

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH GREENSBURG
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2012**

Council President Clentin Martin called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

All those present repeated the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Hixson, Iezzi, Martin, Putt, Thomas

PRESENT: Mayor Betty Dobies, Solicitor Timothy Fedele, Engineer Douglas Regola

ABSENT: Yarnell, Zalakar

CITIZEN'S REMARKS:

None.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES: A motion was made by Thomas/Putt to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 12, 2011 and the reorganization meeting held on January 3, 2012. VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No - Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Borough Secretary read monthly correspondence and copies were given to each Council member.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MAYOR: Mayor Dobies presented the Police Report for December: 93 incidents, 19 citations, 11 parking notices, 4 arrests, 1,598 miles logged on the cars and \$2,800.75 collected in fines and reports. 2011 Annual Report: 1,541 incidents, 603 citations, 87 parking notices, 117 criminal arrests, 43 ordinance violations, 22,414 miles logged on the cars and \$30,165.59 collected in fines and reports.

POLICE & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Mrs. Iezzi said the Police Chief would like to purchase a new police car. Mr. Martin asked Mrs. Iezzi to have the Police Chief get prices and report back to Council.

Mr. Furin presented his Emergency Management report. He thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve as Emergency Management Coordinator.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Mr. Thomas said he would like to get the drain off of the sidewalk.

STREETS & SANITATION: Foreman's report for December. He said a new program is being written in Microsoft Access for the garbage billing.

FIRE & WATER: Fire Chief's report for December: 40 alarms and drills. Truck mileage: 71 miles on the 1994 rescue truck, 123 miles on the 2008 engine and 35 miles on the 2004 squad truck.

PARKS & RECREATION: Mr. Hixson reported that Bob Iezzi will be starting the handicapped bathroom project at the Recreation Building soon.

Mr. Martin asked Mr. Hixson to meet with Mr. Yarnell about replacing the parking posts on Oak Street.

PLANNING, ZONING & SHADE TREES: Mrs. Putt presented the Zoning Officer's Report for December: 1 building permit for a total of \$43.80. UCC Report for December: no permits issued.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: Mr. Fedele said the deadline (February 1, 2012) to comply with the Knox Box Ordinance is fast approaching. He recommended not enforcing the deadline until the proper information is received from the Fire Chief.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: No report.

SEWAGE AUTHORITY REPORT: No report.

REPORT FROM TAX COLLECTOR: Tax Collector Marianne Bolling reported that Berkheimer will be collecting the earned income tax beginning on January 1, 2012. She said residents will still file their final returns for 2011 with her by April 15, 2012. She also stated that her office hours will be reduced to two days per week.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The financial report for December was presented by Mr. Kunkle. A motion was made by Iezzi/Thomas to acknowledge receipt of the financial report. VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No - Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. AS BUILT DRAWINGS FOR BRICKYARD COMMONS BOND: Mr. Regola said there were some differences in what was done so the bond cannot be released. He recommended that an analysis be done by Mr. Woodman's engineer. Tabled 30 days.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. APPOINTMENT OF VACANCY BOARD CHAIRMAN: A motion was made by Iezzi/Putt to appoint David L. Todaro as Vacancy Board Chairman. VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No - Motion carried.

B. APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING COMMISSION: A motion was made by Putt/Iezzi to re-appoint Jeffrey Burzawa to the Planning Commission for a five-year term ending on January 1, 2017. VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No - Motion carried.

C. APPOINTMENT TO ZONING HEARING BOARD: A motion was made by Putt/Iezzi to re-appoint Joanne Caffrey to the Zoning Hearing Board for a three-year term ending on January 1, 2015. VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No - Motion carried.

D. POLICE CALL CONTRACT WITH CITY OF GREENSBURG: Mrs. Iezzi said the Borough was notified by the City of Greensburg eight days before the end of the year that the

annual costs of the call contract was increasing from \$5,600.00 to \$7,000.00. She said a meeting was held with city officials about the issue and that they have not gotten back to her yet.

E. **REQUEST FOR ZONING CHANGE:** Mr. Fedele said he is waiting on a set of plans from Dr. Kreinbrook for Mr. Regola to review. Once that happens, he will proceed to advertise for a public hearing.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: A motion was made by Thomas/Hixson to authorize payment of the list of bills as presented by the Borough Secretary. **VOTE:** 5 Yes, 0 No - Motion carried.

Mr. Martin stated that agenda meetings are for discussion and the regular meetings are for business. He said there should be no debate with residents under citizen's remarks.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Iezzi/Thomas to adjourn the meeting. **VOTE:** 5 Yes, 0 No - Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Kunkle, M.P.A.
Borough Secretary