

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH GREENSBURG
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2013**

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, Yarnell, Zalakar

PRESENT: Mayor Betty Dobies, Solicitor Timothy Fedele

ABSENT: Engineer Douglas Regola

CITIZEN'S REMARKS:

Bob Shrader, 1532 Ashland Street

Mr. Shrader asked why the garbage rates were raised?

Mr. Yarnell said to cover overall increased costs.

Mr. Shrader said there are people dumping items in the dumpsters behind the Maintenance Building and not paying.

Mr. Yarnell said he wasn't aware of that, but that he would check with Terry Pegg.

Mr. Shrader said the house next to the Elm Street playground has water flowing onto the playground.

Mayor Dobies said those people were to be notified to get the water off of the playground.

Mr. Shrader asked why people can't park on the grass during football games on Oak Street?

Mayor Dobies said the Borough doesn't want the property damaged by cars.

Barbara Mumau, 1419 Pine Street

Mrs. Mumau said she was representing Pine Street residents about the daycare parking.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES: A motion was made by Thomas/Hixson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 10, 2012.

VOTE: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 0 Abstain - 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: 104 incidents, 23 citations, 3 parking notices, 9 arrests, 1,940 miles logged on the cars and \$2,115.28 collected in fines and reports. 2012 Annual Report: 1,489 incidents, 593 citations, 68 parking notices, 129 criminal arrests, 20 juvenile criminal arrests, 47 ordinance violations, 23,836 miles logged on the cars and \$32,704.96 collected in fines and reports.

POLICE & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Mrs. Iezzi said the transmission needs repaired on the 2008 Ford.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Mr. Thomas reported that he had Scott McMahan look at the excessive heat in the Fire Department radio room. It will cost approximately \$800.00 to repair. He also said that he is looking into replacing the front doors on the first floor.

STREETS & SANITATION: Mr. Yarnell presented the Foreman's report for December. Mr. Yarnell said all garbage bills were mailed out under the new system.

FIRE & WATER: Dr. Zalakar presented the Fire Chief's report for December: 47 alarms and drills. Truck mileage: 0 miles on the 1994 rescue truck, 388 miles on the 2008 engine, 74 miles on the 2004 squad truck and 962 miles on the chief's vehicle.

PARKS & RECREATION: Mr. Hixson said he and Mr. Thomas did a walk through in the park with the forester. He said the forester estimated \$10-20,000.00 could be made by clearing out trees. He also said the time to do this would be before Spring while the park is closed. Mr. Hixson announced that the Recreation Board is having a Night at the Races on Saturday, February 16, 2013 at St. Bruno's Church.

PLANNING, ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT: Mrs. Putt presented the Zoning Officer's Report for December: no permits issued. UCC Report for December: no permits issued.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: No report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: No report.

SEWAGE AUTHORITY REPORT: Mr. Petroy reported the Authority has reached an agreement with Hempfield Township and submitted it to the Department of Environmental Protection. He said once they approve it, it will be forwarded to the municipalities for approval.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Mr. Kunkle presented the financial report for December. A motion was made by Iezzi/Putt to acknowledge receipt of the financial report.

VOTE: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. BRICKYARD COMMONS BOND: Mr. Regola said he still has not heard from Mr. Woodman's engineer.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE: A motion was made by Iezzi/Thomas to approve the Finance Committee's action to change employee health insurance from Health America to UPMC Health Plan, retroactive to January 1, 2013 at an annual premium of \$21,055.44.

VOTE: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

B. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH GREENSBURG SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR POLICE SERVICES: Mr. Fedele said the agreement covers incidents of violence where assistance from our Police Department is required.

A motion was made by Iezzi/Hixson to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Greensburg Salem School District for police services.

VOTE: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

C. TREES IN PARK: No action taken at this time.

D. PARKING AT NOAH’S ARK CHILD CENTER: Mr. Martin said the police will deliver a letter tomorrow to Noah’s Ark about violating the parking section of the Zoning Ordinance.

A motion was made by Putt/Iezzi to erect “No Parking 7 A.M. to 5 P.M. Monday thru Friday” signs on Sheridan Avenue on the North side from Noah’s Ark Child Center to the playground for a 90 day period.

VOTE: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASES: A motion was made by Iezzi/Putt to authorize the following purchases:

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
World Class Transmission	Repair Transmission - 2008 Ford	<u>2,000.00</u>
	TOTAL:	\$ 2,000.00

Mrs. Iezzi said the repairs are covered by a 2 year, 24,000 mile warranty.

VOTE: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS: None.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: A motion was made by Thomas/Yarnell to authorize payment of the list of bills as presented by the Borough Secretary and summarized below:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	\$ 42,794.56
VFD Capital Reserve Fund	6,135.78
Street Improvement Fund	61,531.92
Sanitation Fund	12,042.80
Park Fund	<u>9.54</u>
TOTAL:	\$122,514.60

VOTE: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Thomas/Hixson to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Kunkle, M.P.A.
Borough Secretary