

**BOROUGH OF GREEN TREE
COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 5, 2017**

Call to Order / Silence for Meditation / Pledge of Allegiance

Green Tree Borough Council met on Monday, June 5, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the Green Tree Municipal Center, 10 West Manilla Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Mr. Sampogna stated that Council had met in Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss personnel matters.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Mark Sampogna, President of Council
Rino Lindsey
David Lorenzini
John Novak
Ron Panza
David Rea
Arthur Tintori

Also Present:

W. David Montz, Borough Manager
Peter Molinaro, Jr., Borough Solicitor
Colin Cleary, Chief of Police
Deborah Gawryla, Stenographer

Absent:

Edward Schenck, Mayor

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

May 1, 2017

Motion:

Mr. Tintori made a motion, seconded by Mr. Novak, to approve the May 1, 2017 as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

HEARING OF THE CITIZENS

Don Folkmire, 1006 Avacoll Drive

Mr. Folkmire said he had spoken to Council previously about the traffic situation on Avacoll and wanted to know where things currently stood. He said he had spoken to a number of Avacoll residents and wanted to present some of their suggestions. One suggestion was to prohibit a No Right Turn from Carnahan onto Avacoll at any time. Another neighbor asked why VASCAR was not being used on Avacoll when there are lines are painted on the road. Mr. Folkmire noted that some other roads had 15 mph speed limits and wondered if that could be a possibility for Avacoll.

Mr. Montz said that Avacoll is a cut-through for vehicles on workdays. A traffic study had shown that on workdays there are an additional 100-150 cars traveling on Avacoll with the majority of them proceeding all the way along from Carnahan to Pocono along Avacoll. He detailed the findings of the traffic study and suggested that turns onto Avacoll during the evening rush hour be prohibited.

Chief Cleary stated that VASCAR could be used, but a vehicle must be traveling in excess of 10 mph over the speed limit and almost all of the vehicles travel at speeds less than 10 miles over the speed limit. Mr. Rea asked if the police could still pull over motorists who are traveling faster than the speed limit, but less than 10 mph over the posted limit. Chief Cleary replied that

it could be done, but it is a gray area. When asked, Chief Cleary said pulling over a vehicle traveling less than 10 miles over the speed limit could become a confrontational issue because the police cannot write a ticket under those circumstances. Motorists will question why they are have been pulled over if a ticket cannot be written. It can be a difficult situation because of the way the law is written.

MAYOR'S REPORT - Mayor Schenck

Proclamation - Domenic Nerone - Mayor's Award for Community Service

In the absence of Mayor Schenck, Mr. Sampogna read and presented the following proclamation:

"Whereas, Domenic Nerone has accumulated over 450 hours of community service in the Keystone Oaks School District over the past four year, and

Whereas, Domenic's volunteer work includes being a Borough of Green Tree recreational counselor for four years, creating a recycling project where trees were planted in correlation to the weight of recycled materials gathered with the Environmental Club, and serving as President of the Health Careers Club that held fund-raisers and programs for students who are interested in a career in health care, and

Whereas Domenic's activities include Student Senate, peer jury, SADD, FBLA, Junior/Senior Planning Committee, Varsity Wrestling, Varsity Soccer, Varsity Football, and Varsity Volleyball, and

Whereas Domenic plans to attend UPMC's School of Nursing and major in Nursing, a commendable goal, and

Whereas Domenic desires to continue community service in future years,

WITNESS

That by virtue of the power vested in Edward A. Schenck, Mayor of the Borough of Green Tree, he does hereby proclaim and declare Domenic Nerone to be the Green Tree Borough Student Recipient of the Mayor's Award for Community Service."

The audience applauded.

REPORT OF BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMITTEES

A. RECREATION & COMMUNITY AFFAIRS - Mr. Panza

1. General Report

Mr. Panza stated that Green Tree's annual trip to PNC Park to see the Pirates take on the Cubs is scheduled for Saturday, June 17. Tickets are still available.

