

**MINUTES**  
**BROOKVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, October 20, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.**

The Brookville Borough Council met in the large conference room on Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. with the following in attendance:

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

John Blazosky  
Phil Hynes  
Karen Allgeier  
David Ferringer  
Bill Kutz  
Clarinda R. Darr  
Levi Roseman

**STAFF**

Manager Dana Shick  
Mayor Richard Beck  
Police Chief Jason Brown  
Public Works Director -  
Dave Vallosio  
Zoning/Code/Health -  
Officer Emerson Turnbull  
Solicitor James Dennison  
Recorder Christine Gunning

**VISITOR/MEDIA**

Randy Bartley  
John Pozza  
Matt Triponey  
Dave Duncan  
Lori Rancik, RN  
Julie Peer

**CALL TO ORDER:**

President John Blazosky called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**CORRECTIONS/APPROVAL OF MINUTES (October 6, 2015)**

Vice-President Phil Hynes made one correction to the minutes of the October 6<sup>th</sup> Borough Council meeting; he stated under Committee Reports, item # A1, the short-term loan interest rate should be 3.25%, not 3.5%. Member David Ferringer moved to approve the minutes of the October 6<sup>th</sup> meeting as amended; seconded by President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier. Motion carried 6-0.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

**A. Approval of Expenditures** – The current bills were presented for approval.

Manager Dana D. Shick stated there were two additions:

1. The Standard – Life & Accidental Insurance - \$875.93
2. Karen Allgeier – Reimbursement for Borough's Association - \$119.60

Vice-President Phil Hynes moved to approve the bills as amended, seconded by President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier. Motion carried 6-0.

**B. Fund Level Financial Statements** – President John Blazosky stated anyone with questions regarding the Fund Level Financial Statements can ask Vice-President Phil Hynes or Manager Dana D. Shick.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- A. Brookville's Best – Lori Rancik, RN - Penn Highlands Brookville** – Lori Rancik, Case Manager of Women's Health at Penn Highlands Brookville, stated this is Women's Health month. Ms. Rancik stated, beginning at the age of 40, women should get mammograms yearly. Ms. Rancik stated women should start

to get mammograms at an earlier age if breast cancer runs in their family. Ms. Rancik stated Penn Highlands Brookville wants women to get the message that it is recommended they get yearly mammograms. Ms. Rancik stated they partner with Adagio Health, so uninsured and underinsured women can get mammograms too. Ms. Rancik reported Penn Highlands Brookville now has an O.B.G.Y.N. Ms. Rancik stated she is a member of a women's health outreach program called 'Spirit of Women'. Ms. Rancik stated 'Spirit of Women' is a national coalition of hospitals that brings cutting edge women's healthcare to small communities. Ms. Rancik stated 'Strong Women' is a bone strengthening exercise program that helps with osteoporosis and fall prevention. Member Clarinda R. Darr stated Penn Highlands Brookville is a winner because it has the machinery and the know how, and people who can't afford don't have to go without. Reporter John Pozza asked Ms. Rancik if the financial help is limited to age, and Ms. Rancik replied that it is not. Alternate Junior Council Member Levi Roseman asked Ms. Rancik if she heard about the new guidelines for mammograms that was passed today. Ms. Rancik stated she did not get that on her newslines, but she has heard there has been a push to change the age to 50 and to get a mammogram every two years, but it is recommended that women get mammograms each year beginning at the age of 40. Health Officer Emerson Turnbull stated he heard the new guideline is to start to get mammograms at the age of 45. Ms. Rancik stated breast density has been a big part of the debate of when to start to get mammograms. President John Blazosky and several Council Members thanked Lori Rancik for coming to the meeting.

## **REPORTS:**

**Chief of Police** - Police Chief Jason Brown stated last week the Brookville Police Department took part in the Brookville School District's 'Walk to School Day' to promote anti-bullying in schools. Police Chief Brown stated he, along with Officer Markle and Fire Chief Lipuma, provided traffic control from the Brookville YMCA to Hickory Grove Elementary School. Police Chief Brown stated he, along with Mayor Richard Beck, want to publicly commend all of our Officers for the recent illicit drug and DUI arrests that have been made. Police Chief Jason Brown stated through their diligent efforts and by working as a team, our Officers are continuing to make Brookville a safer place to live.

**Director of Public Works** – Public Works Director Dave Vallosio reported the Borough's annual leaf pick up starts Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. Public Works Director Dave Vallosio stated a new pickup truck was put into service, and it is doing a good job.

**Zoning/Code/Health Officer** – Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Emerson Turnbull reported he took part in a discussion regarding a new subdivision on South Main Street, made an agenda for the Planning Commission meeting which was cancelled, had two meetings regarding cancelling the meeting, issued 1 sign permit, and issued 1 demolition permit. Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Emerson Turnbull reported he handled 2 calls and wrote a letter regarding a Pearsall property, and a new roof was put on one of the buildings. Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Turnbull reported he

received 1 application for the Zoning Hearing Board regarding denial of a subdivision. Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Emerson Turnbull reported he handled 2 calls regarding zoning at the old Days Inn. Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Emerson Turnbull stated the old Days Inn property is not being re-sold. Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Turnbull stated the owner of the old Days Inn property is putting a loan on it to make improvements. Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Emerson Turnbull reported he handled complaints regarding weeds on West Main Street and Oak Street. Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Turnbull reported he received a complaint regarding leaves on Franklin Street, handled 2 calls regarding the Sheetz renovation, received a call regarding firework sales, and spent time in the office filing applications.

