

BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE

FOURTH & "B" STREETS

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GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

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Reorganization & Regular Meeting

PLACE: Municipal Bldg. **DATE:** January 6, 2014 **TIME:** 7:30 pm

Mayor Edward administered the oath of office to all newly elected Borough officials prior to the meeting. Duly sworn were, Council members Joseph Kessler and Rick Miller. Tax Collector, Elizabeth Dougherty was sworn in prior to the meeting and handed in copies of her oath of office and Certificate of Election. The Mayor chaired the meeting for purposes of reorganizing.

OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Edward Burns.

The floor was opened for nominations.

Nomination opened for Council President. Motion to nominate C. Marquardt made by J. Catizone, second H. Brennan. No other nomination. Voice vote. All. Motion carried.

The Mayor passed the chair to C. Marquardt.

Nominations opened for Vice-President. Motion to nominate J. Catizone made by R. Miller, second H. Brennan. No other nominations. Voice vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for Secretary/Treasurer. Motion to appoint Mary Ambrose made by J. Catizone, second H. Brennan. Voice vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for Borough Solicitor. Motion to appoint Christopher Riedlinger made by H. Brennan, second J. Catizone. Voice vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for Chairman of the Vacancy Board. Motion to appoint Vytus Karavage, J. Catizone, and H. Brennan. Motion made by R. Miller, second J. Catizone. Voice vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for the Bank Depository. Motion to use National Penn Bank made by H. Brennan, second R. Miller. Voice vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2014-1 stating the officers for the bank files as follows: Council President, Vice-president and Secretary/Treasurer appointing the made by H. Brennan, second J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2014 -2 making National Penn Bank the Borough's main depository made by H. Brennan, second J. Catizone. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Nominations for NSLA representative and alternate. Motion to appoint as the NSLA representative J. Catizone and R. Miller as the alternate made by H. Brennan second J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for Code enforcement Officer. Motion to appoint Jeffrey Wilson made by J. Catizone, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for Permit Officer. Motion to appoint made by H. Brennan, second J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for Engineer. Motion to appoint Donald Cuff, Entech Engineering, Inc. made by H. Brennan, second J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for Sewer Enforcement Officer. Motion to appoint Larson Design Group made by R. Miller, second J. Catizone. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for NS COG representative and alternate. Motion to appoint H. Brennan as the NS COG representative and alternate J. Kessler. Motion made by J. Catizone second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. Motion carried.

Nomination for Environmental Certifying officer – usually Council President. Motion to appoint C. Marquardt made J. Catizone, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for Fire Chief. Motion to appoint F. Zangari made by H. Brennan second J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for outside permit enforcement. Motion to appoint Building Inspections Underwriters, Inc. outside permit enforcement made by H. Brennan, second J. Catizone. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Nomination for the Tax Collection Committee. Motion to appoint H. Brennan representative, and J. Kessler alternate made by J. Catizone, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Committees will be set at a future meeting.

Request by Secretary/Treasurer to have the 2013 books audited by the Deegan Corp made by J. Catizone, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

List of regular bills pre-approved to be paid monthly, quarterly submitted. Motion to approve the list for regular payment made by R. Miller, second H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes as submitted made by H. Brennan second J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Motion to accept the report as read made by H. Brennan, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Mayor's report: Report read by Mayor Burns. Mayor Burns stated that he received compliments from the District Justice as well as a State Trooper. They said we are doing a good job. Motion to accept the report as read made by R. Miller second H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Permit Officer's report: None.

Code Officer's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by R. Miller, second H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Fire Chief's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by J. Catizone, second H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve the annual Fire Chief agreement to remain the same at last year made by H. Brennan, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Service Electric Ordinance # 2014 – 1 granting a franchise. Motion made by H. Brennan, second J. Catizone. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

BILLS

Motion to approve the bill list as submitted made by R. Miller second H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

NS COG – meeting January 22nd, Mahanoy Township

PA Dept. of Auditor – received the Liquid Fuels Audit

J. Wayne – request for extension of license for Parade Day. Motion to allow made by J. Catizone, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Parade Committee – request for permission to hold parade, March 22, 2014. Motion to allow made by H. Brennan, second J. Catizone. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous.

FLOOR

Mrs. E. Labie, 334 A Street – She questioned a big pile of snow on the 600 block of East Mahanoy Avenue. There is an ordinance requiring the snow be removed and it was just left there. E. Burns told her that this matter will be taken care of as it had been discussed just before the meeting.

She also said that the recycling center is sometimes left in quite a mess with things that should not even be there. She asked if anyone was ever cited for this. C. Marquardt said that yes, people have been cited.

R. Krick said that according to last month's financial report there was \$14,000 in bills and \$2,000 in the bank. This month \$15,000 worth of bills and \$4,000 in the bank. Does anybody know the number of how much money is owed by the borough? M. Ambrose said that it is approximately \$15,000 deficit. R. Krick asked if there was any adjustment made to the budget to address that. C. Marquardt said that it has not been addressed but we have applied for a tax anticipation note. It was addressed by raising taxes. Then the question of how much money the borough would see from the increase. Council was not sure but thought it was about \$10,000. R. Krick then said you are getting \$10,000 but you are already are \$14,000 in the hole.

Linda Catizone – you are addressing permits for the parade but what about the permits for general solicitor's i.e. electric companies. E. Burns said we have an ordinance and they can come to Borough hall for one. The price currently stands at \$50.00.

Mary Beth Dougherty, 355 W. Main Street - She asked that Council address the problem with the new police car and a fire extinguisher. There are rumors all around town concerning this. Apparently we are entering 2014 with a deficit and we are looking for answers. E. Burns said that an Officer was backing into the garage when the extinguisher went off. He jumped out as fast as he could to do what he had to do. The fire

extinguisher was never taken to a professional. J. Catizone said it was a borough extinguisher that was put in the back of the car. I guess from moving around the pin came out. M.B. Dougherty said it was an accident. J. Catizone said from what he understood, yes, it was an accident.

Motion to adjourn made by H. Brennan, second J. Catizone.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Ambrose, Secretary/Treasurer

REORGANIZATION

Monday- January 6, 2014

- 1) Oaths of office administered NOTE: see oathcoun.doc

Mayor chairs meeting for reorganization – opens with pledge of allegiance, calls for roll call, and then calls for nominations for Council president. Once a council president is elected the mayor passes the chair

- 2) Nominations & elections of officers
 President, Vice-President

APPOINTMENTS

- 1) Secretary/Treasurer
- 2) Borough Solicitor
- 3) Chairman of Vacancy Board
- 4) Bank Depository – Resolution 2014-2 naming National Penn Bank as a Borough Depository - Must pass resolution stating officers for bank files.
- 5) NSLA representative and alternate
- 6) Code Enforcement Officer
- 7) Permit officer
- 8) Engineer
- 9) Sewer Enforcement Officer – Larson Design Group
- 10) NS COG representative and alternate
- 11) Fire Chief - agreement see new business
- 12) Environmental Certifying Officer – usually Council President
- 13) Outside permit enforcement – Building Inspection Underwriters

14) TCC representative and alternate

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BUSINESS

Resolutions – 2014-1 – Appointing the Council President, Vice-president, Secretary/Treasurer. Motion to adopt

Set Committees: Finance, Police, Streets, Parks/Recreation, Recycling, School building, Personnel

POLICE:

STREETS:

RECREATION:

SCHOOL:

FINANCE:

RECYCLING:

PERSONNEL:

BUILDING CODE/Q of L:

List of regular bills to be paid monthly -- quarterly. Motion to allow same.

Secretary must ask for permission to have books audited.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Approval of Reports (as available)

- a. Minutes
- b. Treasurer's report
- c. Tax collector's report and motion to pay the Tax collector (if available)
- d. Mayor/Police report
- e. Permit Officer's report (if available)
- f. Code Enforcement officer's report (if available)
- g. Fire Chief's report (if available)

Unfinished Business

- a.

New Business (including introduction of ordinances and resolutions)

- a. Fire Chief agreement (print after President, VP appointed)
- b. Service Electric ordinance

Review and authorization to pay bills
Transfer funds from General to School fund

Correspondence

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Miscellaneous

Reports of Committees, Council members and Solicitor (see folder)

Open floor to public comment.

Motion to adjourn

Next Meeting: February 13, 2014

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH

Bills to be approved for January 2014

GENERAL FUND

Aqua Pennsylvania	HYDRANTS	\$ 912.30
Aqua Pennsylvania	Boro Hall	\$ 14.97
AT&T		\$ -
Verizon	wireless	\$ 64.98
Verizon		\$ 282.31
Berkheimer	EIT/LST	\$ 104.44
GAMA		\$ 48.00
Geisinger Health Plan		\$ 2,998.14
Mary Ambrose	Gas	\$ 20.00
Central Oil	1) 1021.52	\$ 1,021.52
Gene's Auto		\$ 40.02
Entech Engineering		\$ 2,315.00
PA L&I	fire comp	\$ 1,459.00
North Schuylkill Transfer Station		\$ 23.47
PP&L	Park Light	\$ 38.37
PSAB	dues	\$ 204.00
Premium Assignment	5 of 10	\$ 921.40
Chris Reidlinger		\$ 2,465.00
USDA	Loan payment	\$ 1,556.00
Wayne Plumbing	Service burner	\$ 70.00
Wright Express		\$ 519.29
TOTAL DUE GENERAL FUND		\$ 15,078.21

MOTOR FUND

Hellers Gas		\$ 592.71
Direct Energy	street lights	\$ 1,120.53
TOTAL DUE MOTOR FUND		\$ 1,713.24

SCHOOL FUND

Heller Gas	1) 162.71	\$ 162.71
GAMA		\$ 46.00
Direct Energy		\$ 119.02
TOTAL DUE SCHOOL FUND		\$ 327.73

APPROVED BY COUNCIL: _____ DATE: _____

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING SIGN IN SHEET JANUARY 2014

	NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
1	Edna Labre	334 W St.	
2	Thomasina	613 E. Mah. Ave	
3	Julee Ruthe	116 "N" St	
4	Grace Engh	27 W Ogden St.	
5	Myron Hart		
6	Emile Scharf		
7	Daniel O'Connell	48 Railroad St	
8	Michelle O'Connell	45 William	
9	Robert Rich	1 West Main St	
10	Spencer Puffer	246 W. 2nd St.	
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SPECIAL MEETING

PLACE: Municipal Bldg.

DATE: January 31, 2014

TIME: 2:30 PM

OPEN MEETING

Open – Pledge lead by C. Marquardt

ROLL CALL

Members present: H. Brennan, J. Kessler, C. Marquardt, R. Miller

Mayor E. Burns, Solicitor C. Riedlinger

Members absent: J. Catizone

PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of the meeting is to hire new police officers and general purposes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments.

BUSINESS

C. Marquardt stated that the Council has two (2) applications which were reviewed by the Police committee and the police department for consideration.

Nicholas Savllo – motion to hire made by R. Miller, second H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Rhonda Shelak – motion to hire made by H. Brennan, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Both are to be hired with a probationary period of ninety (90) days the salary to be for thirty (30) day each - \$13.00/\$14.00/15.00. The officers will be reviewed at the end of the ninety (90) days with the possibility of an increase no higher than the current rate of pay for part-time police officers. Motion to fix the probation period and pay made by H. Brennan, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

J. Kessler and H. Brennan want to make certain changed to the current job application. They wish to remove the question: Have you been convicted of a felony within the last 7 years? It is to be changed to read: Have you ever been charged with or convicted of any criminal offense other than a traffic offense?

And they wish to make the references more job specific. It is to read: Professional References/Relationship to the applicant/Years Affiliated. After some discussion Council agreed. Motion to make the changes to the job application made by R. Miller, second J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

There is a recommendation from the Mayor to remove J. Borchick as OIC due to scheduling conflicts with his current schedule. Motion J. Kessler, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

There is a recommendation from the Mayor that we ask for the resignations of Officer Borchick and Officer K. Schauer. Due to conflicting schedules they cannot work at time we need them. Motion to request resignation letters and that they return all borough property made by R. Miller, second H. Brennan.

Letters to be sent from the Borough.

Motion to adjourn meeting to go into an executive session made by H Brennan, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Council returned and stated they discussed personnel matters which have not been resolved at this time.

Respectfully submitted
Mary Ambrose
Secretary/Treasurer

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OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by C. Marquardt.

ROLL CALL

Members present: H. Brennan, J. Catizone, J. Kessler, C. Marquardt, and R. Miller
Mayor E. Burns, Solicitor C. Riedlinger.

Charles Marquardt introduced Mr. Frank Shiffer, Schuylkill Community Action and Mr. Champ Holman, Deputy Secretary, DCED.

First Mr. Holman spoke, congratulating this council and thanking them on behalf of the Governor or Pennsylvania on continuing this project. You began several years ago with the help of Senator Rhoades to rid our communities of blight. The program began with knocking down a block of houses in the borough, replacing them with three new family homes. We have built several homes in this community as well as Shenandoah and Mahanoy City, Pottsville and continue in Girardville This is a program you can be proud of which helps your community. From the Departments point of view, after tonight, is to see if we can add approximately \$500,000 to one million dollars to the grant towards the program with the help of Schuylkill Community Action. Again I wanted to congratulate you and thank you for your participation in this program and to thank the borough residents for their support of this program. At this time he introduced Frank Shiffer.

Then Mr. Frank Shiffer spoke about the project in detail. There are attachments to the minutes regarding this project. They are detailed pictures and dimensions.

'WEST MAIN STREET, GIRARDVILLE' RENTAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Throughout the years SCA has developed several community revitalization initiatives in partnership with the County of Schuylkill, the Schuylkill County Redevelopment Authority, and the Borough of Girardville to eliminate abandoned/

blighted structures while providing safe, decent, and affordable homeownership and rental opportunities.