Mr. Panza said that tickets for the Pirates event, along with other borough-sponsored events, can only be purchased with check or cash. He asked if there was some way the borough could collect fees with credit and/or debit cards. Many people use electronic payments with almost every transaction, and the Octoberfest Committee had asked Mr. Panza to see if the borough would consider accepting electronic payments for its programs and other services. He asked the Finance Committee to look into finding a service to accept credit card payments for borough events and services.

2. Mrs. Nerone, from the audience, said that she takes public transportation to work and catches the bus by Green Tree Park, across from St. Margaret's Church. She said many pedestrians are crossing in this area from Green Tree Park to St. Margaret's across Greentree Road. She asked if pedestrian crossing signals could be installed. She said there is no safe way to cross in this area. Mr. Sampogna said there was a crosswalk button at the Mansfield intersection for people to cross the road. Mrs. Nerone

said she wanted to make Council aware of the situation and how people cross Greentree Road between the entrance to Green Tree Park and St. Margaret's.

B. PUBLIC SAFETY - Mr. Lindsey

1. Authorize Chief of Police to execute Law Enforcement Support Agreement between the Borough of Green Tree and VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System.

Mr. Lindsey said this agreement is to give the police authority on the VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System's property. The VA Healthcare System has an annex office in Parkway Center and they are required to obtain these agreements nationwide with local police departments where they are located.

Motion:

Mr. Lindsey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Novak, to authorize the Chief of Police to execute the law enforcement support agreement between the Borough of Green Tree and the VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Authorize hiring of part-time police officer pursuant to the labor agreement with the Green Tree Police Department.

Mr. Lindsey said the borough is seeking a part-time police officer to provide additional support and coverage, but not to replace any of the full-time officers.

Motion:

Mr. Lindsey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tintori, to authorize the hiring of part-time police officer Michael Blair pursuant to the labor agreement with the Green Tree Police Department, contingent upon passing the required physical, psychological, drug and alcohol testing.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. PLANNING & ZONING - Mr. Lorenzini

1. Ordinance #1776 Approving the editing and inclusion of certain ordinances as parts of the various component codes of the Codified Ordinances of Green Tree in the form of Supplement #10.

Motion:

Mr. Lorenzini made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tintori, to place Ordinance #1776 on first and final reading by title only.

Mr. Lorenzini asked about pages 18-24 in Council's packet that appeared to be incorrectly placed as an addendum to the ordinance. After a discussion, the Solicitor stated that the pages in question were the actual pages that are affected by the codification changes in Ordinance #1776 provided for informational purposes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Molinaro read Ordinance #1776 by title only.

Motion:

Mr. Lorenzini made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rea, to pass Ordinance #1776 on first and final reading by title only.

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Lorenzini	Yes
Mr. Lindsey	Yes
Mr. Panza	Yes
Mr. Novak	Yes
Mr. Rea	Yes
Mr. Tintori	Yes
Mr. Sampogna	Yes

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion:

Mr. Lorenzini made a motion, seconded by Mr. Novak, to authorize the proper officers to sign Ordinance #1776 and that it be advertised according to law.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. General Report

(a) Mr. Lorenzini said the Zoning Hearing Board approved two variance requests. One request was for a backyard fence for a resident and the other request was for MSREP Property Management in Parkway Center #10 for a fence along the property line to provide a secure parking area for the Allegheny County Police.

(b) Mr. Lorenzini said that the next review meeting for the proposed zoning ordinance would be held on Monday, June 26 at 7:30 p.m.

D. FINANCE - Mr. Tintori

1. Motion:

Mr. Tintori made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lindsey, to ratify the actions of the Borough Manager in paying the May 2017 invoices from the General Fund totaling \$53,423.41, Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Fund totaling \$772.28, Payroll Account totaling \$306,071.90, and Educational Service Agency totaling \$7,298.63.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Motion:

Mr. Tintori made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lindsey, to approve payment of the June 2017 invoices from the General Fund totaling \$125,455.59, and Drug Enforcement totaling \$2,970.11.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Motion:

Mr. Tintori made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lindsey, to authorize the Borough Manager to lien the 2016 unpaid real estate taxes.

