

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF GREENVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.**

- 1. Call to Order** Council President Longiotti called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

- 2. Invocation:** Pastor Philip Beck, Central Community Church
Flag Salute

- 3. Roll Call:** Pete Longiotti, Council President
David Henderson, Council Vice President
Pamela Auchter, Councilor
Theodore Jones, Councilor
Henry M. Mueller, Councilor
Jasson Urey, Councilor

Landis Erwin, Jr. Councilor - absent
Andrew Woodley, Councilor - absent

Richard H. Miller, Mayor

Also present was Joe Joseph, Borough Solicitor, Ryan T. Eggleston, Borough Manager

4. Appointment of new council member to replace Councilor R. Douglas

Council President Longiotti asked for nominations for the open seat on Borough Council. Councilor Auchter nominated Joanne Price, seconded by Councilor Mueller. Council President Longiotti asked for any other nominations, being none, Council Vice President Henderson moved to close the nominations, seconded by Councilor Auchter. Motion to close nominations approved. Council President Longiotti asked the Secretary to cast the vote electing Joanne Price to Borough Council. Joanne Price unanimously approved to fill the vacated seat of Robin Douglas. Her term will expire December 31, 2007.

Mayor Miller conducted the swearing in of Joanne Gibson Price.

5. Public Comments/Public Participation

Dennis McGranahan, McGranahan Plumbing, voiced his concerns regarding the ordinance on the agenda prohibiting parking on the south side of Main Street between Front Street and Water Street. He stated his business has no public parking and this section of the street is the only parking for his customers. He feels it will be a hardship for his business if the council adopts the ordinance eliminating the parking on that section of the street. He stated that the one hour parking limit is not enforced currently which makes the public parking even more limited. Mr. McGranahan suggested the new sidewalk in Phase II be narrowed to allow for parking. Council President Longiotti said that he would consider his suggestion and talk to the Police Chief about enforcing the one hour parking.

Mr. Hud Artman, Hempfield Twp. resident, spoke about his desire to have signage on the Hadley Road railroad trestle. He has previously spoken to the Hempfield Twp. Supervisors regarding his request to have signs on the trestle to indicate when you are entering Hempfield Twp. and Greenville Borough. He suggested a contest be held to come up with a “catch phrase” for the signs. Mr. Artman also suggested a sidewalk be constructed under the underpass for walkers. Mr. Artman offered to pay for the signs, but asked that the Hempfield Twp. and Greenville fire departments work together to coordinate the erection of the signs. Council President Longiotti agreed to refer this issue to the street committee and have a few members meet with the Hempfield Twp. Supervisors and to contact a representative from the railroad to discuss this issue.

Kate Yasgur announced that the group to promote Greenville also discussed the idea of signage on the railroad trestle and offered their help.

Carolyn McCright, representative from the Greenville Symphony Orchestra, spoke about the annual fundraiser to be held at Thiel College. Her organization is trying to obtain a one day only liquor license for their event and found it is harder than first thought. She stated the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board is requesting certain information be sent to them including, “a copy of the Borough Municipal resolution recognizing the Greenville symphony as a non profit organization.” Ms. McCright believes all that is required is a letter from the Borough Council stating this. She spoke about the cost of keeping the symphony going each year and the fund raisers are critical. Solicitor Joseph interjected he would have to look into this issue, he stated he worked with another municipality on this same type of thing and there was more to it than just writing a letter. Mr. Joseph said that what is needed is for Council to adopt a Resolution, which they are not prepared to do at tonight’s meeting. He sympathized with the February 1st deadline but, this requested needed to come before Council last month. Mr. Joseph stated he would make a phone call tomorrow to see if a Resolution was required or if a letter would suffice. Understanding that if a letter is all that is required, Council Vice President Henderson moved, seconded by Councilor Auchter to approve the Borough Solicitor to draft a letter to the PA Liquor Control Board stating the Greenville Symphony Orchestra is a non-profit organization. Motion approved.

6. Approval of Minutes

Councilor Mueller moved, seconded by Councilor Auchter that the minutes of the December 12, 2006 regular meeting be accepted as written. Motion approved.

7. Budget Report

Councilor Urey moved, seconded by Councilor Mueller to accept the Budget Report – Fund 01 as presented. Motion approved.