SCA would like to continue investment on the main thoroughfare in the Borough of Girardville by continuing community revitalization efforts to eliminate blight. The 'West Main Street, Girardville' project is located in the center of town on Route 547 Main Street. Schuylkill Community Action began community revitalization efforts in the Borough in 2008 with the Schuylkill Community Revitalization Initiative (SCRI). Four vacant and deteriorated commercial buildings were acquired and razed. Three new constructions, single-family homes were built and sold to low-to-moderate income families. In 2009, Schuylkill Community Action participated in the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) and acquired an additional three vacant and deteriorated commercial buildings. In their place, two new constructions, single-family homes and a three-unit, townhouse-style, rental building was constructed. **In partnership with the Borough of Girardville and the County of Schuylkill in the SCRI and NSP programming, SCA acquired seven (7) blighted parcels; demolished seven (7) vacant and deteriorated commercial buildings; constructed and sold five (5) homeownership projects; and completed a new construction rental development project serving three (3) very-low income households. Schuylkill Community Action has administered and invested over \$1.7 million of public funding into the community revitalization programming in the Borough since 2008.** Public funding to support the community revitalization initiatives included HOME, HRA, LGMRDP, HOPE 3 Rollover, NSP, CDBG, Act 137, and Program Income.

Approval of funding will enable the Borough of Girardville, County of Schuylkill, and Schuylkill Community Action to continue community revitalization efforts within the Borough. Approval of grant requests will support the reclamation of eight (8) blighted parcels through demolition of deteriorated commercial structures (2) and residential garages (2). Acquisition is complete for the project as the Borough of Girardville has acquired all eight (8) parcels. SCA is proposing the new construction of six (6) affordable townhouse-style rental units including two ground floor apartments that will benefit persons with a disability. Total Program costs are estimated at \$1.2 million.

The 'West Main Street' project will be highly leveraged with public, local and private monies. SCA submitted a Keystone Communities Program grant in the amount of \$500,000 on January 17, 2014. SCA is in the process of developing a federal *HOME* Program application to support the project. It is anticipated that submission of the Request for Proposal for *HOME* funding will be submitted shortly after this Public Meeting.

Schuylkill Community Action has fully committed \$106,736.58 of Program Income from a recent Local Government Municipal Resources and Development Grant (Contract #C000020757). SCA has been given approval by PA DCED and the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Schuylkill to retain and reinvest the Program Income in an effort to continue community revitalization and development of affordable housing projects. This Program Income was derived from the sale of several

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homeownership projects that were primarily funded by the Local Government Municipal Resources and Development Grant.

The 'West Main Street' project has been approved for participation in the Schuylkill County Demolition Program. Primarily funded with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds through the Schuylkill County entitlement, the County Demolition Program will provide seventy-five percent (75%) of the cost of demolition. The cost of demolition has been estimated at \$80,000 which computes to a \$60,000 investment of CDBG funds by the County of Schuylkill to complete the demolition activity.

The Borough of Girardville intends to apply for Affordable Housing Trust Funds (Act 137) to support the project. It is anticipated that the Borough will apply for \$40,000 in Act 137 funds during the 2014 funding round. The 2014 funding announcement will be made in July 2014.

The proposed 'West Main Street' project will provide great 'Impact' to the affected neighborhood and the municipality at-large. The current site of the proposed Girardville project has been a major blight on the main thoroughfare of the Borough for several years. The proposed Girardville project consists of eight (8) adjoining parcels (106-118 West Main Street) where a fire destroyed five (5) homes in February 2011. The Borough has completed acquisition of the eight (8) parcels and has been approved as a participant in the Schuylkill County Demolition Program whereby the remaining structures will be razed. The Borough will be transferring ownership of the parcels to SCA to develop a six-unit townhouse-style building for lower-income individual and families.

The 'West Main Street' project occurs on the coattails of several community revitalization efforts in the Borough of Girardville administered by Schuylkill Community Action and Upper Schuylkill, Inc. Girardville PRIDE (Partners for Revitalization with Interest in Downtown Expansion) was formally incorporated in 2004 and was a member of Upper Schuylkill, Inc., a PA State designated Regional Main Street Program. This grassroots organization structured itself according to the Four-Point Main Street Approach. Girardville PRIDE is a stellar example of a determined and adaptable community-based non-profit group fighting to organize and bring about active community advocacy efforts to positively affect change in its local community. Girardville PRIDE'S foremost priority was the creation of a healthy downtown. Some of the accomplishments of Girardville Pride were a facade improvement program; a business recruitment and retention program; and downtown beautification including trash receptacles, flower planters, and planting of trees within the sidewalks.

Regular Meeting

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Mr. Stephen Barrett, AOH asked that he be able to briefly address Council and the meeting to talk about the upcoming St. Patrick's Day parade. He introduced himself as the chairman of the parade along with Joseph Wayne. He talked about having approximately five divisions with 70 – 80 entries. The theme this year is support of our schools past and future. The local school districts will have entries in the parade. This year the focus will be on the security of the parade. He noted the web site has a lot of information there and is there for anyone. He thanked Council for all the help and hoped that the residents enjoy themselves.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Minutes: Motion to accept the Regular meeting minutes of the previous meeting and Special meeting made by H. Brennan, seconded by R. Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Motion to accept the two reports made by J. Catizone, seconded by H. Brennan. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Tax Collector's report: Motion to accept the report and pay the tax collector made by, R. Miller seconded by H. Brennan. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Mayor's report: E. Burns introduced Officer Nick Saullo. Read by E. Burns. Motion to accept report as read made by H. Brennan, seconded by J. Catizone. Vote. All. Motion carried. Officer Mel Tomeo needs to attend school for updates for \$59.40. Motion to allow made by H. Brennan, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Permit Officer's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by J. Catizone, seconded by H. Brennan. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Catizone. Vote. All. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Costars – contract for salt. Motion to purchase 44 tons of salt for the 2014-2015 season made by J. Catizone, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Direct Energy – motion to accept and sign new contract made by J. Catizone, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Tax Claim Bureau – sale of properties – 627 E Mahanoy Avenue - Deed R Us LLC, Las Vegas, 304 W Main Street, 15 W Ogden Street, 3 W Ogden Street – ARH Properties, Mount Pleasant, PA, 25 South Line Street, 153 W Preston Avenue – Schuylkill County Properties, Enola PA. Motion to allow made by H. Brennan, seconded by J. Catizone. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Safety Committee – tabled

Keystone Communities Program – grant previously submitted related to the special meeting. Already submitted.

Resolution # 2014 – 3 – raising the rated for vendors/soliciting, amending Ordinance 2012-1 Motion made to adopt made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

PA DOT – Snow emergency route. J. Catizone said that after this winter Council would be looking into the possibility of making Main Street a snow emergency route allowing PADOT to plow curb to curb. Some of the other streets in the borough for plowing.

Resignation submitted by Officer D. Weikel. Motion to accept made by H. Brennan, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? J. Catizone asked if the other part council had agreed to going to happen. E. Burns said yes. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Letter from Officer J. Borchick stating he turned in everything. Motion to request he submit a resignation letter due to scheduling conflicts made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. All. Motion carried.

Resignation submitted by Officer Douglas Litwhiler. Motion to accept made by J. Catizone, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to hire Tommy J. Brown as a part-time police officer made by H. Brennan, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion made by H. Brennan to make Officer Mel Tomeo a part-time Chief of Police seconded by J. Catizone. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

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Motion by R. Miller, seconded by H. Brennan to place the following on the Federal Surplus Supply updated list of names: E. Burns, C. Marquardt, J. Catizone, and J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to update the payroll program though Intuit made by J. Catizone, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint R. Miller as an assistant code enforcement officer without compensation made by J. Catizone, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? There is a letter on file where R. Miller abstains from this vote. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to pay Officer M. Tomeo for his time off due to an administrative leave because of the incident made by J. Catizone, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

BILLS

Motion to approve the bill list as submitted and read was made by J. Catizone, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

PA Department of Labor & Industry – notice of eligibility for the solvency program.

Service Electric – letter acknowledging Ordinance #2014- 1.

Copy of Ford extended service plan.

Zion Lutheran Church – letter asking for escrow funds for demolition. Motion to allow made by H. Brennan, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

DEP – letter concerning Ellison oil leak.

Solicitor C. Riedlinger – letter concerning Michael Cope.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police: Nothing.

Street: J. Catizone wanted to thank everyone who volunteered time to plow and clear the streets. Snow is being tossed back out onto the streets so we will have to begin doing something about that.

Finance: Nothing

School Building: The door at the East end of the hallway has been moved. We are getting some rentals. Also, the leaks have to be stopped as it will ruin the floor otherwise. E. Burns said that Biddy will sit down with J. Kessler and discuss how to help out more financially.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mary Beth Dougherty, 335 W Main Street – had a question on why the School Building bills are so high at \$3158.00. It seems the building is bleeding the borough dry. She asked why there is no transfer from the general fund for this. The Secretary attempted to answer this and was told the question was addressed to Council. R. Miller said they are bills from last year. She then asked why they are paying bills from last year because it is March. She then asked why we stopped doing rentals. She was told, we did not stop the rentals, they stopped coming. How are the bills being paid? She was told General Funds are used. She then said it is improper and should be done each time.

Robert Krick, 1 W Main Street – he asked the ramifications of the Borough appointing a Chief of Police? The solicitor noted that a part-time officer do not have the same protections and rights as full-time officers. R. Krick said he did not know about making one part-time but a police chief is a Borough official as well as an employee. You open yourself to being sued as a Borough official as well under police liability. The solicitor said he did not believe a part-time officer would rise to that level.

On another note, how much money is taken in by the permits for the parade and is a report given to the Borough. E. Burns said approximately \$3500.00. Hopefully it will be more this year. Previously no reports have been given but it would be a good idea this year. R. Krick noted that the Borough should collect the money and pay the bills so that there is an accounting. Both R. Krick and M.B Dougherty said that they needed to take some blame for the lack of accounting when they sat on Council but the fact is that the Borough is broke and perhaps needs to look again at the way they do things.

Motion to adjourn made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Catizone. Vote. All. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ambrose
Secretary/Treasurer



COMING SOON - - FEBRUARY 2015

FOUR TOWNHOMES FOR RENT

AND

**TWO SINGLE FLOOR HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE
APARTMENTS.**



106-118 WEST MAIN STREET, GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

This affordable housing project is made possible by: PA Department of Community & Economic Development, US HUD, County of Schuylkill, Borough of Mahanoy City, and Schuylkill Community Action

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 Bedrooms• Full Bathroom• Kitchen/Dining Room• Living Room• 1200 Sq Ft Living Space | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "NEW" Washer/Dryer• "NEW" Refrigerator• "NEW" Electric Range• Ceiling Fans• Wall-to-wall Carpeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fire sprinkler system• Energy Efficient• Ready to occupy in February 2015• Eligibility requirements are in effect to qualify |
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CONTACT:

Schuylkill Community Action
225 North Centre Street
Pottsville, PA 17901

Joan M. Wood/Housing Counselor-Manager



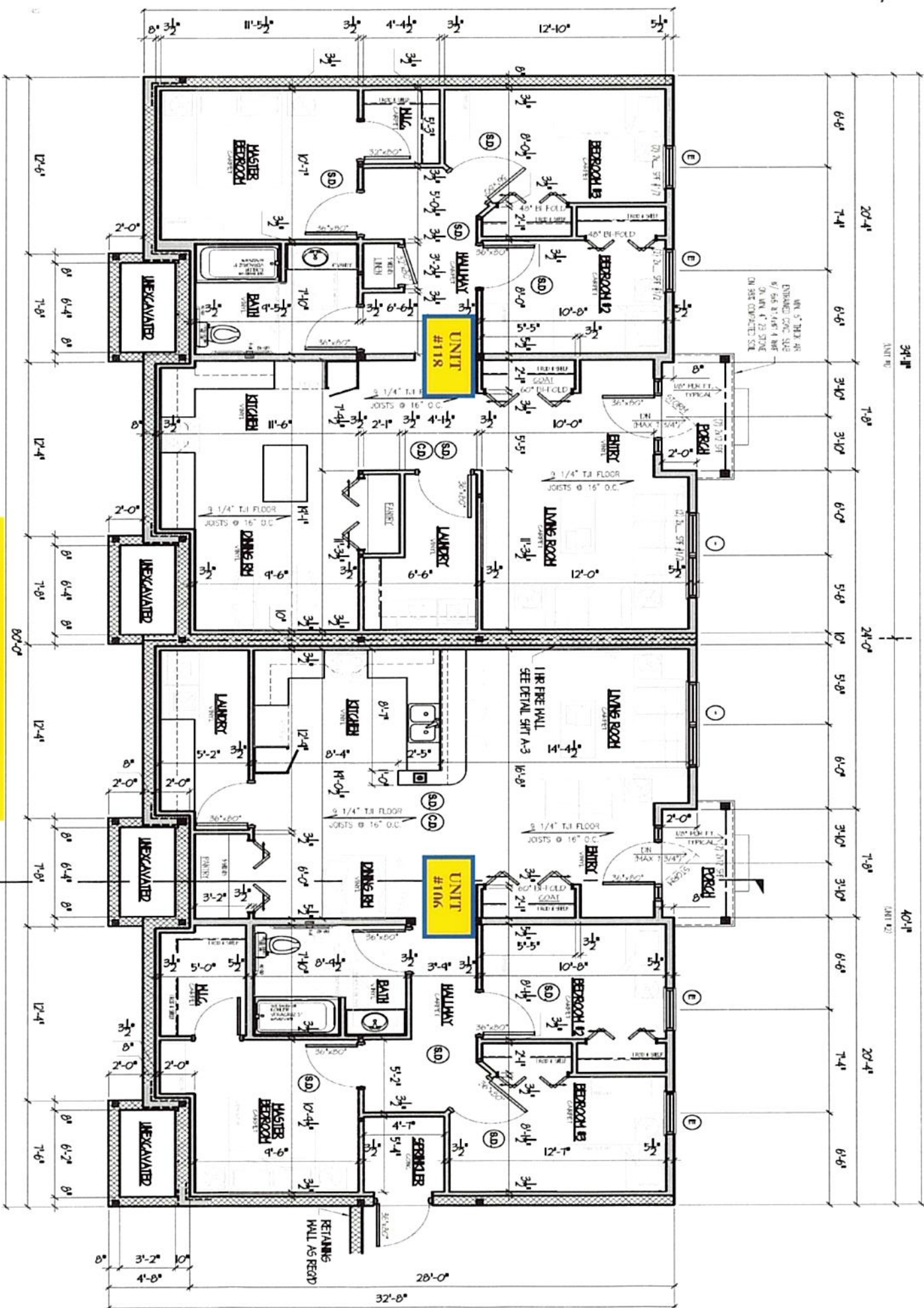
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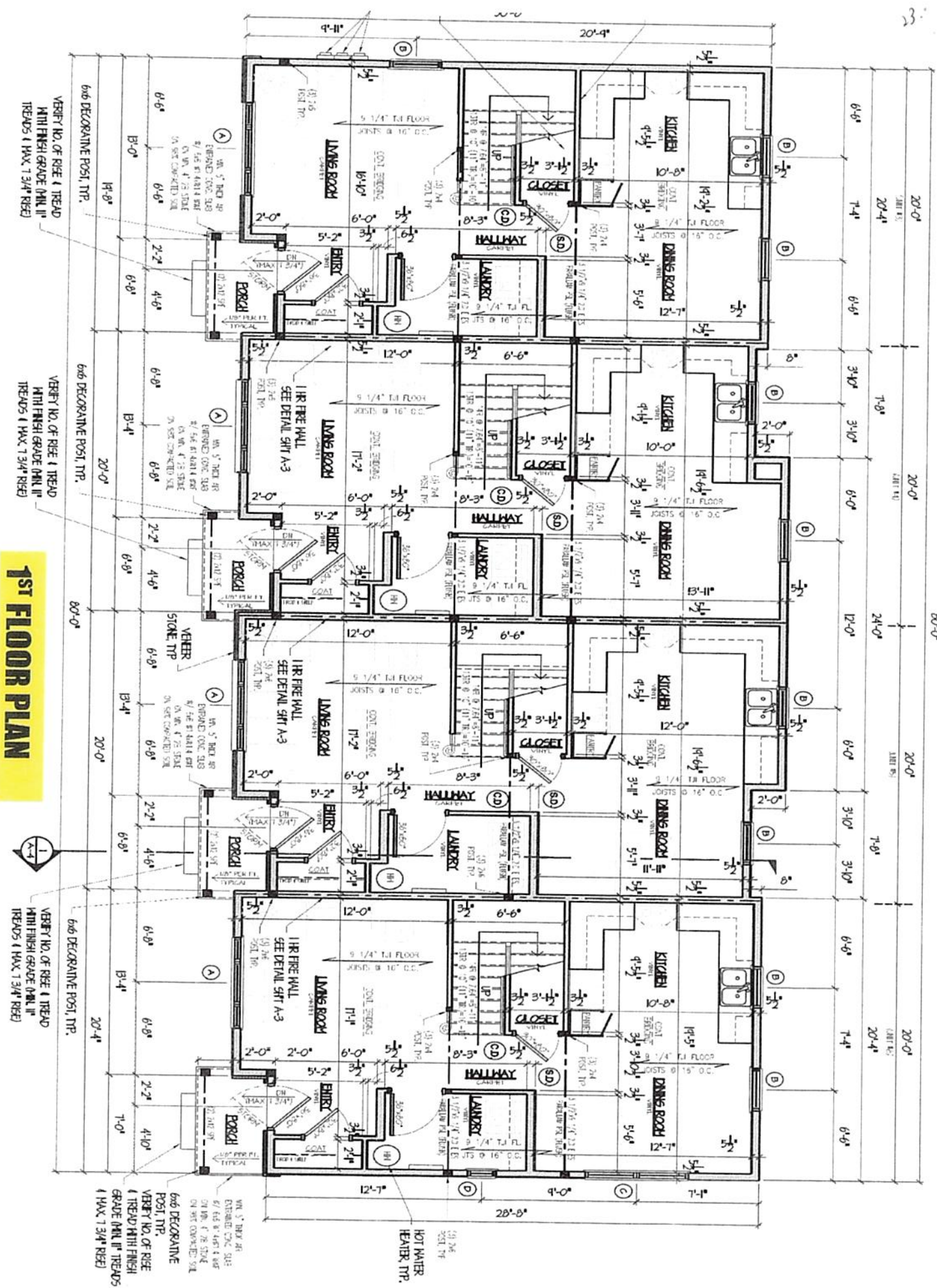
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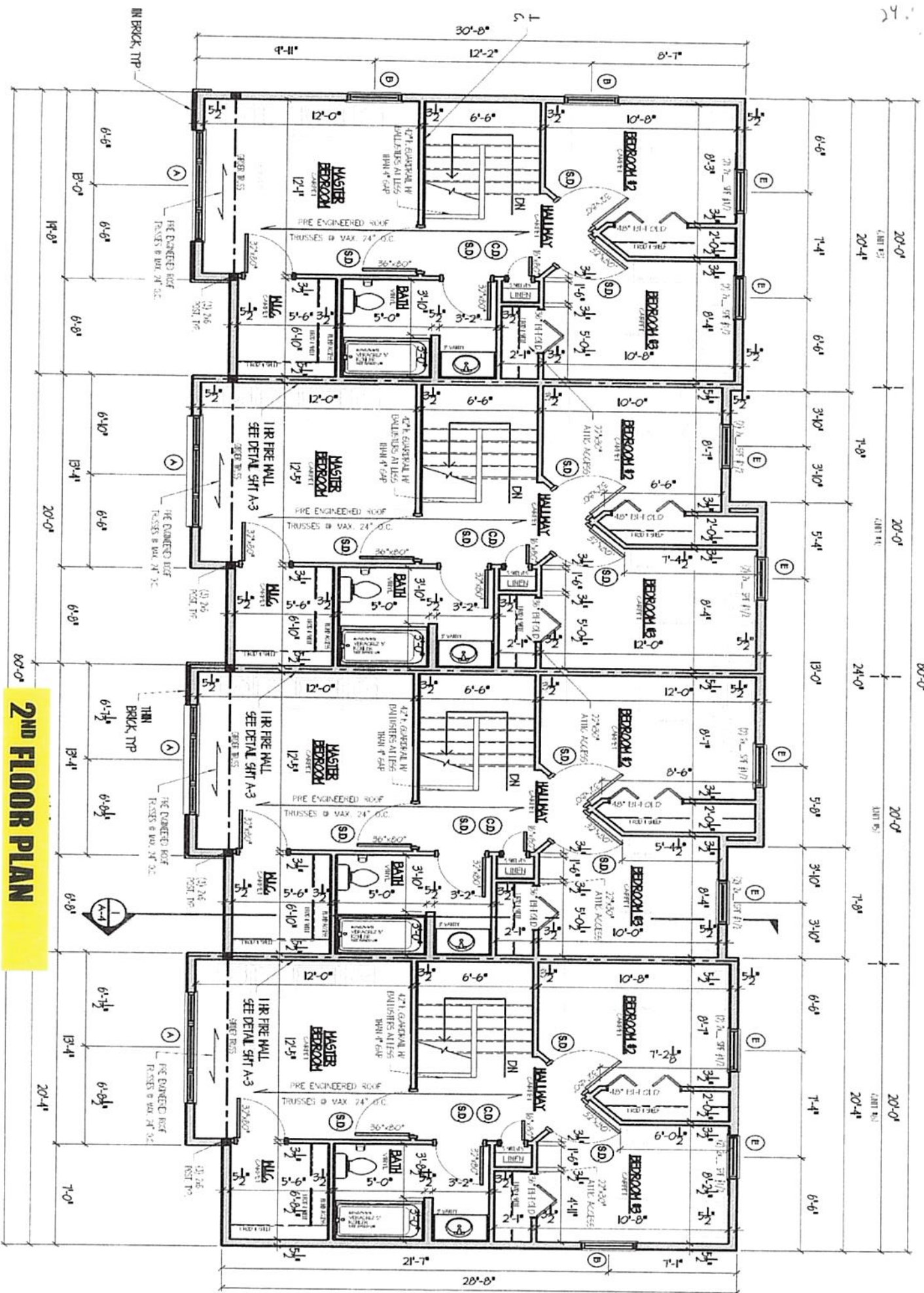


SCHEME 'A' UNIT

LOWER LEVEL PLAN

SCHEME 'B' UNIT





2ND FLOOR PLAN

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BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE
GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

Special Meeting – 7:30 PM

Discuss the building project West Main Street – F. Schiffer, Schuylkill Community Action

MEETING AGENDA: March 13, 2014

1. Pledge/Roll call
2. Approval of Reports (as available)
 - a. Minutes 2 sets
 - b. Treasurer's report 2 sets
 - c. Tax collector's report and motion to pay the Tax collector (if available)
 - d. Mayor/Police report
 - e. Permit Officer's report (if available)
 - f. Code Enforcement officer's report (if available)
 - g. Fire Chief's report (if available)
3. Unfinished Business
 - a.
4. New Business (including introduction of ordinances and resolutions)
 - a. Costars – contract for salt 2014-15
 - b. Tax Claim Bureau – sale of 627 E Mahanoy Ave – Deeds R Us LLC, Las Vegas
304 W. Main St, 15 Ogden St, 3 W. Ogden St. – ARH Properties, Mount Pleasant PA
25 Line St, 23 Line St, 153 Preston Ave – Schuylkill County Properties, Enola PA
 - c. Direct Energy contract - signed
 - d. Safety Committee – EMA (details to be worked out at a future date)
 - e. Copy Grant – Keystone Communities Program (related to special meeting)
 - f. Adopt Resolution 2014-3 - raising the rates for vendors/soliciting
 - g. PA Dot - Snow emergency – Main Street (Rt 4030) and boro streets
 - h. Resignation – Officer Daniel Weikel
 - i. Letter stating Officer John Borchick turned everything in
 - j. M. Cope – change in hearing date
 - k. Federal Surplus Supply – update list of names
 - l. Intuit – upgrade Payroll by May 31, 2014
 - m. R. Miller – abstain from vote for code enforcement w/o compensation
 - n. Pay Officer Mel Tomeo time off for the shooting incident
 - o. Settle question of police officer final pay rate.
 - p. Resignation letter Officer Douglas Litwhiler
5. Review and authorization to pay bills
Both February and March
6. Correspondence
7. Reports of Committees, Council members and Solicitor (see folder)
8. **Open floor to public comment.**
9. Motion to adjourn

Next Meeting: April 10, 2014

CORRESPONDENCE

PA Dept of L&I – notice of eligibility to for solvency program

Service Electric – letter acknowledging Ordinance #2014-1

Ford Extended Service Plan

Zion Lutheran Church – asking for escrowed funds for demolition

DEP – Concerning Ellison oil leak

Solicitor – letter concerning M Cope

Assorted seminars

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING SIGN IN SHEET MARCH 2014

	NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
1	STEPHEN BARRATT	305 3rd St Frackville PA 17931	570-878-3858
2	Julie Ritchie	116 A Girardville	276-6420
3	Thomas M. Manna	613 E Main St Girardville	276-1197
4	Edna Sabes	334 A Girardville	276-6430
5	FRANK SHIFFER	POTTSTOWN	622-1995
6	Joyce E. Eagle	27 W Ogden St	
7	Anthony S. Scharf	210 EAST OGDEN	
8	Don O'Connell	SS Railroad ST	
9	Michelle O'Connell	6 S William St	
10	Mr. Donkey	355 W. Main St	
11	Thompson Holman	309 Back Rd Barre, VT 05641	570-778-1278
12	Janet Ann Pappert	246 N. 2nd St.	570-276-6260
13	Edna C. C. C.	317 W. Mahanay Ave	
14	Barnett Todd	35-22 Marshall St	
15	Patricia O'Connell	316 N OAK ST	
16	Mary Miller	3256 St.	
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**Bills to be approved for March
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GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH

GENERAL FUND

Aqua Pennsylvania	HYDRANTS	\$ 858.00
Aqua Pennsylvania	Boro Hall	\$ -
AT&T		
Verizon	wireless	
Verizon		
Berkheimer	EIT/LST	\$ 209.02
GAMA		\$ 48.00
Geisinger Health Plan		\$ 2,998.14
Mary Ambrose	Gas	\$ 20.00
Mary Ambrose	postage	\$ 2.03
Miners Bank	Tax note - interest	\$ 122.22
Central Oil	1) 1051.50 2) 893.10	\$ 1,944.60
Entech Engineering	Bills owed from 2013	\$ 1,500.00
Gene's Supply	staples for posting signs	\$ 7.38
Lindenmuth		\$ 20.00
MRM Workers Comp		
North Schuylkill Transfer Station		
Direct Energy	BORO HALL	\$ 335.54
PP&L	BORO HALL	
Direct Energy	SIREN	\$ 0.51
PP&L	SIREN	\$ 14.72
PP&L	Park Light	\$ 40.13
Premium Assignment		\$ 921.40
Schuylkill County Treasurer	per capita bill	\$ 145.92
Schuylkill County Treasurer	Appeal hearing 108-118 W Mains St	\$ 125.00
Quartermaster	Badge/seal	\$ 74.97
SWIF	Worker Comp FF/Amb	
YIS/Cowden	vascar	\$ 44.55
Chris Reidlinger		\$ 360.00
USDA	Loan payment	\$ 1,556.00
Wright Express		\$ 1,069.18
TOTAL DUE GENERAL FUND		\$ 12,417.31

