

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of Oakmont Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Benusa.

ROLL CALL

Present: Messrs. Bland, Favo, Federici, Kennedy, Taliaferro and President Benusa, members of Council; Mayor Fescemyer; Solicitor Shoop; and, Roger A. Dunlap, Jr., Borough Manager and Ex-Officio Borough Secretary

Visitors: Dale Greco, Paradise Group

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance, Personnel & Legal

2007 Schedule of Fees – Mr. Dunlap is to provide a memo at the beginning of the 2007 Schedule of Fees outlining the changes below. The draft ordinance will be referred to the Recreation Board for review and analysis.

2006 Schedule of Salaries and Wages – Council would like to see a comparison of the 2006 pay rates prior to approving the 2007 Schedule.

Parking and Land Use Agreement – Council reviewed the revised agreement prepared by Solicitor Shoop for USGA use of Riverside Park for parking during the U.S. Open. Council asked that the agreement include provisions for rights of last refusal and some time line for how fast the fields will be restored to playing condition.

Street/WWTP Labor Negotiations – The Borough Manager is to send a letter to the Union Representative for negotiations to begin on March 15, 2007 at 5:00 PM.

2005 & 2006 Tax Liens – It was agreed that both years' lien lists should be filed by April 1, 2007. A baseline of \$250 will be used for the Lien Lists.

Employee Short- & Long-term Disability Insurance – Mr. Dunlap was asked to obtain proposals for short- and long-term disability coverage, in lieu of the Borough's existing Sick Leave policy. Copies of all proposals should be shared with Council.

Doug Myers' Resignation – Mr. Dunlap is to prepare a press release, announcing Mr. Myers' resignation for the *Advance Leader*. Mr. Myers is also to be given some token of appreciation as a thank-you. Council will accept applicant resumes to fill this opening until March 8. The new appointment will be made at the March 12 Regular Meeting. Mr. Myers will continue to function in the role of "special liaison" for specified Borough affairs.

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Water Authority Meeting on Charter – Mr. Dunlap is to send a letter to General Manager Jack Dunlap asking for a meeting agenda and some idea of who will be attending the meeting.

AVRR Contract for Traffic Signals – Solicitor Shoop is to offer \$5,000 in payment for use of the railroad's overhead poles (i.e., their "present value") in lieu of the \$500 annual fee stipulated by the AVRR. Mr. Shoop is authorized to negotiate this amount within a \$5,000 to \$10,000 range. A decision will be made on this within five days.

Public Safety

Police Man-hour Memorandum – In addition to Mr. Dunlap's letter to President Benusa on February 21 on this subject, Council asked to review the 2005 ADP records to determine the actual number of hours worked in 2005 by police officers.

Planning, Zoning & Community Development

Hulton Signal Update – Paradise Group's Dale Greco addressed Council and offered to put up \$10,000 to \$12,000 to cover the future maintenance expenses of the Hulton Road traffic signals.

Catanzaro/Singhose Plan of Lots – the Preliminary and Final Subdivision Plan was reviewed without comments or questions from Council.

Engineering & Public Works

Allegheny River Boulevard Restoration – By motion offered by Mr. Favo and seconded by Mr. Taliaferro, the Borough Engineer was authorized to prepare project specifications for the Boulevard Restoration from Hulton Road to Porte Street, the cost for which is not to exceed \$7,500. The motion passed.

Mr. Favo requested that Mr. Dunlap ask Gateway Engineers if the \$2,600 billed for former Borough Engineer Andy Blenko's work on this project be returned to the Borough.

Culture & Recreation

Riverside Park Gas Well – the email correspondence of February 26 from School Superintendent Chuck Erdeljac was reviewed. Mr. Myers was not present to address the issues raised in the letter.

Community Affairs

Code Enforcement Issues – Mr. Dunlap provided Council with copies of all enforcement actions relative to the McKalip property at 747 Fifth Street and the Thomas Meising property at 25 Potomac Street. Copies of the February 2007 Monthly Report from building inspectors Code.Sys were also distributed to Council.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

1. President Benusa asked Mr. Dunlap to check with Dr. Erdeljac about the wall at the High School.
2. President Benusa asked Mr. Dunlap to have the tables removed from the cage behind the Maintenance Garage at Riverside Park.
3. A barricade should be erected near Folino's property on Dark Hollow Road to demark the sinkhole in the roadway.
4. Mr. Dunlap is to look at alternatives to electricity at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mr. Dunlap is to send the lost water data to President Benusa.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct that evening, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 PM.

Roger A. Dunlap, Jr., Borough Manager
and Ex-Officio Borough Secretary

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