Mr. Montz said that \$24,518 would be liened in unpaid real estate taxes with a 99% collection rate. When asked, Mr. Montz said that many of those with unpaid real estate taxes are often repeat offenders.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion:

Mr. Tintori made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lindsey, for the exoneration of W. David Montz, Tax Collector, who has paid over or accounted for, according to law, the whole amount of taxes, penalties and interest received and collected that were assessed in duplicate, for the year 2016 in accordance with the laws of Pennsylvania.

Motion carried unanimously.

E. STREETS & PUBLIC HEALTH - Mr. Novak

1. Motion:

Mr. Novak made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rea, to authorize the proper officers to execute contract amendment with Cargill amending the current contract to store rock salt not yet purchased against the eighty percent (80%) minimum purchase requirement for the 2015-2016 winter season.

When asked, Mr. Montz said that the extra rock salt that the borough had purchased for last winter had been delivered to the borough, but this delivery would be held until October or November, and the price would increase by approximately \$1 per ton for Cargill to store it.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Resolution #1241

PennDOT Maintenance Program - providing for reimbursement from PennDOT for mowing of interchanges.

Motion:

Mr. Novak made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tintori, to adopt Resolution #1241 by title only.

Mr. Montz said the borough has been mowing the islands at the PennDOT Parkway cloverleaves for years as part of the Agility Program. The Agility program has become more complicated and the Public Works Director approached PennDOT about paying the borough to continue to mow the Parkway cloverleaves. PennDOT has agreed and this resolution is to approve the agreement.

Mr. Molinaro read Resolution #1241 by title only.

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Novak	Yes
Mr. Rea	Yes
Mr. Tintori	Yes
Mr. Panza	Yes
Mr. Lindsey	Yes

Mr. Lorenzini Yes
 Mr. Sampogna Yes

Motion carried unanimously.

3. 2017 Street and Sewer Maintenance - Awarding of bid and authorization of proper officers to execute the 2017 Street and Sewer Maintenance Contract.

Motion:

Mr. Novak made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lindsey, to award the 2017 street and sewer maintenance contract to Casper Colosimo & Son, Inc.

Mr. Montz requested that the itemized list of maintenance costs in this project be included into the record:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>
Base Repair	CY	\$ 70.00
<u>Concrete Construction</u>		
Concrete Rolled Curb	LF	\$ 80.00
18" Depth Concrete Curb	LF	\$ 38.00
Pinned Curb Repair	LF	\$ 15.00
4" Sidewalk Installation	SF	\$ 10.00
6" Driveway Transition	SF	\$ 13.00
Detectable Warning Devices	Each	\$ 300.00
<u>Asphalt Pavement (patches to 45 SY)</u>		
3.5" Binder	SY	\$ 75.00
2.0" Binder & 1.5" Wearing	SY	\$ 85.00
1.5" Wearing	SY	\$ 70.00
<u>Asphalt Pavement (patches 45 SY to 100 SY)</u>		
3.5" Binder	SY	\$ 70.00
2.0" Binder & 1.5" Wearing	SY	\$ 80.00
1.5" Wearing	SY	\$ 65.00
<u>Asphalt Pavement (Mill & Pave over 100 SY)</u>		
3.5" Binder	SY	\$ 45.00
2.0" Binder & 1.5" Wearing	SY	\$ 70.00
1.5" Wearing	SY	\$ 35.00
Crack Sealing	Lbs.	\$ 4.50
<u>Inlets and Manholes</u>		
Inlet Top Adjustment	VF	\$ 500.00
Manhole Top Adjustment	VF	\$ 500.00
Installation of New Inlet Frame & Grate	Each	\$ 500.00
Installation of New Manhole Frame & Cover	Each	\$ 350.00
Installation of New Lamp Hole Frame & Cover	Each	\$ 200.00
Repair of Brick Structures	SF	\$ 225.00
Replacement of Inlet 0-4' depth	Each	\$1,350.00
Replacement of Inlet 4.1'-8' depth	Each	\$2,100.00
Replacement of Manhole 0-4' depth	Each	\$2,675.00
Replacement of Manhole 4.1'-8' depth	Each	\$5,850.00