MOTOR FUND

Ken's Tire	Pick up truck	\$ 320.00
Rte 61	mount & balance	\$ 48.87
Penn-Hazle	plow	\$ 650.00
Penn-Hazle	plow blade	\$ 180.00
Mt Carmel Auto	Alternator Dump truck	\$ 249.82
NAPA	Battery Dump truck	\$ 143.09
Direct Energy	street lights	\$ 1,038.00
PP&L	street lights	\$ 2,091.10
TOTAL DUE MOTOR FUND		\$ 4,720.88

PERMIT ACCOUNT		
DCED	4th quarter 2013	
BUI		\$ -
TOTAL		\$ -
SCHOOL FUND		
Heller Gas	1) 1109.33 2) 442.45 3) 852.09	\$ 2,403.84
North Schuylkill Transer Station		\$ 17.98
GAMA		\$ 48.00
Aqua Pennsylvania		\$ 36.00
PPL		\$ 106.90
Direct Energy		\$ 545.53
TOTAL DUE SCHOOL FUND		\$ 3,158.25

APPROVED BY COUNCIL:  DATE: 3-13-14

BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE

FOURTH & "B" STREETS

P.O. BOX 5

GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

PHONE: (570) 276-1635 FAX: (570) 276-1640 e-mail: borohall@verizon.net

Regular Meeting

PLACE: Municipal Bldg. **DATE:** April 10, 2014 **TIME:** 7:30 PM

OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by C. Marquardt

ROLL CALL

Members present: J. Kessler, C. Marquardt, R. Miller, Mayor E. Burns,
Solicitor C. Riedlinger

Members absent: H. Brennan, J. Catizone.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Motion to accept the report made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Tax Collector's report: Motion to accept the report and pay the tax collector made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Mayor's report: Read by E. Burns. Motion to accept report as read made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Permit Officer's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by J. Kessler, seconded by R. Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Fire Chief's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. C. Marquardt stated that F. Zangari noted he had several suggestions to go over with Code Enforcement and Quality of Life. Vote. All. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Letter of resignation from Officer Kyle Schauer. Motion to accept made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Request from the Teener League to hold a tag day, Memorial Day from 10-12 at the intersections at both ends of Main Street and Second Street and Mahanoy Avenue. Motion to allow made by J. Kessler seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Request from the Girardville Fire Police to hold a tag day, Tuesday, June 3rd at the intersections of William and Main Street, and Second Street and Mahanoy Avenue. Motion to allow made by J. Kessler, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Schuylkill County Tax Claim – sale of two (2) properties: North Reed Alley and 18 E. Ogden Street to the Ranger Hose Co. Motion to approve made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Request from M. Zangari to hold a clean-up as part of a County wide competition. It was suggested by J. Quinn that they use Main Street and Second Street which PRIDE always did. M. Zangari arrived and stated they wished to do C Street, B Street Park and if time allowed any of the other parks. He stated this was a competition throughout the County and North Schuylkill elected to do this in Girardville. There will be the North Schuylkill van, the trash collected will be bagged and picked up. This will go on April 23, 2014, 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM. Motion to allow made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Schuylkill County Solid Waste survey to be completed and returned. C. Marquardt stated he would complete and return the form.

Geisinger Health Plan – We received a letter from Geisinger Health Plan and it was decided to renew the employee health plan with Geisinger accepting the Affordable Care Plan suggested by them which is comparable to the current plan. The costs will result in a savings of approximately \$5100.00 a year. Motion made by J. Kessler, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

BILLS

Motion to approve the bill list as submitted and read was made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter – requesting Vine Street from B Street to Main Street be made one way with parking on only one side. After some discussion it was decided to make this a one way street coming from Main Street with parking on the right. Motion to make Vine Street one way, downhill, from Main Street to B Street made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Letter – Archer & Greiner – environmental covenant for former Keystone Chemical Co. in Butler Township. Copy for file.

Copy co-op agreement with the County for 227 E Mahanoy Avenue. This is set for demolition as soon as the contractor is available.

e-mail – Gary Bender, blight meeting May 8, 2014 at the Court House. This will be attended by Council members and the Mayor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Street: Motion to appoint M. Soucheck to Street Foreman with \$1.00 @ hour raise. Motion made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

J. Evans is to receive a raise of \$0.15 @ hour. Motion made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried. Raises to be effective in May.

C. Marquardt stated that we are looking into getting some estimates for some of the streets which need paving. However, if it proves too expensive we will do this with our street department.

School Building: R. Miller reported several rentals and between that and Biddy Basketball contributions we are approaching \$2500.00 since the beginning of January.

PUBLIC COMMENT

R. Krick – 1 West Main Street – requested use of the building on Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at 7:00 PM for the Water Shed to meet. Motion to allow made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. Motion carried.

A. Soucheck – East Ogden Street – requested 15 MPH signs to post of Ogden Street because of the foot traffic a lot of children because of the park. Some cars come speeding down that street without looking, do a rolling stop at the sign and she is afraid of what the consequences may be. C. Marquardt said that R. Miller will look into this and find out about getting signs and where to put them. E. Burns said the police can patrol or sit and watch and people can report anything they see to be investigated.

Motion to adjourn made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ambrose
Secretary/Treasurer

BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE

GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

MEETING AGENDA: April 10, 2014

1. Pledge/Roll call
2. Approval of Reports (as available)
 - a. Minutes
 - b. Treasurer's report
 - c. Tax collector's report and motion to pay the Tax collector (if available)
 - d. Mayor/Police report
 - e. Permit Officer's report (if available)
 - f. Code Enforcement officer's report (if available)
 - g. Fire Chief's report (if available)
3. Unfinished Business
 - a.
4. New Business (including introduction of ordinances and resolutions)
 - a. Resignation – Kyle Schauer
 - b. Schuylkill County Solid Waste – survey to be filled out
 - c. Request from Teeners to hold a tag day, Memorial Day from 10 – 12 at both ends of Main Street and Second & Mahanoy Avenue.
 - d. Schuylkill County Tax Claim – North Reed Alley, 18 E Ogden St – Ranger Hose Co
 - e. Michael Zangari – request for permission to hold a clean-up on Main & Second Streets
 - f. Geisiger Health Plan
 - g. Appoint M Soucheck Street Foreman w/\$1.00 @ hour raise
 - h. J Evans - raise .15¢ @ hour
 - i. Request Fire Police – Tag Day Tuesday June 3rd William and Main St and Second St and Mahanoy Ave.
5. Review and authorization to pay bills

Motion to transfer funds from the General to School fund
6. Correspondence
7. Reports of Committees, Council members and Solicitor (see folder)
8. **Open floor to public comment.**
9. Motion to adjourn

Next Meeting: May 8, 2014

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter – Requesting Vine Street from B to Main Street be made one way.

e-mail – Gary Bender, blight meeting May 8th at the Court House

Letter – Archer & Greiner – environmental covenant for former Keystone Chemical Co

Copy co-op agreement with the County for 227 E Mahanoy Avenue

Assorted seminars

**Bills to be approved for APRIL
2014**

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH

GENERAL FUND

Aqua Pennsylvania	HYDRANTS	\$ 858.00
Aqua Pennsylvania	Boro Hall	\$ 97.40
AT&T	1) 122.09 2) 163.55	\$ 285.64
Verizon	wireless	\$ 16.37
Verizon		
Berkheimer	EIT/LST	\$ 103.88
GAMA		\$ 48.00
Gene		\$ 7.38
Geisinger Health Plan		\$ 2,998.14
Mary Ambrose	Gas	\$ 20.00
Mary Ambrose	postage	
Miners Bank	Tax note - interest	\$ 118.40
Central Oil		\$ 1,217.63
J. Fremont PHD		\$ 400.00
Entech Engineering	Bills owed from 2013	\$ 1,500.00
Koppy's Propane	borough hall	\$ 150.00
Liquid Tech		\$ 55.00
Lowe's		\$ 39.97
NAPA		\$ 94.60
NS COG	dues 2014	\$ 100.00
North Schuylkill Transfer Station		\$ 114.70
Direct Energy	BORO HALL	\$ 99.25
PP&L	BORO HALL	\$ 23.20
Direct Energy	SIREN	\$ -
PP&L	SIREN	\$ 15.92
PP&L	Park Light	\$ 1.80
Premium Assignment		\$ 837.64
R. Miller	reimburse	\$ 8.35
R Shelak/M Tomeo	reimburse	\$ 427.57
Ann Soucheck	reimburse	\$ 45.03
Schuylkill County Treasurer		\$ 162.56
Schuylkill Electronics		\$ 150.00
SWIF	Worker Comp FF/Amb	\$ -
YIS/Cowden	vascar	\$ -
Chris Reidlinger		\$ 360.00
USDA	Loan payment	\$ 1,556.00
Wayne Heating		\$ 216.00
Wright Express		\$ 712.08
TOTAL DUE GENERAL FUND		\$ 12,840.51

MOTOR FUND		
NAPA		\$ 48.75
Direct Energy	street lights	\$ 378.62
PP&L	street lights	\$ 2,059.72
TOTAL DUE MOTOR FUND		\$ 2,487.09
PERMIT ACCOUNT		
DCED	4th quarter 2013	\$ -
BUI	March	\$ 42.00
TOTAL		\$ 42.00
SCHOOL FUND		
Heller Gas	1) 287.90 2) 263.54	\$ 551.41
Gene's		\$ 13.49
GAMA		\$ 48.00
Aqua Pennsylvania		\$ 26.00
PPL		\$ 67.95
Direct Energy		\$ 367.05
TOTAL DUE SCHOOL FUND		\$ 1,073.90

APPROVED BY COUNCIL: _____ DATE: _____

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING SIGN IN SHEET APRIL 2014

	NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
1	Ellen Budrota	223 E. Mahanoy Ave.	
2	Marie Finla	137 A Street	
3	Bob Finlan	137 A Street	
4	Jan O'Connell	Railroad St	
5	Michelle O'Connell	6 S William	
6	Rob Krick	1645 MAIN STREET	
7	HEATH RESSLER	115 S. WILLIAM ST.	
8	Mike Souchack	210 EAST OGDEN ST	
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CHARLIE,

MICHAEL ZANGARI STOPPED TO SEE ME LAST NIGHT. THE SCHOOLS ARE PLANNING SOME CLEANUPS IN SOME OF THE TOWNS ON APRIL ^{25TH}₂₃, AND HE KNOW PRIDE USED TO DO SOME OF THIS. HE ASKED MY OPINION ON AREAS AND I TOLD HIM SECOND AND MAIN STREET WOULD BE THE SPOTS WE USED TO HIT.

8:30^{AM} - 11:30^{AM}

MIKE SAID HE WILL BE AT THE NEXT COUINCIL MEETING, SO YOU MAY WANT TO GIVE HIM A COUPLE OF MINUTES SO HE CAN LET YOU KNOW WHAT THEY WILL BE DOING AND WHEN....HE SAID THEY WILL BE BAGGING EVERY THING THEY CLEAN AND IT WILL BE TAKEN AWAY THAT DAY.....

BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE

FOURTH & "B" STREETS

P.O. BOX 5

GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

PHONE: (570) 276-1635 FAX: (570) 276-1640 e-mail: borohall@verizon.net

Regular Meeting

PLACE: Municipal Bldg. **DATE:** May 8, 2014 **TIME:** 7:30 PM

OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by C. Marquardt

ROLL CALL

Members present: H. Brennan, J. Catizone, J. Kessler, C. Marquardt, R. Miller
Mayor E. Burns, Solicitor C. Riedlinger

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting made by J. Catizone, seconded by R. Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Motion to accept the report made by H. Brennan, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Tax Collector's report: Motion to accept the report and pay the tax collector made by R. Miller, seconded J. Catizone. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Mayor's report: Read by E. Burns. Motion to accept report as read made by J. Catizone, seconded by R. Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Permit Officer's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by J. Catizone, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by H. Brennan, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Fire Chief's report: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Curbside recycling will be on the last Friday of each month – one day only. Motion to allow made by H. Brennan, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. Motion carried.

Motion to place an ad for per diem workers for the Street Department at \$8.50 @ hour with a May 23rd deadline at 3:00 PM made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Catizone. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

2013 Review of the books is complete. Motion to accept made by H. Brennan, seconded by J. Catizone. Question? None. Vote. Motion carried.

Request from the County for us to host the annual cleanup. Motion to allow made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Catizone. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to make changes to the employees manual which consist of days off, time off and code of conduct made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Joseph Catizone will be stepping down as a Council member due to health issues. It is with regret that we have to accept this resignation. Motion to accept J. Catizone's resignation effective May 30, 2014 made by R. Miller, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint J. Kessler to the position of Vice- president effective June 1, 2014 made by H. Brennan, seconded by J. Catizone. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

We will be accepting letters of interest from anyone in town to fill the vacancy. Letters must be in by May 30, 2014. Motion to accept letters of interest made by R. Miller, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

BILLS

Motion to approve the bill list as submitted and read was made by H. Brennan, seconded by J. Catizone. Question? Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to transfer funds from the General Fund to the School Fund to pay bills made by J. Catizone, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Girard Hose Co request permission to hold a TAG DAY, Saturday May 24th. Motion to allow made by H. Brennan, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

American Legion request for a Memorial Day Remembrance, May 26th. Motion to allow made by J. Catizone, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Schuylkill County Court House – Notice of zoning hearing 223-225 W. Main Street. Motion to send the appropriate paper work made by J. Catizone, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police: H. Brennan said there is nothing to report.

Street: J. Catizone reported that Second Street holes will be patched for now. We will finish up the job when school is out.

