

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of Oakmont Borough Council was called to order at 7:35 PM by President Benusa.

ROLL CALL

Present: Ms. Zentgraf, Messrs. Bland, Favo, Federici, Kennedy and President Benusa, members of Council; Mayor Fescemyer; and, Solicitor Shoop

Excused: Mr. Taliaferro and Ms. Jensen

Visitors: Nancy Ride

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All those who were present and able stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance, Personnel & Legal

Ordinance No. O21-2007, 2008 Budget - Mr. Favo offered Ordinance No. O21-2007, and moved that it be placed on First Reading, an ordinance adopting the budget, levying and assessing taxes, and making appropriations in and for the Borough of Oakmont, for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of December 2008.

Mr. Federici seconded the motion.

Mr. Kennedy asked Mr. Favo six questions pertaining to points of clarification about the 2008 Budget.

Mr. Bland suggested that, in the future, funding be more heavily concentrated in areas relating to infrastructure. Specifically, he felt that more funding emphasis should be placed on paving, Edgewater developments' traffic remediation, storm water management, street signs and Dark Hollow Road.

Mr. Favo added that monies from pending payment on a recycling grant would more than cover the cost of a new truck, plow and spreader. After purchasing the truck, the additional grant monies could be expended on continuing the street sign program.

Mr. Favo read Ordinance No. O21-2007 in its entirety.

President Benusa declared the ordinance passed on First Reading.

Next, Mr. Favo moved that the rules be suspended, the ordinance placed on Second and Third Readings, read by its short title and finally passed.

Ms. Zentgraf seconded the motion, and all those members of Council present voted in the affirmative.

Mr. Favo read the Ordinance by its short title.

President Benusa declared the ordinance enacted. Recorded in Ordinance Book Volume 30, Page , as **Ordinance No. O21-2007**.

Transfer of Funds – Mr. Favo offered a motion to move \$300,000 from an uninsured Pennsylvania Local Government Trust (PLGIT) Fund to three insured accounts at PNC Bank, National City Bank and Citizens Bank.

Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion.

Ms. Zentgraf noted that the PLGIT account would not be closed, but rather, that the principal would be transferred and the interest remain.

Mr. Favo verified that the interest would remain in the PLGIT account, leaving the account open for future use, if necessary. Since most banks do not insure fund over \$100,000, dividing the funds equally and depositing them into the three local lending institutions would indemnify the funds.

All members of Council present voted in the affirmative

Public Safety

Davidson 2007 Vacation Pay - Mayor Fescemyer stated that, in 2007, Retired Patrol Officer Bruce Davidson had accrued 703 hours of the 1530 hours required to be eligible for vacation pay. He asked that Officer Davidson's time in be prorated and that he receive that portion of vacation pay.

Solicitor Shoop said that the distribution of vacation pay was governed entirely by the Collective Bargaining Agreement, and as such, no provisions exist which allow retired police officers to get prorated vacation pay. As well, Council has no jurisdiction to pre-empt the Bargaining Agreement and decide on such an issue.

The Mayor is to summarize his request in writing for Mr. Shoop so that it can be compared to the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct that evening, Mr. Kennedy offered a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Federici seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Lisa Cooper Jensen
Assistant Borough Secretary

N.B.: Transcribed from notes of meeting taken by Council Member Cheryl P. Zentgraf