

**BOROUGH OF SOUTH GREENSBURG  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 8, 2014**

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:** Fajt, Hixson, Martin, Putt, Thomas, Yarnell

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

**ABSENT:** Iezzi

**CITIZEN'S REMARKS:**

Anne Bosmay, 321820 Skidmore Drive

Mrs. Bosmay said the drain from the Route 30 overpass is plugged up again. She said her son cleaned it out, but that's not his job. She said water is running off of Route 30 onto her property on Broad Street.

Vanessa Delynko, 1619 Elm Street

Ms. Delynko asked why it took 4 months for a settlement agreement to nullify the original logging contract?

Mr. Martin said it took longer because the wording changed several times.

Ms. Delynko asked how Mr. Weaver was notified that his original contract was declared null and void?

Mr. Martin said he was notified verbally after the July 14, 2014 meeting.

Ms. Delynko said it seems to be a conflict of interest when bids weren't gotten and the contract said all trees could be cut for a year.

Mr. Martin said that wasn't Council's intention.

Mr. Hixson said there were 3 loggers contacted who chose not to submit a bid.

Ms. Delynko said that should tell you something.

Mr. Thomas said those loggers didn't want to do anything after they were contacted by a bunch of clowns.

Ms. Delynko said Council should have researched the timber contract.

Mr. Martin said the Borough was not timbering.

Rose Foschia, 1519 Elm Street

Mrs. Foschia said the logger cut trees that weren't marked.

Mr. Thomas said the Borough marked what we wanted cut and he followed that.

Mrs. Foschia said the Solicitor should review all contracts. She also said if a Council member doesn't attend meetings of the Park Commission that they're on, then they should be removed.

Mike Rosensteel, 1317 Ashland Street

Mr. Rosensteel said the Park Commission is trying to get organized and write goals. He said they're trying to move forward and work with Council, taking into account all views.

Mr. Martin said Council wants to work with the Park Commission to make things better.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES:** A motion was made by Thomas/Fajt to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 10, 2014.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

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

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**MAYOR:** Police Report for November: 93 incidents, 29 citations, 4 parking notices, 4 arrests, 597 plus miles (odometer on 2008 Ford not functioning) logged on the cars and \$1,486.11 collected in fines and reports. Permit Report: 1 garage sale permit and 1 solid waste disposal permit for a total of \$30.00.

**POLICE & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:** Mr. Thomas said contract negotiations with the police are continuing.

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:** No report.

**STREETS & SANITATION:** Mr. Yarnell presented the Foreman's report for November. He said the garbage truck is working fine.

**FIRE & WATER:** Mr. Fajt presented the Fire Chief's report for November: 56 alarms and drills. Truck mileage: 135 miles on the 1994 rescue truck, 258 miles on the 2008 engine, 11 miles on the 2004 squad truck and 240 miles on the chief's vehicle.

**PARKS & RECREATION:** Mr. Hixson said Deb Musa emailed everyone the notes from the Park Commission meeting. He said meetings are moved to the fourth Monday of each month for 2015. He also said the damages to the new restrooms at the Recreation Building were discussed at the last Recreation Board meeting. The deposit will not be given back to the football organization and the lease will be reviewed.

**PLANNING, ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Mrs. Putt presented the Zoning Officer's report for November: 1 sign permit for a total of \$25.00. UCC Report for November: no permits issued.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Mr. Fedele advised that any grants for the park would be to the Borough and the Park Commission should discuss them with Council.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT:** Mr. Regola said he hasn't heard from anyone about the bond for the Rugh Street office building.

