

Glenfield Borough Council Meeting

September 11, 2023

The Council Meeting was brought to order by Curtis Reiner at 7:00 pm with the salute to the flag. Roll was called and present were Curtis Reiner, Cathy Cunnard, Joel Kaminski, Greg Joyce, Sam McGee, Travis Hartzog, David Orbison, Michael Seymour and Connie Klauck.

Visitors: Toni Autry

Minutes: The July 10, 2023 minutes were reviewed. Cathy Cunnard made a motion to accept the minutes and Greg Joyce seconded the motion. No discussion held; all were in favor – motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Connie Klauck read aloud the Treasurer's Reports for July and August 2023 to the members of Council. Greg Joyce made a motion to approve the reports and Sam McGee seconded the motion.

Wage and Real Estate Tax: For the month of July \$970.04 was collected for Wage Tax and \$4395.57 for Real Estate and Per Capita. For the month of August \$2933.56 was collected for Wage Tax and \$4163.09 for Real Estate and Per Capita.

Police Report: None.

Fire Report: None.

Solicitor's Report: Mr. Seymour has completed the Park Building reservation application and agreement and it was reviewed by the committee. Mr. Seymour gave an overview of the agreement. Greg Joyce made a motion to pass the resolution and begin using the Park Building reservation application and agreement. Travis Hartzog seconded the motion. No discussion held; all were in favor – motion passed.

The Election Certification form has been completed and returned. It verified that there are no new vacancies and that the seats expiring are Paul Carmody, Cathy Cunnard and Joel Kaminski. Along with those are the 3 auditor terms; a 6-, 4- and 2-year term.

Mr. Seymour did some research on how Glenfield Borough would be able to handle blight. In order for the Borough to be able to condemn a property there would have to be a public purpose use attached. He advised that the best route to use would be using the adopted International Property Maintenance Code to have the issues addressed.

Correspondence: None.

Budget and Finance Committee: Mayor Orbison reviewed the 2023 Budget vs Actual with Council. He highlighted that the Borough has used 80% of budgeted expenses and 79% of the income has been received. The 2023 budget is right on track. He asked for Council to let the committee know at the November meeting of any projects/spending they would like in the 2024 budget.

Grants Committee: None.

Public Safety: Forward movement is continuing with the Railroad Safety Project.

Curtis Reiner is still looking for someone to be Glenfield Borough's Emergency Management Coordinator. He asked Council if anyone would like to volunteer to form a subcommittee to support an EMC. No one volunteered. It was suggested that maybe one of the Gilmores may be interested.

COG: In the future the COG summaries will be included in the Council meeting packets for review.

Building and Ordinance: None.

Streets and Sewers: None.

Parks and Recreation: Curtis Reiner reported that the Park building roof and pavilion roofs have been completed.

Greg Joyce volunteered to fill the potholes in the driveway and to scrape and reseed grass where the shed was.

Old Business: Sam McGee reported that the Officer's meeting at the Valley Vet Club is soon. He asked for another member of Council to attend with him to get a pledge of support for the needed repairs on the Vet monument. Mr. Reiner or Mr. Hartzog may do so.

Travis Hartzog would like the Quaker Valley Recreation Association to pay to use the Borough's Park/baseball field. He asked Mr. Seymour if Glenfield could pay the DCNR back the original grant amount in order to have full control of the park. If QVRA won't pay for field use, Travis would like them to maintain the grass at the park.

New Business: Curtis Reiner asked Council when they would like to hold Halloween trick or treating this year. Council agreed that Sunday October 29th from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm would be a good option but would like Mr. Reiner to ask the residents what they prefer.

Joel Kaminski made a motion to be included in the Allegheny County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home investment partnership programs for three program years – 2024, 2025, 2026. Cathy Cunnard seconded the motion. No discussion held; all were in favor – motion passed.

An executive session was held from 8:24 pm to 8:40 pm to discuss the IPMC litigation status.

Travis Hartzog made a motion to authorize Michael Seymour to take the necessary steps to continue to work with Sean McLinden to take the necessary corrective actions to abate the code violations. Joel Kaminski seconded the motion. No discussion held; motion passed.

Adjournment: Cathy Cunnard made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting and Travis Hartzog seconded the motion. No discussion held; all were in favor – motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Connie Klauck

Secretary / Treasurer