

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH GREENSBURG  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 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, Thomas, Yarnell

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

**ABSENT:** Putt, Zalakar

**CITIZEN'S REMARKS:**

Sue Borza, 343 College Avenue, Greensburg

Ms. Borza asked what the reason was for logging trees in the park?

Mr. Martin said several nearby residents have complained about some of the trees hanging on their property.

Mr. Thomas said it is just an effort to thin out the trees, not to clean out massive sections of trees.

Ms. Borza presented a petition of people opposed to cutting down trees.

Dave Todaro, 1528 Pine Street

Mr. Todaro said he was here to address any zoning concerns.

Larry Wolfe, R.K. Neon Sign Co.

Mr. Wolfe said he was here to answer any questions about the digital sign.

Mr. Martin said the sign has not been operable from the time it was purchased until a few weeks ago. He said the Borough had to hire someone else (Biz Communications) to get it working.

Mr. Wolfe said it was a new type of sign with communication that he's never installed.

Mr. Martin said the sign still isn't accessible from the office, Mr. Kunkle must go down to the sign and upload messages. He said there must be some type of compensation off of the bill since the sign doesn't work properly.

Mr. Wolfe said he would contact the manufacturer of the sign, Yesco.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES:** A motion was made by Iezzi/Hixson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 16, 2013.

VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 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 September: 143 incidents, 44 citations, 5 parking notices, 6 arrests, 954 plus miles (odometer on 2008 Ford not functioning) logged on the cars and \$1,461.44 collected in fines and reports. Permit Report: 2 garage sale permits and 3 live entertainment permits for a total of \$135.00.

**POLICE & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:** Mrs. Iezzi reported that the Police Department evaluations are done but not signed. She also said there was an emergency situation in town today when paving contractors hit a gas line.

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:** No report.

**STREETS & SANITATION:** Mr. Yarnell presented the Foreman's report for September. He also said the Borough funded paving program is to be started Wednesday of this week, but it might rain. He said the new worker is doing well.

**FIRE & WATER:** Fire Chief's report for September: 36 alarms and drills. Truck mileage: 0 miles on the 1994 rescue truck, 53 miles on the 2008 engine, 18 miles on the 2004 squad truck and 874 miles on the chief's vehicle.

**PARKS & RECREATION:** Mr. Hixson said a new door will be needed on the Recreation Building annex. Mayor Dobies said "Closed at Dusk" signs are needed for the pavilions facing Pitt at Greensburg.

**PLANNING, ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Zoning Officer's report for September: 1 building permit, 4 sign permits, 1 accessory building permit and 3 billboard reviews for a total of \$783.04. UCC Report for September: no permits issued.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Mr. Fedele said he sent a letter to the property owner at 1407 Broad Street about the water runoff problem. He said he is also working on a letter to the Midway-St. Clair Fire Department about ballfield use.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** Mr. Regola said K. Dolan Construction started work on Pine Street with a subcontractor doing the milling. He said their machine sunk into a section of clay and sheared off a gas line. They will be back on Friday after the gas line is repaired. He said the gas company may not have backfilled an opening in the street correctly.

**SEWAGE AUTHORITY REPORT:** A report was given by Claude Petroy at the agenda meeting held on October 7, 2013. He said the Sewage Authority is still trying to work things out with the Hempfield Township Municipal Authority.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Mr. Kunkle presented the following financial reports: Balance Sheet as of October 14, 2013, Statement of Revenues & Expenditures for September, Bank Reconciliation as of October 14, 2013, Report of Taxes Collected for September, Report of Garbage Fees Collected for September and Budget Report for September. A motion was made by Thomas/Iezzi to acknowledge receipt of the financial report.

**VOTE:** 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. DOG CONTROL CONTRACT: A motion was made by Iezzi/Thomas to approve the Dog Control Contract for 2014 with Hoffman Kennels at a monthly cost of \$90.00.

VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

B. EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE: A motion was made by Yarnell/Iezzi to renew employee health insurance for 2014 with UPMC Health Plan at an annual premium of \$21,951.60.

VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

C. TRANSIT AUTHORITY AGREEMENT: A motion was made by Iezzi/Hixson to approve the Transit Authority Agreement for 2013-2014 with the Westmoreland County Transit Authority at a cost of \$1,515.00.

VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

D. LANDFILL DISPOSAL AGREEMENT: A motion was made by Yarnell/Iezzi to approve the Landfill Disposal Agreement for 2014-2018 with Greenridge Reclamation.

VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

E. 2014 WESTMORELAND COUNTY FIREMEN’S CONVENTION: A motion was made by Thomas/Iezzi to approve the South Greensburg VFD’s request to host the 2014 Westmoreland County Firemen’s Convention.

VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

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

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Vendor Unknown	Garage Door for Rec. Bldg. Annex	<u>1,500.00</u>
	TOTAL:	\$ 1,500.00

VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS:** A motion was made by Iezzi/Thomas to authorize the following budget transfers:

GENERAL FUND

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
410.156 (Health Insurance)	410.174 (Training Wages)	\$ 200.00
410.156 (Health Insurance)	410.183 (Overtime)	200.00
410.156 (Health Insurance)	410.187 (Replacement Wages)	4,000.00
410.156 (Health Insurance)	410.188 (Court Wages)	300.00
410.171 (Supervisory Training)	410.300 (Miscellaneous)	300.00
410.171 (Supervisory Training)	410.452 (Car Wash Contract)	50.00
430.143 (Part-time Wages)	430.232 (Diesel Fuel)	500.00
430.143 (Part-time Wages)	430.313 (Engineering Fees)	1,000.00

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430.143 (Part-time Wages)	430.451 (Vehicle Maintenance)	<u>1,000.00</u>
	TOTAL:	\$ 7,550.00

**SANITATION FUND**

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
427.156 (Health Insurance)	427.162 (Unemployment Comp.)	\$ 400.00
427.156 (Health Insurance)	427.232 (Diesel Fuel)	<u>3,500.00</u>
	TOTAL:	\$ 3,900.00

VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:** A motion was made by Yarnell/Iezzi 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	\$ 50,217.94
VFD Capital Reserve Fund	2,895.78
Sanitation Fund	12,287.80
Park Fund	<u>13.88</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 65,415.40

VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

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

VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Kunkle, M.P.A.  
Borough Secretary