Replacement of Manhole 8.1'-12' depth	Each	\$7,500.00
Replacement of Manhole 12.1'-16' depth	Each	\$9,000.00
Outside Drop Installation (8" dia.)	LF	\$ 100.00
Inside Drop Installation (8" dia.)	LF	\$ 50.00
Cement Parging of Structures	SF	\$ 80.00

Sewer Repairs in Pavement - PVC

8" to 12" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 150.00
8" to 12" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 210.00
8" to 12" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 320.00
8" to 12" Pipe - 15' to 29' depth	LF	\$ 400.00

Sewer Repairs in Pavement - RCP

15" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 175.00
15" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 225.00
15" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 335.00
24" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 180.00
24" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 225.00
24" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 335.00
36" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 225.00
36" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 335.00
36" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 590.00
48" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 275.00
48" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 350.00
48" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 600.00

Sewer Repairs in Easements - PVC

8" to 12" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 150.00
8" to 12" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 210.00
8" to 12" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 315.00
8" to 12" Pipe - 15' to 20' depth	LF	\$ 400.00

Sewer Repairs in Easements - RCP

15" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 175.00
15" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 255.00
15" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 335.00
24" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 175.00
24" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 255.00
24" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 320.00
36" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 255.00
36" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 335.00
36" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 590.00
48" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	- - - -
48" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 375.00
48" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 630.00

New Sewer Installations in Pavement - PVC

8" to 12" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 100.00
8" to 12" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 140.00
8" to 12" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 250.00

New Sewer Installations in Pavement - RCP

12" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 105.00
12" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 145.00
12" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 255.00
15" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 125.00
15" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 205.00
15" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 285.00
24" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 130.00
24" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 205.00
24" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 285.00
36" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 135.00
36" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 210.00
36" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 290.00

New Sewer Installations in Easements - PVC

8" to 12" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 100.00
8" to 12" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 160.00
8" to 12" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 265.00

New Sewer Installations in Easements - RCP

12" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 105.00
12" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 165.00
12" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 270.00
15" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 100.00
15" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 180.00
15" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 240.00
24" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 120.00
24" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 180.00
24" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 260.00
36" Pipe - 1' to 4' depth	LF	\$ 125.00
36" Pipe - 4' to 10' depth	LF	\$ 185.00
36" Pipe - 10' to 15' depth	LF	\$ 265.00

Perforated Underdrains

4" Corrugated HDPE Underdrain	LF	\$ 30.00
6" Corrugated HDPE Underdrain	LF	\$ 35.00
Clearing, Grubbing and Site Preparation	SY	\$ 325.00
2 Person Crew Time	Hr.	\$ 295.00
3 Person Crew Time	Hr.	\$ 350.00
4 Person Crew Time	Hr.	\$ 485.00
Traffic Control	Hr.	\$ 215.00
Restoration of Disturbed Areas	SY	\$ 50.00

Mr. Montz said that the borough is routinely videoing sewers and when a problem arises, the borough will know what the repair will cost before digging begins. When asked, Mr. Montz said the Colosimo had been the only bidder on this project.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. General Report

- (a) Mr. Novak reported that the road paving for the year has been completed, except for the micro surfacing.
- (b) Mr. Montz said the borough conducted flow isolation testing at night to determine the amount of ground water getting into the sanitary sewer system. Two areas on Parkedge and one area on Sheldon were done and Council had determined that these areas needed to be lined. Those areas were lined as the borough's demonstration project under the consent decree. Another flow isolation testing was done on these areas after being re-lined and significant improvements were noted in all three of the areas. As a follow up, Three Rivers Wet Weather is working on a uniform way to report these demonstration projects to the EPA and the Allegheny County Health Department. The final report must be filed by the end of the year and the Borough Engineer anticipates having a draft completed in the next month or two. Discussion continued regarding the details of the testing and results.