8. Mayor’s items

No comments

9. Council reports

Councilor Mueller moved, seconded by Councilor Auchter to accept the monthly reports as written. Motion approved.

- a. Police report for December 2006 and year end 2006 report
- b. Fire Chief's report for December 2006
- c. Treasurer's report for December 2006

The following reports were placed of file:

- a. Code Enforcement report for December 2006
- b. Public Works report for December 2006
- c. GALSA meeting report for December 11, 2006

10. Reports from Council Committees

No Council committee reports.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Appointment to the Greenville Municipal Authority

Council President Longiotti asked for nominations. Council Vice President Henderson nominated Tom Fisher, seconded by Councilor Jones. Council President Longiotti asked for any other nominations, being none, Councilor Auchter moved to close the nominations, seconded by Council Vice President Henderson. Motion to close the nominations approved. Motion approved to appoint Mr. Tom Fisher to the Greenville Municipal Authority.

12. NEW BUSINESS

a. Appointment to the Greenville Airport Commission

Councilor Urey moved, seconded by Councilor Mueller to re-appoint all present members to the Greenville Airport Commission. Motion approved.

b. Appointment to the Code Appeals Board

Councilor Auchter moved, seconded by Councilor Mueller to re-appoint Mr. George Macko to the Code of Appeals Board for a 5 year term. Motion approved.

c. Appointment to the Greenville Planning Commission

Councilor Mueller moved, seconded by Councilor Auchter to re-appoint Lisa Holm Schrader to the Greenville Planning Commission. Motion approved.

d. 2007 Mercer County Regional Council of Governments (COG) joint purchasing agreement.

Councilor Urey moved, seconded by Councilor Mueller to approve the low bidders from the list of the 2007 Mercer County Regional Council of Governments (COG) for joint purchasing of materials and supplies. Motion approved.

e. Ordinance 1460 – Earned Income Tax for 2007

Councilor Mueller moved, seconded by Councilor Urey for a first and final reading of Ordinance 1460 – Earned Income Tax for 2007. Motion approved.

Councilor Urey moved, seconded by Councilor Mueller to adopt Ordinance 1460 – Earned Income Tax for 2007. Motion approved.

f. Ordinance 1461 – Establishing stop intersections

Councilor Mueller moved, seconded by Councilor Urey for a first and final reading of Ordinance 1461 – Establishing stop intersections at the intersection of Fessler Place and Virginia Way. Motion approved.

Councilor Mueller moved, seconded by Councilor Auchter to adopt Ordinance 1461 – Establishing stop intersections at the intersection of Fessler Place and Virginia Way. Motion approved.

g. Ordinance 1462 – Amending Ordinance 1432 to add additional no parking zones in certain locations in the Borough

Councilor Urey moved, seconded by Councilor Mueller for a first and final reading of Ordinance 1462 – amending Ordinance 1432 to add additional no parking zones in certain locations, specifically adding a no parking zone on the north side of Main Street between North Mercer Street and Wall Street, and no parking on the south side of Main Street between Front Street and Water Street. Motion approved.

Council Vice President Henderson moved, seconded by Councilor Mueller to table this Ordinance for further review. A roll call vote was taken.

Councilor Jones	No
Councilor Auchter	Yes
Council Vice President Henderson	Yes
Councilor Price	Yes
Councilor Urey	Yes
Councilor Mueller	No
Council President Longiotti	No

Motion approved 4-3

h. Ordinance 1463 – Amending the Borough Code of Ordinances to include a new maximum speed limit on East Avenue between Union Street and Columbia Avenue.

Councilor Mueller moved, seconded by Council Vice President Henderson for a first and final reading of Ordinance 1463 – Amending the Borough Code of Ordinances to include a new maximum speed limit on East Avenue between Union Street and Columbia Avenue to be in effect 24 hours a day. A roll call vote was taken.

Councilor Jones	No
Councilor Auchter	Yes
Council Vice President Henderson	Yes
Councilor Price	Yes
Councilor Urey	Yes
Councilor Mueller	Yes
Council President Longiotti	Yes

Motion approved 6-1

After much discussion, Councilor Urey moved, seconded by Council Vice President Henderson to adopt Ordinance 1463 – Amending the Borough Code of Ordinances to include a new maximum speed limit on East Avenue between Union Street and Columbia Avenue to be in effect 24 hours a day. A roll call vote was taken.

