD DATED 9/9/08.

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5. CD YEAR 35

- FULL APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED:  
MCCARTHY PARK TOT LOT  
DEMOLITIONS  
MARYLAND AVENUE RETAINING WALL

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

SINCE EVERY MEMBER OF COUNCIL HAS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE TOTAL CHECKS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$351,532.30 AND THE CURRENT INVOICES UP TO TODAY'S DATE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$111,365.23, A MOTION IS REQUESTED TO PAY ALL INVOICES 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 AUGUST.

OFFICER STEPHANIE VEHEC COMPLETED HER ONE-YEAR PROBATION PERIOD AND SHE IS DOING A GOOD JOB AND IS NOW FULL-TIME UNDER CIVIL SERVICE.

THE PARKING METERS WILL NOT BE ENFORCED DURING MILLVALE DAYS. THE POLICE WILL ENFORCE NO DOG, NO BICYCLES AND NO BOTTLE BEER ON THE STREETS DURING MILLVALE DAYS.

A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE COUNCIL MEETING.

MOTION: RORY BENN  
VOICE VOTE 7/0

SECOND: AL ATKINSON

TIME: 8:20 PM

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

VIRGINIA N. PUCCI, BOROUGH MANAGER