

June 11, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular 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 (arrived 7:56 PM), Taliaferro and President Benusa, members of Council; Mayor Fescemyer; Solicitor Shoop; Chief David R. DiSanti, Sr., Roger A. Dunlap, Jr., Borough Manager and Ex-Officio Borough Secretary and Lisa Cooper Jensen, Assistant to the Borough Manager

Visitors: Dorothy Calfe, Victor Calfe, Joan Critchlow, Donna DeTurck, Shawn Gallagher, Les Leasure, Curt Levine, Greg Macaluso, Tom Meising, Tracy Provenza, Bertha Shearer, Jim Trangle and Holly Usher

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Tom Meising, 17 Potomac Street – Mr. Meising addressed Council concerning his inability to obtain a building permit for 25 Potomac. Mr. Dunlap said he had told Mr. Meising on two occasions that the permit was incomplete. Solicitor Shoop suggested that Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Meising sit down and clarify this issue. President Benusa said for Mr. Meising to contact him personally if the problems were not being resolved to Mr. Meising's satisfaction.

Donna DeTurck, 53 Morris Street – Ms. DeTurck said that Mr. Meising had taken over a portion of an unnamed alley between Potomac and Morris Streets that had been used publicly for years. Mr. Meising said he would be glad to take away the rocks he had placed there.

MINUTES APPROVED

President Benusa said the May 14, 2007 Regular Meeting minutes would not be approved that evening because Council had not had time to review them yet.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Borough Manager said the usual reports and newsletters had been given to Council for their review.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Fescemeyer said Chief DiSanti was not present that evening because he was handling traffic control during this first day of the U.S. Open. In Chief DiSanti's stead, Mayor Fescemeyer reviewed the highlights of the May 2007 Police Report for those present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance, Personnel & Legal

Warrants - Mr. Favo moved to approve Warrant List #05-02-2007, dated June 11, 2007, for payments drawn from the following Borough funds:

<i>Fund</i>	<i>Amount</i>
General Fund	\$82,723.73
Library Fund	\$10,067.37
Sewer Fund	\$18,007.93
Capital Fund	\$4,865.49
Centennial Foundation Fund	\$1,081.27
Highway Aid Fund	\$666.28

Mr. Taliaferro seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Favo moved to approve Warrant List #06-01-2007, dated June 11, 2007, for payments drawn from the following Borough funds:

<i>Fund</i>	<i>Amount</i>
General Fund	\$89,345.50
Library Fund	\$8,080.31
Sewer Fund	\$42,895.43
Capital Fund	\$2,267.95
Centennial Foundation Fund	\$126.27
Highway Aid Fund	\$ -0-

Mr. Bland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Public Safety

Street Crew – Mayor Fescemeyer commended the Street Crew for their work over the weekend in preparation for the U.S. Open.

Planning, Zoning & Community Development

Planning Commission Meeting - Mr. Bland announced the next Planning Commission meeting on June 20, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

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Engineering & Public Works

Pennsylvania Avenue Patching - Council Member Federici reported that the road patching along Pennsylvania Avenue had been completed by the Water Company.

ARB Restoration Project – Mr. Federici said resurfacing work on the Boulevard, between Hulton Road and Porte Street, was still slated to begin on June 25.

WWTP Phase II – Mr. Federici said he had nothing to report on this project at present, but would provide more details as the project developed.

Culture & Recreation

Riverside Park Summer Programs – Mr. Kennedy reviewed the status of the various programs being held at the Park this summer. He said he was glad residents were able to use the Park in spite of the U.S. Open parking on the upper level.

Community Affairs

Library Landscaping - Ms. Zentgraf commended Joy Benusa and those who assisted her for their work on landscaping the Library.

Dogs around Library Grounds – Mr. Taliaferro said he had noticed people walking their dogs around Library property, noting that the Library “was not a dog park.” He suggested that a sign be placed there reminding residents of this.

Shade Tree Pruning & Removals – Ms. Zentgraf reported that the 2007 pruning and removals of Borough trees were complete. The Shade Tree Commission was now developing a list of areas where new trees need to be planted.

President Benusa commended Shade Tree Chairman John Wojtyna for his expertise in overseeing Oakmont’s trees.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

President Benusa thanked Mayor Fescemyer for his tireless work with the Chamber of Commerce and Allegheny County officials on the U.S. Open Kick-Off event.

Hulton Road Paving – Solicitor Shoop commended Council for their efforts in getting Hulton Road repaved without cost to the taxpayers of Oakmont. He said their foresight saved the Borough \$250,000.

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ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM.

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

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