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BOROUGH OF SWISSVALE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 4, 2015

1. President calls the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. Invocation – Pastor Eric Baldwin, River City Church
3. Pledge of Allegiance – Councilwoman Julie Grose
4. Roll Call – P. Gionta – here, D. Petrarca – here, J. Grose – here, D. Rapp – here, M. Stanton – here, M. Busch – here, Mayor Swartzwelder – here.
5. Public Comment
 - 1) Ernest Kaschauer – 2028 Noble Street – Complaint about Code Enforcement.
 - 2) Tracy Collins – 1720 Tonette Street – Rotary will provide a check of \$1000. toward the children’s summer program.
 - 3) Dana Goldcamp – 1100 Block of Milton Avenue – ongoing issues with parking in alley behind her home in a place clearly marked No Parking. Police have begun to cite the vehicles in violation.
6. Motion to approve Minutes by D. Petrarca of *Regular Council Meeting* held on February 4, 2015 and the *Agenda Meeting* held on February 28, 2015, second by P. Gionta. Motion carried.
7. Agenda Items:
 - 1) Motion made by D. Petrarca to appoint Michael Alder to Swissvale Borough Council to fill the remaining term of office to expire January 2016, second by M. Stanton. Roll Call: P. Gionta-yes, D. Petrarca-yes, D. Rapp-No, M. Stanton-yes, M. Busch-yes, J. Grose-yes. Motion carried.

M. Alder sworn into office by Mayor Swartzwelder. M. Alder asked to sit with Council.
 - 2) Motion by D. Petrarca to approve ***Resolution 15-04***, approving the acquisition and subsequent disposition of a parcel of vacant property know as block and lot number 178-M-96 by the Allegheny County Vacant Property Program in

accordance with the Borough's comprehensive plan. Second by M. Stanton.
Motion carried.

- 3) Motion by M. Stanton to ratify hiring of part time firefighters, Michael Artman, Thomas Daily and Richmond Nye at a rate of \$13.65 per hour. Second by D. Petrarca. Roll Call: P. Gionta-yes, D. Petrarca-yes, D. Rapp-yes, M. Stanton-yes, M. Busch-yes, J. Grose-yes, M. Alder - yes. Motion carried.

8. Finance Report – Motion by M. Stanton to approve:

- Paid Bills as of **February 28, 2015** in the amount of **\$261,896.4**
 - Unpaid Bills as of **February 28, 2015** in the amount of **\$87,782.59**
- Second by P. Gionta. Motion carried.

9. Police Report – P. Gionta – Report on file in Managers office.

10. Code and Fire Report – M. Stanton – Report on file in Managers office.

11. Public Works Report – D. Petrarca – Report on file in Managers office.

- a. Busy month weather related
- b. 2 accidents with Plows, weather related
- c. Looking to replace two trucks that are each 12 yrs old.
- d. 1 plow is down for repairs.
- e. Recycle truck is down for repairs.
- f. Place on website to call office to report potholes in Swissvale.

12. Economics and Development Report – J. Grose – On file in Managers office.

13. CONNECT Report – D. Rapp

- a. Utilities Summit – March 12, 2015

14. Outstanding Complaints Report

- a. Wording for the Ordinance on Permit Parking to extend on South Braddock to be available at 3/28/15 agenda meeting.

15. Recreation Committee Report – Councilman Darrell Rapp

- Saint Bede Athletic Association Field Use Update-Administration staff to contact and apologized for late response
- Woodland Hills Youth Football & Cheerleading Association – Letter sent from Borough office with deposit refund denying future field use for football due to wear and tear on fields.

16. C.O.G. Report – D. Rapp – No Report

17. President's Remarks – M. Busch - None

18. Mayor's Report – Mayor Swartzwelder

- a. Spring Newsletter is available

- b. Note flyer insert for Police canine fundraising event
- 19. Water Authority Report – Anthony Russo Sr. – No Report
- 20. Planning Commission – Veryl Lawson – No Report
- 21. Solicitor Report – Robert McTiernan – No Report
- 22. Engineer Report – Robert Zischkau
 - a. Kenmawr Bridge project moving forward
 - b. Issues with the Washington St. banner poles resolved, new hardware to be installed
 - c. Washington St Bridge project started.
- 23. Borough Manager Report – Clyde Wilhelm
 - a. Motion by D. Petrarca to allow RFP to be issued for DCED Early Intervention Program Consultants. Second by P. Gionta. Motion carried.
- 24. Unfinished Business - None
- 25. New Business – None
- 26. Motion to adjourn meeting by P. Gionta and second by M. Stanton. Motion carried.
- 27. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.