## **Committee Reports**

### **A. Personnel Committee**

1. **Equipment Operator Position** – Personnel Committee Chairwoman Karen Allgeier reported Public Works Director Dave Vallosio had a chance to go back to his former position as Equipment Operator, but chose to keep the position of Public Works Director. Personnel Committee Chairwoman Karen Allgeier made a motion coming from Committee making James Rowan official Equipment Operator for the Borough of Brookville. This motion coming from the Personnel Committee was unanimously approved. Motion carried 6-0.
2. **Laborer Position** – Personnel Committee Chairwoman Karen Allgeier stated James Rowan's promotion to official Equipment Operator leaves an open position for a laborer. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier stated pursuant to the Union contract we have to open that position up by posting it in our Maintenance Department first to see if any of our part-time people are interested in that job. Personnel Committee Chairwoman Karen Allgeier made a motion coming from the Personnel Committee to post that position in our Maintenance Department as soon as possible to see if any of our part-time people are interested in that job. This motion coming from the Personnel Committee was unanimously approved. Motion carried 6-0.

### **Solicitor**

- A. **H.B.I. – Alley next to the Courthouse** – Solicitor Dennison reported he talked to H.B.I. Solicitor Dennison stated they closed off the alley next to the courthouse. Solicitor Dennison stated DCNR told H.B.I. they not only have to close the alley, but they have to own the alley or lease the alley in order to use DCNR money to work on the alley. Solicitor Dennison stated they cannot own the alley, but there may be some possibility of leasing it. Member David Ferringer and President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier stated you cannot lease an alley. Solicitor Dennison stated he will work on this, and try to have something before the next Borough Council meeting.

## **Borough Manager**

- A. **Auction Old Pickup Truck** – Manager Dana D. Shick stated the Borough got a temporary loan to get Public Works Director Dave Vallosio a new truck, and we would like to auction off the old truck. Manager Dana D. Shick stated it would be advertised, we would receive sealed bids, and there would be a \$1,000.00 minimum bid. Vice-President Phil Hynes moved to approve the advertisement of the bid for the old vehicle; seconded by President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier. Motion carried 6-0.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

## **ELECTED OFFICIAL COMMENTS:**

- A. **Alternate Junior Council Member Levi Roseman** – Alternate Junior Council Member Levi Roseman thanked Council for putting up with him again this week, and stated Junior Council Member Danielle VanSteenberg is busy playing a lead role in a musical entitled, 'How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying'. Alternate Junior Council Member Levi Roseman stated the fall sports season is coming to an end, but in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, there have been several ceremonies at these sporting events honoring all that are struggling with the battle of cancer. Alternate Junior Council Member Levi Roseman stated tonight at the high school is 'Dig for a Cure Night' for volley ball. Alternate Junior Council Member Levi Roseman stated there was a fire drill last week at the school and everything went very well. Alternate Junior Council Member Levi Roseman stated last week the whole district got to enjoy a presentation in an assembly of a world champion unicyclist.
- B. **Mayor Richard Beck** – Mayor Richard Beck stated he is pleased Alternate Junior Council Member Levi Roseman is participating.
- C. **Member Clarinda R. Darr** – Member Clarinda R. Darr thanked Council for letting her attend the Borough conference in Seven Springs. Member Clarinda R. Darr wished the candidates good luck, and asked everyone to exercise their privilege to vote. Member Clarinda R. Darr asked everyone when they drive to be careful of kids playing in leaves. Member Clarinda R. Darr stated the Haunted Hayride continues at our local drive-in.
- D. **Member Bill Kutz** – Member Bill Kutz commended Police Chief Jason Brown on the drug arrests that were made, and thanked the Brookville Volunteer Fire Company for being out at 4:00 this morning.
- E. **President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier** – President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier thanked Police Chief Jason Brown, Fire Chief Jim Lipuma, Steve Hoak and all the other fire fighters for their hard work. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier reminded everyone of the Haunted Hayride. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier asked everyone to attend a fund raiser for Rotary this Saturday that is a tribute to Hee Haw at the Barrow Civic Theatre. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier thanked Council for letting her attend the Borough conference,

and stated she was notified that at the spring conference next year in June she will receive her Certified Borough Official Designation for completing the requisite classes, etc. with regard to being a member of the Borough Council. President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier stated she is honored to be able to bring that back next June.

- F. **Vice-President Phil Hynes** – Vice-President Phil Hynes stated the Finance Committee and Manager Dana D. Shick have been meeting diligently on the Budget, and they are making progress.
- G. **President John Blazosky** – President John Blazosky stated he had nothing to add, and asked the media if they had any questions.

#### **MEDIA COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CLARIFICATION:**

Reporter John Pozza asked Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Emerson Turnbull about the subdivision plan at South White Street and Rose Siding Road; if he had any details about what was going there. Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Emerson Turnbull stated he did not receive any paperwork for the subdivision. Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Emerson Turnbull stated someone plans a venture to purchase four acres at the corner of South White Street and Rose Siding Road, but the owner of the property has to subdivide it first. Reporter John Pozza asked if it had anything to do with WRC. Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Emerson Turnbull stated it would be a private venture.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

President Pro-Tem Karen Allgeier moved to adjourn; seconded by Member Bill Kutz. Motion carried 6-0 at 7:30 p.m.

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Borough Manager