Finance: J. Kessler had nothing to report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

R. Kuzma asked for permission to plant and take care of the flowers up at the Passive Park. C. Marquardt thanked her for her efforts last year and said we would be pleased to have her do it again this year. Motion to allow made by J. Catizone, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

John Wiedensal 225 A Street reported finding needles in the East End Park when he was there with his son. After some discussion it was suggested that he speak with the police officers.

C. Marquardt addressed the property of East Mahanoy Avenue which is scheduled for demolition. Gary Bender informed us that the contractor had to take care of a major collapse but they will be here as soon as it is possible.

Motion to adjourn made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Catizone. Vote. All. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ambrose
Secretary/Treasurer

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BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE
GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

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 - f. Code Enforcement officer's report (if available)
 - g. Fire Chief's report (if available)
3. Unfinished Business
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4. New Business (including introduction of ordinances and resolutions)
 - a. Curbside recycling – last Tuesday of each month – one day only
 - b. Place ad – per diem workers for street department
 - c. 2013 annual accountants review completed
 - d. Solid Waste – request for the borough to host the annual cleanup
 - e. Changing the employee manual – time off, days off, code of conduct
 - f. Fax machine for Police Office.
5. Review and authorization to pay bills
 - Motion to transfer funds from the General to School fund
6. Correspondence
7. Reports of Committees, Council members and Solicitor (see folder)
8. **Open floor to public comment.**
9. Motion to adjourn

Next Meeting: June 12, 2014

CORRESPONDENCE

Schuylkill County Court House – notice of zoning hearing 223-225 W. Main Street
MRM Trust – letters noting dividends Worker's Comp & Property
Darwin National Assurance Co. – notice of intent to renew the Public Officials Liability policy
American Legion – request for Memorial Day Remembrance, Monday, 26, 2014
Girard Hose Co – request for tag day Saturday May 24th 10 am – 2 pm
Seltzer Group – letter stating they will no longer be sending SWIF notices
Various – docketing appeal Nesvold

Assorted seminars

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH Bills to be approved for MAY 2014

GENERAL FUND

Aqua Pennsylvania	HYDRANTS	\$ 858.00
Aqua Pennsylvania	Boro Hall	
AT&T		
Verizon	wireless	\$ 65.14
Verizon		\$ 266.06
Berkheimer	EIT/LST	\$ 90.07
GAMA		\$ 48.00
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Gene's		\$ 36.97
Geisinger Health Plan		\$ 2,998.14
Mary Ambrose	Gas	\$ 20.00
Mary Ambrose	postage	\$ 59.34
Miners Bank	Tax note - interest	\$ 105.03
Miners Bank	Tax Note - principal	\$ 25,000.00
E. Dougherty	postage/envelopes	\$ 562.10
Entech Engineering	Bills owed from 2013 + current	\$ 1,500.00
Galls	Badge holder/R. Miller	\$ 19.48
Galls	Badge R. Miller	\$ 116.97
Lindennuth		\$ 28.70
Lowes		\$ 218.11
Mel Tomeo	reimburse patches	\$ 150.00
MRM Worker's Comp	Final	\$ 2,021.04
North Schuylkill Transfer Station		\$ 19.84
Direct Energy	BORO HALL	\$ -
PP&L	BORO HALL	\$ 46.48
Direct Energy	SIREN	\$ 2.64
PP&L	SIREN	\$ 15.33
PP&L	Park Light	\$ -
Premium Assignment	9 of 10	\$ 837.64
Samuel Deegan Corp	2013 review/audit	\$ 2,000.00
Storks Auto	spreader (through insurance) DEPOSIT	\$ 150.00
YIS/Cowden	vascar	\$ 44.55
Chris Reidlinger		\$ 320.00
USDA	Loan payment	\$ 1,556.00
Wright Express		
TOTAL DUE GENERAL FUND		\$ 40,178.03
MOTOR FUND		
Rt 61 Fuel	Inspection - Dump Truck	\$ 18.87
Direct Energy	street lights	\$ -
PP&L	street lights	\$ -
TOTAL DUE MOTOR FUND		\$ 18.87

PERMIT ACCOUNT		
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TOTAL		\$ -
SCHOOL FUND		
Gene's Tire & Auto	Roof	\$ 16.77
GAMA		\$ 48.00
Aqua Pennsylvania		\$ -
PPL		\$ 59.54
Direct Energy		\$ 235.39
TOTAL DUE SCHOOL FUND		\$ 359.70

APPROVED BY COUNCIL:  DATE: 5-8-14

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING SIGN IN SHEET MAY 2014

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
1 Ellen Burkhardt	883 E. Mahanoy Ave	
2 Rosalyn Korman	Almond Township	
3 Maryanne Miller	1335 A St.	
4 Robert Miller	316 W. Oak St.	
5 Robert Keck	West Main St	
6 Tom Claret	103 N Second St	
7 Mike Soudant	210 EAST CEDAR	
8 John Wendenau	225 A ST	
9 Edward Zolnie	334 W St.	
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BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE

FOURTH & "B" STREETS

P.O. BOX 5

GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

PHONE: (570) 276-1635 FAX: (570) 276-1640 e-mail: borohall@verizon.net

Regular Meeting

PLACE: Municipal Bldg. **DATE:** June 12, 2014 **TIME:** 7:30 PM

OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by C. Marguardt

ROLL CALL

Members present: H. Brennan, J Kessler, C. Marguardt, R. Miller, Mayor E. Burns
Solicitor C. Riedlinger

Nomination to fill the vacant council seat called for by C. Marguardt.
Nomination of Daniel Heiser made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question?
None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Daniel Heiser was sworn in the Mary Beth Dougherty, Notary Public.

He was then welcomed by the Council members and those present.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting made by H. Brennan,
seconded by R. Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Motion to accept the report made by H. Brennan, seconded by
J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Tax Collector's report: Motion to accept the report and pay the tax collector made by
R. Miller, seconded H. Brennan. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Mayor's report: Read by H. Brennan. Motion to accept the report as read made by
R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried. At this time R. Miller
asked to make a report. C. Marguardt allowed it. He reported that the new police vehicle
which was not costing tax payer a dime so far. Crime watch, Mayor E Burns and myself
have raised money to make payments on the vehicle. We currently have \$3820.00 and

will continue to raise money as long as we can. We made a commitment to the past Council to raise one years' worth of payments. We have exceeded that. We have enough to make this year's payments and will be working on next year.

Permit Officer's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by J. Kessler, seconded by H. Brennan. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Fire Chief's report: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Summer Lunch – provided by the Mahanoy Area School District will be June 9th through August 20th from 11:15 AM to 12:30 PM at the East End Playground. There will be no meal served on Friday, July 4th. Motion to allow and advertise made by H. Brennan, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Adult Men's Basketball League for July and August. This will be the "Skook Summer League" Motion to give permission to hold pending receiving waivers and a signed agreement made by R. Miller, seconded D. Heiser. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Handicapped Parking spaces – letters sent to all H/P holders – removal of two (2) due to moving and death, notice of \$5.00 due on all others. For repainting. Motion approving action made by J. Kessler, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried

Motion made by H. Brennan, seconded by D. Heiser to return of fire escrow money to E. Labie. Demolition of property complete. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Received from Seltzer Insurance Agency required forms to be completed to renew liability insurance. Motion to complete and return made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Aqua PA sent back flow prevention forms to be completed and returned. Motion to complete and return made by H. Brennan, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Girard Hose Co #1 requested for permission to host a block party & parade on August 15th & 16th and allow from no parking on Oak Street from August 14th - 17th to allow for set up and tear down. Motion to allow and send letter made by D. Heiser, seconded by H Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Cooperation agreement between Council & the County for demolition West Main Street project. Projected Borough cost of \$ 13,137.50. To be signed and returned. Motion to sign and return made by R. Miller, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion made by H. Brennan to hire a new police officer, Ryan Oldt, seconded by J. Kessler. Oldt to be hired and a starting pay rate of \$13.00 per hour to be increased to \$14.00 and then to \$15.00 per hour each 30 days. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Offer employment two (2) per diem, Paul Burpo, and Ryan Fegley for the Street Department at \$8.50 per hour.

Motion to hire P. Burpo made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to hire R Fegley made by H. Brennan, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion by R. Miller to purchase partitions \$250.00 – 5 pieces to create some office space in the building, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

USDA approached us about a grant application for a new dump truck is in the works. Council has not yet approved this but seeks approval to move forward with this, pending the expense. Motion to allow made by H. Brennan, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

BILLS

Motion to approve the bill list as submitted and read was made by R. Miller, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to transfer funds from the General Fund to the School Fund to pay bills made by R. Miller, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Firefighter's Relief Association – received annual audit.

Central Highway – prepay notification for fuel

DCEd – notification of removal of KOZ for School building. We are currently working on this to avoid having to pay taxes.

Lenape Solar – information about changing the lights in the building to LED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Street: J. Kessler reported that the Second Street project is slated to begin on June 16th and hopefully it will be completed within a week. Gilberton has offered their assistance, with their truck to haul the blacktop.

Police: H. Brennan said there was nothing to report.

Parks: C. Marquardt reported that the Crime Watch is holding their annual Picnic in the Park on June 21st.

Concerning the demolition on Mahanoy Avenue, C. Marquardt reported receiving a phone call from G. Bender telling him that the contractor is still in Tremont, on the emergency demolition job. As soon as it is complete, the contractor will be here.

C. Marquardt reported that he is meeting tomorrow with J. Feeser from SCA to sign off on the paperwork for the asbestos removal for the West Main Street project.

C. Riedlinger reported that a representative of DCED contacted all the municipalities in the County to see if their flood plain ordinance meets with the new state and federal requirements. He asked for permission to look into this matter and make any necessary changes and get it ready for you to adopt. Motion to allow made by R. Miller, seconded J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sandy Wilson, B Street – she requested Council consider sending a letter to new homeowners notifying them that their house needs to be inspected. She was told that normally the Real Estate Agents are required to get this inspection. They should be required to sign something that says they know all the ordinances they have to comply with. Residents are required to obey the ordinances and Code Enforcement will notify them if they are not in compliance. Mary Beth Dougherty said the City of Pottsville has new information concerning blight. Perhaps the Borough should look into getting this and reviewing this matter.

R. Krick asked about a bill for legal representation for the Mayor. HE questioned whether or not he was being sued as the “Mayor” or a private individual. HE was told that it was a Mayor that E. Burns was being sued and the bill was paid for by the Borough because it did not meet the deductible for Errors and Omissions. C. Riedlinger said that it was a suit filed by Mr. Michael Cope and the decision was in the Borough's or the Mayor's favor.

R. Krick asked about the letter from Biddy Basketball giving the Men's League permission to utilize the gym in the event of rain. Is that Biddy's call or the Council's?

C. Marquardt answered that he requested Biddy to give us a letter allowing use of the gym because of having equipment there and they will be using it. It is of course the Borough's call. He apologized for the misunderstanding.

R. Krick asked if there is a report of the permits issued for the St. Patrick's Day Parade. He was told that there was a report in April's financial report. R. Krick said he was asking for a report listing everyone who was issued a permit not how much money came to the Borough as they could be two different numbers. C. Marquardt said he got a report about the permits and since there was no record of it perhaps it is at his house. It is a reasonable request and will be made for next year.

Mary Beth Dougherty asked what banners. C. Marquardt said the banners are for PRIDE. Since there is no more Upper Schuylkill the Borough absorbs this cost.

E. Dougherty complained about the Skateboarders going up and down Main Street at all times of the day and night. She asked where are the cops. Chief M. Tomco will be checking further into this. The first time they are warned, the second time the skateboards are taken.

Motion to adjourn made by, R. Miller seconded by H. Brennan. Vote. All. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ambrose
Secretary/Treasurer

BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE
GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

MEETING AGENDA: June 12, 2014

1. Pledge/Roll call

Call for nominations for a new council member. Once voted upon, the new council member takes the oath of office – duty performed by a Notary or the Mayor

2. Approval of Reports (as available)

- a. Minutes
- b. Treasurer's report
- c. Tax collector's report and motion to pay the Tax collector (if available)
- d. Mayor/Police report
- e. Permit Officer's report (if available)
- f. Code Enforcement officer's report (if available)
- g. Fire Chief's report (if available)

3. Unfinished Business

a.

