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**BOROUGH OF SWISSVALE  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 3, 2023  
7:00 p.m.**

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:06 p.m.
2. ROLL CALL – Present: C. Ansell; W. Scales; S. Alfonso Wells; J. Miser; F. Quinn; A. Stribling; Mayor Swartzwelder.
  - Absent: W. Price
3. PUBLIC COMMENT
  - a. None
4. MEET THE POLICE!
  - a. Det. John Corrado
5. COUNCIL ACTIONS
  - a. Minutes
    1. MOTION: I move to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2023, Council Agenda Meeting and the March 1, 2023 Council Meeting.
      - i. Moved by J. Miser, 2<sup>nd</sup> by S. Alfonso Wells. All Ayes, Motion carries.
  - b. Finance
    1. MOTION: I move to approve the Borough of Swissvale paid bills in the amount of \$760,323.97.
      - i. Moved by S. Alfonso Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by A. Stribling. All Ayes, Motion carries.
  - c. Planning/Zoning
    1. MOTION: I move to approve the Conditional Use request by Top Tier Venues to operate a Catering Hall/Event Venue at 1703 Monongahela Avenue with the conditions contained in Section 406.10A of the Swissvale Borough Zoning

Ordinance (#17-01) and an additional condition that the venue closes by 9:00 p.m., Sunday thru Thursday and 11:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

- i. Moved by A. Stribling, 2<sup>nd</sup> by F. Quinn. All Ayes, Motion carries.
- ii. Comments by S. Alfonso Wells concerning parking.
- iii. Comments by W. Scales about the importance of minority businesses and giving back to the community.

d. Reports

- i. C.O.G. Report – Weldianne Scales
  - a. The last meeting was held virtually on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - b. The ALOM conference is coming up on April 13<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. There is a Police Chief meeting April 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - d. Annual police training requirements are mandated by the state.
    - i. Chief Watson commented on the Swissvale Police Department’s extensive training.
- ii. CONNECT Report – Shawn Alfonso Wells
  - a. The LEAD program is continuing. Swissvale has begun instituting the program. They are starting to direct clients to resources and finding a location to meet.
- iii. Building Committee Report
  - a. See Borough Manager’s Report.
- iv. President’s Report – Chris Ansell
  - a. Council will meet in executive session following the meeting for issues of personnel.
  - b. C. Ansell wished a Happy Holy Week and Passover to those celebrating.
  - c. C. Ansell and G. Bachy held a meeting with Greenedge and Duquesne light. They are continuing to work out a contract for the Borough charging stations.
- v. Mayor’s Report – Deneen Swartzwelder
  - a. The 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be April 8<sup>th</sup> at noon.
  - b. There will be a Flower Planting at 9 am on May 6<sup>th</sup> at the parkway garden. SEDCO is sponsoring the flower site.
  - c. The Farmers Market begins its 10<sup>th</sup> year in June at Dickson STEAM Academy. New Hours – 9 am – 2 pm.
  - d. There is a 125 Anniversary Celebration Planning Meeting on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at 1913 McCague Street.
- vi. Borough Manager’s Report – Greg Bachy
  - a. The advertisement for bids for the demolition and asbestos abatement for the municipal building is planned in mid-April, with bid opening on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

- b. Construction for the Borough building is planned to go out to bid in mid-June.
  - c. The DPW building renovations are out to bid. Bid opening is April 11<sup>th</sup>.
  - d. The Police Committee will be conducting a Part-Time police officer interview via zoom on April 12<sup>th</sup> at noon.
  - e. Penn Dot is having a virtual Field View Meeting for the parkway resurfacing project.
  - f. The Borough is waiting for additional bids for the purchase of garbage trucks.
  - g. The Litter Collection Clean up Day, collecting litter is April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30 am at the DPW Garage at McCague Street.
- vii. Borough Engineer's Report – Robert Zischkau
    - a. Not present. Report is on file in the Borough Manager's Office.
  - viii. Water Authority Report – Tracey Crombie-Collins
    - a. Online payment accounts must set up new payment accounts after April 1<sup>st</sup>. Autopay and paperless billing will be temporarily unavailable.
    - b. PENNVEST Lead Line Replacement continues. A total of 134 replacements were completed in Swissvale.
    - c. There was one (1) main line break in Swissvale. There were 39 service repairs in Swissvale.
  - ix. Solicitors Report – Robert McTiernan
    - a. Mr. McTiernan provided the legal clearance letter for the release of fund for the demolition of 2115 – 2117 Noble Street to Allegheny County.
  - x. New Business
    - a. S. Alfonso Wells reminded residents that street sweeping has started.
    - b. S. Alfonso Wells asked residents to watch for spotted lantern flies and dispose of them.
    - c. W. Scales announced that Juneteenth is coming up. Invited the community to support the event through sponsorship, donations, vending and volunteering.
    - d. W. Scales asked for an extension to the deadline for applications for the Human Relations Commission. Council agreed to extend the deadline until April 30<sup>th</sup>.
6. Motion to adjourn at 8:07 p. m. Moved by S. Alfonso Wells, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Miser. All Ayes, Motion carries.