**SEWAGE AUTHORITY REPORT:** Claude Petroy said the Authority is changing their employee health insurance to Health America with the same coverage to save money.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Mr. Kunkle presented the following financial reports: Balance Sheet as of December 8, 2014, Statement of Revenues & Expenditures for November, Budget Report

for November, Bank Statement Reconciliation as of December 8, 2014, Report of Taxes Collected for November and Report of Garbage Fees Collected for November. A motion was made by Hixson/Putt to acknowledge receipt of the financial report.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. POLICE DISPATCH SERVICE AGREEMENT: A motion was made by Thomas/Putt to approve the Police Dispatch Service Agreement with the City of Greensburg for 2015-2017.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

B. POLICE CONTRACT: Discussed in executive session following the meeting.

C. SEWAGE AUTHORITY BOARD APPOINTMENT: A motion was made by Thomas/Fajt to re-appoint Claude R. Petroy Sr. to the Greater Greensburg Sewage Authority Board for a five-year term ending on December 31, 2019 at a salary of \$200.00 per month.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

D. LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT: A motion was made by Fajt/Putt to appoint Sara Turley to the Greensburg-Hempfield Library Board for a three-year term ending on December 31, 2017.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

E. DOG CONTROL CONTRACT: A motion was made by Putt/Hixson to approve the Dog Control Contract for 2015 with Hoffman Kennels at a cost of \$95.00 per month.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

F. 2015 MEETING SCHEDULES: A motion was made by Putt/Fajt to adopt the following meeting schedules for 2015: Agenda Meetings – 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month at 6:30 P.M. (September – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 6:30 P.M.), Regular Council Meetings – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 6:30 P.M. (September – 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 6:30 P.M.) and Committee Meetings – every Monday at 6:00 P.M.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

G. 2015 SEWER TAPS: A motion was made by Thomas/Putt to request 10 sewer taps from the Greater Greensburg Sewage Authority for 2015.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

H. FOOTBALL LEASE: Discussed in executive session following the meeting.

I. CHANGE ORDER FOR 2014 PAVING PROGRAM: A motion was made by Yarnell/Fajt to approve a change order in the amount of \$2,660.59 for the 2014 Paving Program, bringing the final contract amount to \$65,071.09.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

J. 2014 PAVING PROGRAM BILL: A motion was made by Yarnell/Thomas to authorize payment of \$65,071.09 to El Grande Industries Inc. for the 2014 Paving Program.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

K. ENGINEERING BILL: A motion was made by Fajt/Yarnell to authorize payment of \$8,800.00 to Victor P. Regola & Associates for engineering fees for the 2014 Paving Program.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

L. 2015 BUDGET: A motion was made by Putt/Yarnell to adopt Resolution No. 2015-01, setting forth the fiscal year 2015 Budget.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

M. ORDINANCE NO. 2015-01: A motion was made by Putt/Yarnell to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-01, setting the real estate tax rate for fiscal year 2015 at 20.77 mills.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

N. ORDINANCE NO. 2015-02: A motion was made by Yarnell/Thomas to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-02, establishing a new rate schedule for garbage collection.

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

Mr. Martin suggested considering a new lease in January for the football organization.

Mr. Thomas suggested charging more for non-residents.

Mrs. Putt said that would penalize the kids from town because there aren't enough kids to play from South Greensburg.

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

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mutual Aid EMS	2 AEDs, Keys & Cases	\$ 2,869.92
Terry Firestone Garage Doors	Repair Maint. Bldg. Garage Doors	2,837.00
Witmer Public Safety Group	Hose Nozzles	<u>3,525.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 9,231.92</b>

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

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

GENERAL FUND

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
411.752 (Air Masks)	411.750 (Major Equipment)	\$ 1,303.00
411.260 (Minor Equipment)	411.750 (Major Equipment)	<u>1,130.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 2,433.00</b>

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

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

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<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	\$ 67,354.92
Sanitation Fund	10,801.13
Park Fund	13.99
Liquid Fuels Fund	<u>5,366.70</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 83,536.74

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

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

VOTE: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Not Present, 0 Abstain - Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 P.M.

Mr. Martin announced an executive session would be held following the regular meeting for legal and personnel matters.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Kunkle, M.P.A.  
Borough Secretary