4. New Business (including introduction of ordinances and resolutions)

- a. Summer Lunch – provided by the Mahanoy Area School District will be June 9th through August 20th from 11:15 AM to 12:30 PM at the East End Playground.
There will be no meal served on Friday, July 4th.
- b. Adult Men's Basketball League – permission to hold pending receiving waivers
- c. Handicapped Parking spaces – Letters sent to know H/P holders – removal of two (2) due to moving and death.
- d. E. Labie requested for return of fire escrow money. Demolition of property complete
- e. Seltzer Insurance Agency – required forms to be completed to renew liability insurance
- f. Aqua PA – completion of required forms for back flow prevention
- g. Girard Hose Co #1 – request for permission to host a block party & parade – 8/15,16
- h. Cooperation agreement between Council & the County for demolition West Main Street project – projected Borough cost of \$ 13,137.50. To be signed and returned
- i. USDA grant application – to be approved for truck
- j. Offer employment two (2) per diems Paul Burpo, Ryan Fegley
- k. Offer employment one (1) cop – Ryan Oldt
- l. Purchase partitions \$250.00 – 5 pieces

5. Review and authorization to pay bills

Motion to transfer funds from the General to School fund

6. Correspondence

7. Reports of Committees, Council members and Solicitor (see folder)

8. **Open floor to public comment.**

9. Motion to adjourn

Next Meeting: July 10, 2014

CORRESPONDENCE

Firefighter's Relief Association – received annual audit.
Central Highway – prepay notification
DCEd – notification of removal of KOZ for School building
Lenape Solar – information about changing the lights in the building to LED
Assorted other letters and seminars

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING SIGN IN SHEET JUNE 2014

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
1. <i>John J. Hudak</i>	<i>888 E. Mainway Ave.</i>	
2. <i>Robert K. Kuma</i>	<i>Edward Tower</i>	
3. <i>Don C. Eide Jr</i>	<i>85 RR 57</i>	
4. <i>Michelle Diamond</i>	<i>105 William</i>	
5. <i>Robert M. Eder</i>	<i>325 N. St.</i>	
6. <i>Robert D. Eder</i>	<i>314 W. Oak St.</i>	
7. <i>Michael Eder</i>		
8. <i>Charles Eder</i>	<i>296 N. Oak St.</i>	
9. <i>Thomas Eder</i>		
10. <i>John Eder</i>		
11. <i>Robert Eder</i>	<i>1 West Main St</i>	
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GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH Bills to be approved for JUNE 2014

GENERAL FUND			
Aqua Pennsylvania	HYDRANTS		\$ 858.00
Aqua Pennsylvania	Boro Hall		\$ 99.90
AT&T	1) 272.74 2) 168.85		\$ 441.59
Verizon	wireless		\$ 65.18
Verizon	1) 290.86 2) 260.09		\$ 550.95
Berkheimer	EIT/LST		\$ 81.02
GAMA			\$ 48.00
Geisinger Health Plan			\$ 2,998.14
Mary Ambrose	Gas		\$ 20.00
Mary Ambrose	postage		\$ 54.81
Miners Bank	Tax Note - principal PAID IN FULL		\$ 45,019.10
Antz	pressure valve boiler		\$ 47.55
Central Highway	diesel		\$ 95.00
Intuit	payroll renewal		\$ 469.00
Entech Engineering	Bills owed from 2013 + current		\$ 2,369.74
Groody Electric	Hang banners		\$ 90.00
Lavery Faherty	legal representation Mayor		\$ 1,610.73
Liquid Technology	office computer		\$ 48.75
Lowes			\$ 103.21
Mel Tomeo	reinburse		\$ 96.00
Murry Securus	Bond		\$ 155.00
North Schuylkill Transfer Station			\$ 30.38
Direct Energy	BORO HALL		\$ -
PP&L	BORO HALL		\$ 51.09
Direct Energy	SIREN		\$ 4.61
PP&L	SIREN		\$ 14.47
PP&L	Park Light		\$ 0.95
Republican	Per diem worker ad		\$ 121.94
Schuylkill Chamber of Commerce	Dues		\$ 197.00
Staples	Police/office supplies		\$ 104.98
Stork's Automotive	replace plow parts (insurance)		\$ 435.87
Riedlinger, Chris			\$ 305.00
USDA	Loan payment		\$ 1,556.00
Wright Express			\$ -
Zangari, Frank	quarterly pay		\$ 91.00
TOTAL DUE GENERAL FUND			\$ 58,234.96
MOTOR FUND			
Vought Equipment	saw/blades		\$ 173.84
Direct Energy	street lights		\$ -
PP&L	street lights		\$ 2,059.72
TOTAL DUE MOTOR FUND			\$ 2,233.56

PERMIT ACCOUNT			
James Kilker	refund	\$	41.10
DCED		\$	-
BUI		\$	135.98
TOTAL		\$	177.08
SCHOOL FUND			
GAMA		\$	48.00
Aqua Pennsylvania		\$	26.00
PPL		\$	68.41
Direct Energy		\$	309.49
TOTAL DUE SCHOOL FUND		\$	451.90

APPROVED BY COUNCIL:



DATE:

6-12-14

BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE

FOURTH & "B" STREETS

P.O. BOX 5

GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

PHONE: (570) 276-1635 FAX: (570) 276-1640 e-mail: borohall@verizon.net

Regular Meeting

PLACE: Municipal Bldg. **DATE:** July 17, 2014 **TIME:** 7:30 PM

The regularly scheduled meeting for July 10, 2014 was cancelled and rescheduled for July 17, 2014 and duly advertised.

OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by C. Marquardt

ROLL CALL

Members present: C. Marquardt, D. Heiser, R. Miller, Mayor E. Burns

Members absent: H. Brennan, J. Kessler, Solicitor C. Riedlinger

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Motion to accept the report made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Tax Collector's report: Motion to accept the report and pay the tax collector made by D. Heiser, seconded R. Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Mayor's report: Read by E. Burns. Motion to accept report as read made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Permit Officer's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement report: No report

Fire Chief's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to send the annual donations to the fire companies in the amount of \$1200.00 each made by D. Heiser, seconded R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to allow Schuylkill Community Action off-street parking, of Oak Street, for the project at 106 – 118 West Main Street made by D. Heiser, seconded R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to renew the insurance for the package, police and public officials at a cost of \$11,759.00 made by R. Miller, second D. Heiser. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to advertise for police officers made by R. Miller, second D. Heiser. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Charles Marquardt noted that the newest flood plain information is available

Motion to transfer the internet/phone service to Service Electric made by R. Miller, second D. Heiser. This will result in savings of approximately \$2800.00 per year.

Motion to add a cell phone to our Verizon wireless plan, for the police department, 1000 minutes shared for a \$17.00 increase made by R. Miller, second D. Heiser. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

BILLS

Motion to approve the bill list as submitted and read was made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? Vote. All. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Schuylkill County tax Claim – list of properties tax claim sale.
Copy of letter sent from GAMA to M. Cope

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police: None.

Street: The AOH parade committee made an offer to buy the necessary blacktop (approx. 5 ton) to repair the holes on Oak Street down by the Grove and also the top of Beech Street. Motion to accept the offer made by D. Heiser, second R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Parks: None.

School Building: R. Miller reported that they are going to be changing the locks and will let Council know about it.

Quality of Life: R. Miller reported that he wrote out 12 tickets in the last week and a half. He also asked people to let us know of any violations because there are some properties that cannot be seen from the street.

Building: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Manbeck, 128 West Main Street – He complained about the house next door to him, 124 West Mains Street. He entered 124 with permission of Mayor E. Burns. It has been vacant for over a year, was condemned by Council, the weeds are over six feet tall, the bug traps are full, there are dead cats and garbage on all four floors and the roof is leaking causing damage and the water was actually running. The house is up for taxes and you can fine them all you want, there is nothing going to be done by the owner. He said that something has to be done about the blight which is all over this town.

E. Burns said that Council will act on this matter. He did not know what it would be but it would be something. We would have to go through the steps with the Quality of Life. R. Miller will start of this tomorrow and that will allow us to clean up the yard.

On the same note, the property at 227 E Mahanoy Avenue is scheduled for demolition, with the County and the contractor will be in at some point.

C. Marguardt said that the County program is available but the Borough must pay 25% of the total cost of demolition. We have a list of properties in town and it grows every day.

R Krick, 1 West Main Street – Formerly complained about the house on the corner of Line Street and Preston Avenue that is about to collapse and it will probably go through my garage. My only recourse will be to go after the homeowner, it was recently transferred. R. Miller said he sent them a letter on June 26, 2014 and posted the building. There has been no response as of this date. M.B. Dougherty stated that she had some information, including criminal records from Mahanoy City Code Enforcement. They searched the Department of State. You may want to check with other municipalities when it comes to these corporations. R. Krick then said that the Borough's position is

you sent a letter and will then cite them? C. Marguardt then asked R. Miller if he was going to cite them tomorrow. To which he replied yes. R. Krick then said thank you.

A Soucheck asked about permits for demolition for West Main Street. She asked who to contact to find out if they are needed or not. C. Marguardt said to contact Schuykill Community Action.

Motion to adjourn made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ambrose

Secretary/Treasurer

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING SIGN IN SHEET JULY 2014

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
1 Edna J. Lurie	3340 St.	
2 Thomasine Maye	413 E. Main St.	
3 Ellen Williams	223 E. Main St.	
4 Mike Mabeck	128 W. Main St.	
5 Lawrence Mabeck	128 W. Main St.	
6 Dan O'Connell	128 W. Main St.	
7 Michael O'Connell	128 W. Main St.	
8 Edna J. Lurie	128 W. Main St.	
9 Michael O'Connell	128 W. Main St.	
10 Thomas Williams	123 N. Second St.	
11 Lawrence Mabeck	246 N. Second St.	
12 Dan O'Connell	210 E. Main St.	
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Girardville Council

A few weeks ago I entered 124 West Main Street Girardville with permission from Mayor Edward Burns. Due to hearing something running. Upon entering, I found previous owners turned water back on, which was shut off and water main had burst. Called AQUA and they came and shut it back off. Over 400,000 gallons of water went underground.

While in there we noticed massive piles of household garbage, dog and cat feces, bugs, roaches, dead animals and a totally destroyed home.

The roofs are leaking in many different areas, which has the ceilings down from the fourth floor to the first floor, which in turn is making a mold situation now.

The house was condemned over a year ago by this council. The weeds outside are over 6 foot tall and the smell is unbearable.

I, Michael Manbeck, took Charlie Marquardt in the house, and he viewed the same situation as above, in turn, contacted Rick Miller. Rick advised me to write this letter to council so that this situation can be taken care of.

Please, please, help me with this problem.

Thank you for your consideration in this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Mike Manbeck



7-17-14

BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE
GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

MEETING AGENDA: July 10, 2014

1. Pledge/Roll call
2. Approval of Reports (as available)
 - a. Minutes
 - b. Treasurer's report
 - c. Tax collector's report and motion to pay the Tax collector (if available)
 - d. Mayor/Police report
 - e. Permit Officer's report (if available)
 - f. Code Enforcement officer's report (if available)
 - g. Fire Chief's report (if available)
3. Unfinished Business
 - a.
4. New Business (including introduction of ordinances and resolutions)
 - a. Annual donations to fire companies – budgeted \$2000.00 – s/b \$1200 @ company
 - b. Allowance for off street parking on Oak Street for 106-118 Main & Oak Street
 - c. Renewals for package, police and public officials insurance \$11,759.00 (up 6.7%)
 - d. Transfer internet/phone service to Service Electric
 - e. Change (still Verizon) wireless plan & add a police phone - 1200 minutes/\$82.00
Increase of approximately \$17.00
 - f. Advertise for police officers
 - g. Received FEMA maps (Flood Insurance Study)
5. Review and authorization to pay bills
Motion to transfer funds from the General to School fund
6. Correspondence
7. Reports of Committees, Council members and Solicitor (see folder)
8. **Open floor to public comment.**
9. Motion to adjourn

Next Meeting: August 14, 2014

CORRESPONDENCE

Schuylkill County Tax Claim – list of properties tax claim sale
Copy of letter sent from the Authority to M Cope
Assorted other letters and seminars

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH Bills to be approved for JULY 2014

GENERAL FUND

Aqua Pennsylvania	HYDRANTS	\$ 858.00
Aqua Pennsylvania	Boro Hall	\$ 99.90
AT&T		\$ 254.47
Verizon	wireless	\$ 65.28
Verizon		\$ 266.68
Berkheimer	EIT/LS	\$ 200.98
GAMA		\$ 48.00
Geisinger Health Plan		\$ 2,998.14
Mary Ambrose	Gas	\$ 20.00
Mary Ambrose	Postage	\$ 19.11
Girard Hose Co	annual donation	\$ 1,200.00
Ranger Hose Co	annual donation	\$ 1,200.00
Entech Engineering	Bills owed from 2013 + current	\$ 1,500.00
Gene's Auto		\$ 16.05
Keystone Insurers Group	Down payment - insurances	\$ 3,291.35
Lavery Faherty	Balance - E. Burns	\$ 889.27
Lindenmuth		\$ 16.00
National Penn	Box rental 2014-15	\$ 45.00
NAPA	Police car	\$ 47.98
North Schuylkill Transfer Station		\$ 59.52
Direct Energy	BORO HALL	\$ -
PP&L	BORO HALL	\$ 58.31
Direct Energy	SIREN	\$ 2.09
PP&L	SIREN	\$ 14.44
PP&L	Park Light	\$ 21.35
Schuylkill Cty Assessment	200 A St - tax appeal for gym	\$ 25.00
SWIF	FINAL	\$ 1,461.00
TAXES	property E Mah Ave/W Main St	\$ 237.07
Riedlinger, Chris		\$ 870.00
USDA	Loan payment	\$ 1,556.00
WA DeHart	Paper towels/toilet paper/ garbage bags	\$ 187.55
Wright Express		\$ 377.17
TOTAL DUE GENERAL FUND		\$ 17,905.71
MOTOR FUND		
Vought Equipment	Air compressor 2nd Street	\$ 85.00
Pottsville Materials	Black top	\$ 1,903.70
Gilberton Boro	Cost - 2nd St - Manpower & Gas	\$ 548.97
Direct Energy	street lights	\$ 240.49
PP&L	street lights	\$ 2,085.80
TOTAL DUE MOTOR FUND		\$ 4,863.96

PERMIT ACCOUNT			
DCED		\$	-
BUI		\$	514.92
TOTAL DUE PERMIT ACCOUNT		\$	514.92
SCHOOL FUND			
GAMA		\$	48.00
Aqua Pennsylvania		\$	16.00
PPL		\$	61.83
Direct Energy		\$	135.79
TOTAL DUE SCHOOL FUND		\$	261.62
POLICE FUND			
Miners Bank		\$	377.85
Statement		\$	4.00
TOTAL DUE POLICE FUND		\$	381.85

APPROVED BY COUNCIL: _____ DATE: _____

BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE

FOURTH & "B" STREETS

P.O. BOX 5

GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

PHONE: (570) 276-1635 FAX: (570) 276-1640 e-mail: borohall@ptd.net

Regular Meeting

PLACE: Municipal Bldg. DATE: August 17, 2014 TIME: 7:30 PM

OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by C. Marquardt

ROLL CALL

Members present: H. Brennan, D. Heiser, J. Kessler, C. Marquardt, R. Miller,
Mayor E. Burns, Solicitor C. Riedlinger

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting made by H. Brennan, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Motion to accept the report made by D. Heiser, seconded by H. Brennan. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Tax Collector's report: Motion to accept the report and pay the tax collector made by H. Brennan, seconded R. Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Mayor's report: Read by E. Burns. Motion to accept the report as read made by H. Brennan, seconded by R. Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Permit Officer's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Renewal workers compensation for the firefighters with SWIF at \$9700.00. Motion to approve made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Handicapped parking spaces were requested by Angie Zidiera and Brenda Sachleben. Motion to approve a space for A. Zidiera made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to approve a space for B. Sachleben made by H. Brennan, seconded by D. Heiser. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

County wide recycling will be held in Girardville on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 25th, 26th, and 27th. Thursday and Friday from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm and Saturday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Motion to hire Brian Morris as a part-time police officer and a starting rate of \$13.00 to be raised after 90 days to \$15.15. H. Brennan, seconded by D. Heiser. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Aqua PA is requiring the borough install backflow prevention valves on both the Borough Hall and the School Building. We have two price quotes.