Councilor Jones	No
Councilor Auchter	Yes
Council Vice President Henderson	Yes
Councilor Price	Yes
Councilor Urey	Yes
Councilor Mueller	Yes
Council President Longiotti	Yes

Motion approved 6-1

i. Resolution 2007-01 – Tax Anticipation Note

Council Vice President Henderson moved, seconded by Councilor Auchter to adopt Resolution 2007-01 – Tax Anticipation Note with First National Bank in the amount of \$250,000. Motion approved.

j. Resolution 2007-02 – An Agreement with Penn DOT Bureau of Aviation

Councilor Urey moved, seconded by Council Vice President Henderson to adopt Resolution 2007-02 – Agreement with Penn DOT Bureau of Aviation for a block grant to acquire snow removal equipment for the Greenville Municipal Airport in the amount of \$5,900.00. Motion approved.

k. Agreement with RBS Engineering Services

Councilor Auchter moved, seconded by Councilor Urey to approve the agreement with RBS Engineering Services regarding the Greenville Municipal Airport Master Plan Review. Motion approved.

l. Per Capita Duplicate exonerations

Council Vice President Henderson moved, seconded by Councilor Auchter to approve the request from the Greenville Tax office for permanent exonerations to the per capita duplicate in the amount of \$15.00. Motion approved.

m. Set a date for a hearing regarding the petition received in request of vacating a portion of Benninghoff Way.

Councilor Auchter moved, seconded by Council Vice President Henderson to set the hearing date and time at 5:30 p.m. on February 8, 2007 regarding the request of vacating a portion of Benninghoff Way. Motion approved.

13. Council Comments

Council Vice President Henderson distributed a sample “poster” of 12 local residents listed in the Megan’s Law website. Councilor Henderson moved, seconded by Councilor Auchter for Mr. Henderson to work with the police department and the Mayor to develop a format for a “poster” style flyer for the February council meeting.

Councilor Price stated she was glad to be back with her “old colleagues”. She appreciated the council having confidence in her and wanted to pay tribute to former Councilor Robin Douglas stating, in her opinion, she was a wonderful council person and that she would be missed.

Council President Longiotti requested permission to sign a letter granting support of the Greenville/West Salem police department application to increase the power output of the police repeater. Councilor Auchter moved, seconded by Council Vice President Henderson to grant permission to President Longiotti to sign the support letter. Motion approved.

Council President Longiotti announced he had appointed Councilor Auchter to the GALSA Board, replacing Robin Douglas as council representative and he is working on updating the council committee appointments. Mr. Longiotti welcomed newly appointed Councilor Price to the council.

14. Borough Manager’s comments

The Borough Manager mentioned the borough web site is close to completion. Regarding Phase II of the Streetscape project, the Borough is on PennDOT’s schedule for the spring of 2008. He stated we obviously want this started as soon as possible and will work towards an earlier date.

15. Bills for Approval

Borough Manager, Ryan T. Eggleston, read the bill report for January 9, 2007

Payroll	\$126,302.44	Traffic Lights	\$ 659.87
Administration	10,990.08	Street Lights	920.81
Tax Expense	4,456.17	Airport	.00
Douglas & Joseph	.00	Park Utilities	2,703.03
Borough Building	2,920.52	Park Expense	2,223.15
Police Department	17,422.43	Bank Payments	54,448.94
Fire Department	9,179.49	Liability/Comp/	21,100.10
Code/Zoning/COG	3,855.61	Sewer Sys. Operating	63,934.56
Sewer Employee Ben	4,076.80	Capital Fund Proj	30,749.10
Street/Pub Works	29,825.57	Railroad Park	24.09
Municipal Pension	.00	Real Estate Tax refund	101.87
Total	\$385,894.63		

Councilor Auchter moved, seconded by Council Vice President Henderson that the bills be paid as presented. Motion approved.

16. Adjournment

Councilor Mueller moved, seconded by Councilor Urey to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion approved.

Councilor Mueller moved, seconded by Councilor Auchter to adjourn to an executive session to discuss a personnel issue.

17. Press Time

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan T. Eggleston
Borough Secretary
Borough of Greenville

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