F. PUBLIC PROPERTY - Mr. Rea

1. General Report

- (a) Mr. Rea reported that the sound wall would be installed at Hale Park in two weeks. Mr. Lorenzini asked if the resident that had brought up the need for the sound wall had been contacted. Mr. Novak replied that he has been in contact with her.
- (b) Mr. Rea said that the new signs for the Municipal Center would be installed next Wednesday.
- (c) Mr. Montz said that the Hollow Oak Land Trust has done preliminary mapping of the Nature Center. An arborist looked at an area of dead trees and felt that the problem was oak wilt, but he is awaiting additional soil tests to come back.
- (d) Mr. Sampogna said that Council christened the newly renovated dek hockey court recently. A hockey stick from this event, signed by all the Council members and Mayor, will be given to the Green Tree Historical Society.

LIAISON REPORTS

A. MRTSA - Mr. Montz

Mr. Montz had nothing to report at this time.

B. Char West COG - Mr. Novak

Mr. Novak stated that Ms. Marilyn Jenkins of the Allegheny County Library Association (ACLA) was the guest speaker at the most recent Char West COG meeting. She spoke about the many library services that are available.

The COG also discussed the possible road paving program, but it does not seem that it will happen this year because there are not enough communities involved in the program. They are hoping it will be bigger and be able to be implemented in the future.

C. Library - Mr. Sampogna

Mr. Sampogna said an offer has been made to someone to fill the assistant librarian position at the library. He hoped that the position could be filled within the next few weeks.

Mr. Sampogna said the library had the following programs coming up at the library:

June 27 - Hair Care for Daughters and Daddies/Mommies.

June 29 - Authors Jessica Strawser and Rebecca Drake.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mr. Sampogna

- A. Mr. Sampogna reported that he and Mr. Montz had met with the Airport Corridor Transportation Authority (ACTA) on May 12 to talk about Last Mile Connectivity to business locations to see if they would be interested in providing it to Green Tree for the hotels and businesses in Foster Plaza. They said they do not have the funding to do it at this time. Mr. Sampogna said the borough would be doing some research with the businesses in Foster Plaza to see what potential there would be for employees to utilize public transportation.
- B. Mr. Sampogna said he had attended the Schools in Green Tree presentation by the Historical Society and found it to be very interesting and educational.
- C. Mr. Sampogna said he had attended the Shredding Event, sponsored by State Representative Dan Deasy and State Senator Wayne Fontana, on May 13.
- D. Mr. Sampogna said that Ms. Ellie Newman, an Allegheny County data analyst, spoke at the most recent CONNECT meeting about obtaining information on liens and other county information. T&F Exploration also spoke about a natural gas purchase agreement opportunity.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT - Mr. Molinaro

Mr. Molinaro had nothing to report at this time.

MANAGER'S REPORT - Mr. Montz

- A. Mr. Lorenzini asked whether a letter had been sent to state representatives regarding legislation seeking to change advertising requirements for municipalities. Mr. Montz said that state legislation is circulating regarding a potential bill to remove the requirement for municipalities to advertise in a local newspaper of general circulation, but to permit it to be done electronically. Council agreed that a letter should be sent to Green Tree's two state representatives in support of such a bill.

Motion:

Mr. Lorenzini made a motion, seconded by Mr. Novak, to authorize the Borough Manager to send a letter to Green Tree's two state representatives in support of proposed state legislation removing the requirement of newspaper advertising for municipal advertising, by permitting electronic notification instead.

Mr. Rea asked if there would be online fees for such a service. Mr. Montz replied that there are plans for a state-run website that would carry such advertising and the costs would be minimal. Mr. Lindsey was concerned about those without internet access. Mr. Sampogna said that more people have internet access than those who read a daily newspaper and such a website would reach a much larger audience. Discussion continued regarding the details of the proposed legislation.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

Mr. Panza made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lindsey, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Sampogna, President

W. David Montz, Manager

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