Backflow Prevention Services, Kulpmont PA - \$1490.00
Quali-"T" Electric LLC – Valley View PA - \$1375.50

Motion to accept the price quote from Quali-"T" Electric made by D. Heiser, seconded by H. Brennan. Question? Vote. All. Motion carried.

BILLS

Motion to approve the bill list as submitted and read was made by H. Brennan, seconded by D. Heiser. Question? R. Miller asked why the amount for the Geisinger bill was higher than expected. M. Ambrose told them that it was an error showing the amount for May instead of the current amount of \$2652.96. J. Kessler then said that is still higher than the price quote they received. He was told, by M. Ambrose that is the amount because smokers pay a higher premium and the two borough workers smoke. Council was told that the bills could be approved with the changes. Vote. Aye – H. Brennan, D. Heiser, C. Marquardt, R. Miller. Nay – J. Kessler. Motion carried.

Motion to transfer funds from the General Fund to the School Fund to pay bills made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Schuylkill County Assessment office – Medical Center
DCEd – notice of closeout of CDBG Grant # 20-762-0154.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Street: None.

Police: None.

Parks: None.

Recreation: None

Personnel: None.

Q/L and Code Enforcement: R. Miller reported that ten (10) tickets were written and seven (7) citations filed. He told Mr. Krick that one of those was for the owners of the house on Line Street. Mr. Krick asked if he could have a copy of the citation and was told that he could. Also he thanked Mike and his crew for the job that was done down at Elmore's on West Main Street.

School: R. Miller reported that the padlocks were installed on the doors. He was asked how the keys would be handed out. He said that anyone who gets a key has to sign an agreement that they will not copy the key and it will be handed back when they are done. There are too many keys out.

Solicitor: C. Riedlinger reported receiving an environmental covenant from DEP's Len Zelinka. Unfortunately Mr. Zelinka is on vacation this week and could not be reached. This relates to a property on Oak Street between Richard and John Streets. It attaches to the deed and states that the asphalt stays and that the borough maintains the monitoring wells. C. Marguardt said he thought they should wait because of not knowing what they mean by maintaining the monitoring wells. R. Krick said that he was on Council at the time and that he believes that unless the Council approves this DEP if liable to come back and demand payment. It was decided to table this until September.

C Riedlinger then reported that he needed some clarification on a person who owns property in the borough is planning on donating it to the borough. This will involve some expenditure on the borough's part because they will require a real estate appraisal be done. If the borough is contemplating accepting this property then the approval of having the appraisal needs to be done tonight. C. Marguardt said that the property in question is the former bank building on West Main Street. We are looking at the building as a possible home for the police department. We are also looking at the condition of the building and insurance costs. This raised some discussion from the floor concerning the condition of the roof on the Borough Hall, the school building and its current uses and the possibility of using it for the police department. After some back and forth the Council

decided to wait until it had more information on the building and possible costs it would incur if it were accepted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

M. Manbeck, 128 West Main Street, addressed Council and thanked them for the clean-up that was done at Elmore's property next door to his house. He said a gentleman who was to collect a car from her had two addresses in Tamaqua to check on for Lisa Elmore. He would give him a call tomorrow and see if he had any success and will pass the information on to R. Miller. Maybe you can get her to pay some of the fines and costs related to the house.

Motion to adjourn made by R. Miller, seconded by H. Brennan. Vote. All. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ambrose
Secretary/Treasurer

BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE
GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

MEETING AGENDA: August 17, 2014

1. Pledge/Roll call
2. Approval of Reports (as available)
 - a. Minutes
 - b. Treasurer's report
 - c. Tax collector's report and motion to pay the Tax collector (if available)
 - d. Mayor/Police report
 - e. Permit Officer's report (if available)
 - f. Code Enforcement officer's report (if available)
 - g. Fire Chief's report (if available)
3. Unfinished Business
 - a.
4. New Business (including introduction of ordinances and resolutions)
 - a. Renewal workers comp, Firefighters - \$9,700.00
 - b. Handicapped Parking applications – Zdieta & Sachleben
 - c. County recycling – Sept 25, 26, 27th
5. Review and authorization to pay bills
Motion to transfer funds from the General to School fund
6. Correspondence
7. Reports of Committees, Council members and Solicitor (see folder)
8. **Open floor to public comment.**
9. Motion to adjourn

Next Meeting: September 11, 2014

CORRESPONDENCE

County Assessment Office – Medical Center
DCEd – notice of closeout of Grant # 20-762-0154
Assorted other letters and seminars

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING SIGN IN SHEET AUGUST 2014

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
1 Joeke Kyma	1000 1st Ave Girardville	
2 Jim OConnell	1000 1st Ave	
3 Robert Kirk	Main St	
4 Tom Clarke	103 N 2nd St	
5 Mike Luckert	210 East Ogden St	
6 Mike Luckert	128 W Main St	
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GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH

Bills to be approved for AUGUST
2014

GENERAL FUND		
Aqua Pennsylvania	HYDRANTS	\$ 858.00
Aqua Pennsylvania	Boro Hall	\$ 109.90
AT&T		\$ 139.92
Verizon	wireless	\$ 65.06
Verizon		\$ 261.98
Berkheimer	EIT/LST	\$ 88.27
GAMA		\$ 48.00
Geisinger Health Plan		\$ 2,652.96
Mary Ambrose	Gas	\$ 20.00
Entech Engineering	Bills owed from 2013 + current	\$ 1,500.00
Gene's Auto		\$ 52.67
Ken's Tire	Police car	\$ 119.23
Lowe's		\$ 149.26
Nesvold, Gerald	Refund taxes paid	\$ 101.36
North Schuylkill Transfer Station		\$ 33.48
Direct Energy	BORO HALL	\$ 43.84
PP&L	BORO HALL	\$ 53.74
Direct Energy	SIREN	\$ -
PP&L	SIREN	\$ 14.50
PP&L	Park Light	\$ 40.65
Republican/Herald	Meeting change ad - Police help wanted	\$ 267.39
Riedinger, Chris		\$ 310.00
Rt 61 Fuel	police car - mount and balance new tire	\$ 15.00
Staples	ink	\$ 45.96
Seltzer Ins	Renewal = SWIF	\$ 485.00
USDA	Loan payment	\$ 1,556.00
YIS/Cowden	VASCAR/stopwatch	\$ 44.55
Wright Express		\$ 674.92
TOTAL DUE GENERAL FUND		\$ 9,751.64
MOTOR FUND		
Mattu Asphalt	Sealing 2nd St	\$ 300.00
Direct Energy	street lights	\$ 251.64
PP&L	street lights	\$ 2,085.80
TOTAL DUE MOTOR FUND		\$ 2,637.44
PERMIT ACCOUNT		
DCED		\$ -
BUI	July	\$ 124.60
TOTAL DUE PERMIT ACCOUNT		\$ 124.60

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SCHOOL FUND		
GAMA		\$ 48.00
Aqua Pennsylvania		\$ 26.00
PPL		\$ 31.04
Direct Energy		\$ -
TOTAL DUE SCHOOL FUND		\$ 105.04
ESCROW ACCOUNT		
Zion Lutheran Church	demolition	\$ 2,000.00
POLICE FUND		
Miners Bank		\$ 377.85
Statement		\$ 4.00
TOTAL DUE POLICE FUND		\$ 381.85

Not Approved

APPROVED BY COUNCIL:  DATE: **8-14-14**

BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE

201 North Fourth Street
GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935
PHONE: (570) 276-1635 FAX: (570) 276-1640 e-mail: borohall@ptd.net

Regular Meeting

PLACE: Municipal Bldg. **DATE:** September 11, 2014 **TIME:** 7:30 PM

OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by J. Kessler.

ROLL CALL

Members present: D. Heiser, J. Kessler, R. Miller,
Mayor E. Burns, Solicitor C. Riedlinger
Members absent: H. Brennan, C. Marquardt

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting made by, D. Heiser seconded by R. Miller Question? Vote. All. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Motion to accept the report made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? Vote. All. Motion carried.

Tax Collector's report: Motion to accept the report and pay the tax collector made by, R. Miller seconded by D. Heiser. Question? Vote. All. Motion carried.

Mayor's report: Read by E. Burns. Motion to accept report as read made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Question? Vote. All. Motion carried.

Mayor Burns reported that the Borough has to get new radios as the County Communication Center is switching from the current band width to a broader band system. Therefore the Council has to enter into a lease agreement with Green's Communication, for Motorola. The lease will be for seven years for \$12,967 for three (3) radios. This goes into effect next month but the first (1st) payment is not due until September of next year. The Crime Watch is going to raise funds to take care of this but Council may want to look at it for the budget for next year. Motion to adopt the seven (7)

year lease agreement with Green's Communication for \$2,133.69 a year made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Permit Officer's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Question? Vote. All. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? Vote. All. Motion carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing.

NEW BUSINESS

The Borough Hall requires a street address per the County Communication Center to make it easier to find electronically. Motion, effective September 15, 2014, the address at Borough Hall will be 201 North Fourth Street, made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to have all mail delivered to the Borough Hall at the new address effective September 15, 2014 made by R. Miller, seconded D. Heiser. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to grant a handicapped parking to Barbara Tacker, 315 A Street made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

The Fire police requested a Tag Day, September 29, 2014, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Motion to grant the request made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Reverend James Bowers, representing God's Chuck wagon requested permission to bring their mobile soup kitchen into the Borough on Friday's from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm to service the residents of the borough who need the assistance. Motion to the entire request with the Chuck wagon being set up at the B Street Park made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

The Secretary/Treasurer request permission to close out the Recreation Fund Account as it is no longer needed. Motion to grant permission for the request made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

BILLS

Motion to pay the bills as submitted made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

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Motion to transfer funds from the General Fund to the School Fund made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

MRM Trust – 2014-15 Certificate of Participation

PA One Call – short survey to be completed

Schuykill County Court House – bill for demolition of the West Main Street properties. This was forwarded to Jeff Feeser, Schuykill Community Action for payment.

Schuykill County Court House - notice of payment required for the demolition of 227 East Mahanoy Avenue in the amount of \$ 4,320.00.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police: Nothing

Street: Nothing

Solicitor: C. Riedlinger reported that he filed petitions for all eight (8) properties on West Main Street to have them declared as tax exempt for the purpose of building low income rental properties on them. J. Feeser, Schuykill Community Action has drawn up a letter stating that this is necessary to obtain the State funding for the housing. The hearing is scheduled for October 2, 2014, at the Court House in the Commissioner's Board Room at 9:30 AM. R. Miller is going to attend as the Borough's representative.

C. Riedlinger reported on the Environmental Covenant for the property on Oak Street between Richard and John Streets which was discussed at last month's meeting. There was some concern about the language it concerning the monitoring wells. Council did not wish to be responsible for maintaining the wells. He spoke with L. Zelinka from DEP about the concerns as Mr. Zelinka agreed to rewrite the agreement with different language, freeing the borough from any responsibility for the wells, just that the wells would not be disturbed. C. Riedlinger told Council that the agreement now states that we do not have to fix or maintain anything we just cannot change anything. The Borough, therefore, can adopt the Environmental Covenant with Charles Marquardt signing it and forward it to L. Zelinka at the DEP. Motion to adopt made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

T. Clarke, 103 North Second Street – he was just curious as to why there are no drug arrests in Girardville. Mayor Burns stated that there are drug arrests. Mr. Clarke said that

you did not read any off in the Police Report. Mayor Burns that stated that they are going through the Court system. It takes a while for them to go through the system and there are drug arrests. Mr. Clark added that people do not think there is a police department in Girardville. Is it possible for them to submit reports to the newspaper? Mayor Burns said that they do submit reports to the paper. Mr. Clarke said that he never sees anything in the newspaper. Mayor Burns said that question has been raised before. Mr. Clarke said that they do a good job and should report it in the paper.

A. Engle – West Ogden Street – as a representative of the neighbors on the block. They realize that the Borough is up against it but he asked if anything could be done with the properties which are open, filthy, in bad shape and stink. The houses are stripped of anything of value. No one lives in these properties. Is there anything the borough can do to board them up to keep people out? He said that he is not going to have any choice but let his house go for taxes as he probably will not be able to sell it and move into an apartment. The house next door to his has an owner who comes in, works on the electrical with the green tag on the meter disappearing and mysteriously reappearing. They are afraid to sleeping; wondering what is going on in there. Some of the windows are out and the roof was “temporarily repaired”, without a permit. He then went on to talk about the neighbors and the houses next door to them that are falling down. Mr. Engle asked if something could be done to clean the street up. Mayor Burns said that they would look at this problem. He said that if given permission he would come down with a D-9 dozer. Solicitor C. Riedlinger said that there is a demolition section, in the property maintenance code, with prior notices, you can do it. Mayor Burns then said that there is a problem with what you are going to do with it then. Mayor Burns said that he himself and J. Wilson and R. Miller would set a date and come down to look at the problem.

V. Karavage, West Main Street – spoke about the Jones property on West Main Street. It is weeded up in the back, the front porch has a support that is ready to kick out and come down on the street or out into the street where it will land on a car. Has there been any action concerning Code Enforcement? He asked who owns it. Mayor Burns said that it is owned by an LLC. You send registered letters and get no response. We continue to try to get in touch with them. It will be put on the list of properties being investigated.

E. Labie stated that she has some address for a Deeds R Us LLC which she will give to Code Enforcement. J. Wilson said that he has sent letters to the address and is getting no response.

R. Miller said that there are ten (10) citations at the District Magistrate's office right now. Even the Magistrate gets no response. Mayor Burns said that there is an ordinance which was adopted by Ashland. We will have to get it, look at it and possibly adopt it. J. Wilson said that there is a State Law which basically voids the ordinance if an inspection is not done on the property before it is sold. We can do inspections of the properties when they come up for the County sells them. Know what needs to be done and give the owner's six (6) months to bring it up to code or tear it down.

R. Krick, 1 West Main Street - he said that you have approximately \$13,000 in the bank and the bills amount to approximately \$18,000. Are the bills approved and not have to be paid. The Secretary/Treasurer said that the current bills are all covered. The balance on the Treasurer's report is from August 31, 2014 and there has been money come in in the meantime.

Motion to adjourn made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Question? Vote. All.
Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ambrose
Secretary/Treasurer

BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE GIRARDVILLE, PA 17935

MEETING AGENDA: September 11, 2014

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 - f. Code Enforcement officer's report (if available)
 - g. Fire Chief's report (if available)
3. Unfinished Business
 - a.
4. New Business (including introduction of ordinances and resolutions)
 - a. Borough Hall needs a street address per the Communications Center
Effective 9/15/2014 it will be 201 Fourth Street
 - b. Effective 9/15/14 all mail will be delivered to the Borough Hall street address
 - c. Handicapped space for B Tacker – A Street
 - d. Fire Police – tag day – 9/29 – 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
 - e. Chuck Wagon – permission to come to the B Street Park – Fridays – 5:00 – 6:00 pm
 - f. Lease agreement for new police radios
 - g. Permission to close out the Recreation Grant Fund
5. Review and authorization to pay bills
Motion to transfer funds from the General to School fund
6. Correspondence
7. Reports of Committees, Council members and Solicitor (see folder)
8. **Open floor to public comment.**
9. Motion to adjourn

Next Meeting: October 9, 2014

Bills to be approved for
GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH
SEPTEMBER 2014

GENERAL FUND		
Aqua Pennsylvania	HYDRANTS	\$ 858.00
Aqua Pennsylvania	Boro Hall	\$ 99.90
AT&T		\$ 104.23
Verizon	wireless	\$ 131.09
Berkheimer	EIT/LST	\$ 147.52
GAMA		\$ 48.00
Geisinger Health Plan		\$ 2,652.96
Mary Ambrose	Gas	\$ 20.00
Entech Engineering	Bills owed from 2013 + current	\$ 1,500.00
Fire Chief	Frank Zagari - 3rd quarter	\$ 92.00
Gene's Auto	keys/file cabinets office	\$ 3.38
Keisters Security Service	keys	\$ 76.50
Lindermuth Lumber		\$ 23.00
Liquid Technologies	Resolve issue w/computer	\$ 48.75
MRM Worker's Comp	1st quarter	\$ 2,280.94
North Schuylkill Transfer Station		\$ 101.06
Direct Energy	BORO HALL	\$ 72.35
PP&L	BORO HALL	\$ 61.54
Direct Energy	SIREN	
PP&L	SIREN	\$ 14.50
PP&L	Park Light	\$ 39.53
Peifer's Fire Protection	Service Extinguishers	\$ 249.50
Premium Assignment	Insurance 1 of 10	\$ 872.91
Quali-T Electric	Install back flow	\$ 687.75
Riedlinger, Chris	8/14-9/3/14	\$ 1,225.00
Staples	file frame/paper	\$ 70.97
SWIF	Renewal Firefighter Worker's comp	\$ 4,064.00
USDA	Loan payment	\$ 1,556.00
YIS/Cowden	VASCAR/stopwatch	\$ 44.55
Wright Express		\$ 321.47
TOTAL DUE GENERAL FUND		\$ 17,467.40
MOTOR FUND		
Direct Energy	street lights	\$ 251.64
PP&L	street lights	\$ 2,079.31
TOTAL DUE MOTOR FUND		\$ 2,330.95
PERMIT ACCOUNT		
DCED		
BUI	August	\$ 106.05
TOTAL DUE PERMIT ACCOUNT		\$ 106.05

SCHOOL FUND		
GAMA		\$ 48.00
Quali-T Electric	install back flow	\$ 687.75
Aqua Pennsylvania		\$ 16.00
PPL		\$ 56.53
Direct Energy		
TOTAL DUE SCHOOL FUND		\$ 808.28
ESCROW ACCOUNT		
Zion Lutheran Church	demolition	\$ 2,000.00
POLICE FUND		
Miners Bank		\$ 377.85
Statement		\$ 4.00
TOTAL DUE POLICE FUND		\$ 381.85

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CORRESPONDENCE

MRM Trust – 2014-15 Certificate of Participation
PA One Call – short survey to be completed
Schuykill County Court House – bill for demolition West Main Street – forwarded to J. Feeser
Schuykill Community Action
Assorted other letters and seminars

GIRARDVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING SIGN IN SHEET SEPTEMBER 2014

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE
1 KARAGAGE	2196 MAID	
2 GAOO	779 W ST	
3 GAOLO, Kymone	Windville	
4 Louis GAOLO	2711 2nd St	
5 Marie Kabanack	31 W Ogden St	
6 Matt Caputo	27 W. Ogden St	
7 DR. M. G. GLOTT	335 G ST	
8 STEVE DRUGLIA	316 N. DAKOTA	
9 Gary Komarot	25 W Ogden St	
10 David Komarot	25 W Ogden St	
11 Robert Kirtz	Westport St	
12 F. Kirtz	61	
13 David Cornwell	Railroad St	
14 Michelle O'Connell	63 William St	
15 Steven Lee Paulitt	2416 W 2nd St.	
16 Tim Kuchner	117 N 4TH ST	
17 Mike Kuchner	240 East Ogden St	
18 Julie Kuchner	116 St	
19 Anthony Payne		
20 Edward J. Alie	334 OJ St.	
21 DON CLARKE	103 N 2nd	
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BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE

FOURTH & «B" STREETS

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Regular Meeting

PLACE: Municipal Bldg. DATE: October 9,2014 TIME: 7:30 PM

OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by C. Marquardt

ROLL CALL

Members present: D. Heiser, J. Kessler, C. Marquardt, R. Miller, Mayor E. Burns,

Solicitor C. Riedlinger

Members absent: H Brennan

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: None available due to Borough hall address change

Tax Collector's report: None available.

Mayor's report: Read by E. Burns. Motion to accept report as read made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Permit Officer's report: None available

Code Enforcement report: Motion to accept as submitted made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Fire Chiefs report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by D. Heiser, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried. F. Zangari had four recommendations for rental properties and landlords that Council should meet about.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Flood plain ordinance - C. Riedlinger reported that the ordinance was completed and ready for advertisement to be adopted next meeting. This is to adopt flood regulations which must be in place in order for people to get flood insurance. Motion to advertise the flood plain ordinance made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Resolution 2014-4 - for the purchase of police radios. The resolution was read in whole by C. Marquardt. This Resolution should have been adopted at last month's meeting along with the signed contract to purchase the new police radios. Motion to adopt made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Cellphone tower - C. Marquardt read the letter from Trileaf, the company installing a cell tower on Preston Hill. E. Burns said that the land was owned by his brother.

Good Time Club - request permission to host their annual Halloween parade, Sunday, October 26, 2014 at 2:00 pm. The parade to begin at Main and Julia Streets, proceed up Main Street to the Girard Hose Company. Motion to allow made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Motion to hold Trick-or-Treat night in the Borough on Thursday, October 30, 2014 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm made by D. Heiser, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

It was noted that we received the Liquid Fuels audit from the State for 2013.

It was noted that the keys for PO Box 5 were turned in to the post office. Our new mailing address is 201 North Fourth Street.

BILLS

Motion to pay the bills as read made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

North Schuylkill Landfill Association - meeting September 30, 2014. It was noted by C. Marquardt that our representative missed the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police: Nothing
Street: Nothing Parks:
Nothing Building:
Nothing

Solicitor C. Riedlinger asked that Council vote to give him permission to get started preparing for the Tax Anticipation Note. Motion to allow made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Question? None. Vote. All. Motion carried.

C. Riedlinger also reported that the tax assessment hearings were held for the eight properties on West Main Street which we are to hold until such time as they can be turned over to Schuylkill Community Action. These properties are now tax exempt.

PUBLIC COMMENT

J. Engle - 27 West Ogdan Street - She noted that the neighbors appreciate the Mayor and Code Enforcement Officers coming down and checking out the houses on our street. They wanted to know the status and if they found any of the people. E. Burns said that there were a few cited and they are going through the court system. The one had a blocked sewer, which was taken care of.

Mary Beth Dougherty 355 West Main Street - in a follow up question asked about Cherbies property falling practically into the creek. C. Marquardt asked J. Wilson to respond. J. Wilson replied that with the waterways there DEP was involved and taking care of the paperwork. M.B. Dougherty asked who gave that information. E. Burns said that we met with DEP, he could not recall exactly when. They said that because it was a waterway, they were involved and we have not heard from them since. M.B. Dougherty said that she spoke with DEP on Monday and was told that the only involvement they would have would be to permit the Borough into the waterway to alleviate the problem. The only thing that they would do is to waive the permitting requirement if anything should fall into the water. But as far as them fixing it up or being involved, do not buffalo people into thinking that DEP is coming in to fix the problem. So you might want to add it to the list because it belongs to us and not to the State.

E. Labie asked who owns the property. She was told that it is a woman who lived in West Mahanoy Township. Now we will have to have J. Wilson file follow through with the citations and possibly notice G. Bender that we have another demolition project.

M.B. Dougherty asked why doesn't the Borough file against the landlord for all these properties who are violating the occupancy ordinance. J. Wilson said that he has caught a few. He was asked why citations are not filed when they are already in violation of the ordinance. It do not matter that the properties get inspected when they are caught. Why aren't we getting hardnosed with these properties? We have an ordinance in place, use it. These landlords do not care about the town and the town looks like crap. You need to

play hardball with these people. C. Marquardt asked J. Wilson to look into this and give us a report.

J. Kerrigan asked if the Borough was doing anything about 627 East Mahanoy Avenue. The garage in the back is about to collapse, the back of the house has already collapsed, it is dangerous. It has been reported, they have been up and nothing has been done. J. Wilson said that the owner is Deed R Us LLC that is in Nevada and that is the only information we can get. C. Marquardt said that we would look into this.

V. Karavage - West Main Street - complained about the Jones property in the 200 block of West Main Street. The roof is falling in, there are weeds and a tree growing on the sidewalk, the back yard is a jungle. He asked if anyone had look at the place. C.

Marquardt said that the person on the deed is deceased and we are looking for a living relative. C. Riedlinger advised that the Borough could go to the Register of Wills and check if there is someone involved. He is just asking that you keep an eye on the property as it will be in the street before long.

J. Dunkle - owner of several rental properties - I had made several complaints to code enforcement back in August and September 2013. Again last month I sent a letter to the Mayor, Code Enforcement and Council President and to this date, 14 months later, I have received no communications regarding enforcement. J. Wilson has told me there are dozens of complaints against these people; he has been there numerous times. There is more garbage and rubbish in the yard and now there is another abandoned vehicle that was added to the one already in the yard. I get told that you will shut my building down and kick my tenants out because there is a problem with outlets but my neighbor has trash in the yard and rodents running around and the only thing that happened in the last 2 months was to put a black tarp over it. I put \$15,000 into my property and am trying to keep up on them and I am getting nowhere. The property in question is 114 East Main Street. J. Wilson said he gave him a month. J. Dunkle said you gave him a month last year. How many warnings do these people get?

A. Gregis - West Main Street - came to the meeting because he has been hearing that the Borough doesn't have a pot to piss in and I was wondering if this means another tax increase. R. Miller said that at this point in time we are not sure the budget is not done yet. We went into the year \$23,000 in debt. Over the course of the year we have done some things that resulted in savings of about \$7000 on benefits and the telephone. In January we will see another \$13,000 savings on benefits. At the most, a tax increase will be only one mil. R. Krick asked what the projected deficit is going into January. R. Miller replied about \$20,000. We came into the year \$23,000 in debt. He then outlined expenses that were not budgeted or under budgeted. We started this year \$43,000 in debt. M.B. Dougherty asked why then did you spend additional money when you knew about being so far in debt. A new cop car, you gave an unbudgeted raise to M. Soucheck, no disrespect intended, of \$1.00 an hour back in the spring, went out and hired per diem employees that were not budgeted but if they are not budgeted you are paying two people. In all fairness, you did start out with a deficit. But, three of the five

people sitting on Council were members of last year's Council so how you can say you didn't know, I don't understand. She asked how much was this year's Tax Anticipation Note? She was told \$50,000. She asked how much was budgeted. She was told \$40,000. This resulted in your going \$10,000 in debt. I recall coming to the March meeting and saying that you were in trouble then. Why didn't you realize it? R. Miller said that we don't get the same information you get. M. B. Dougherty said it is in the treasurer's report. R. Miller asked whose idea it was to give health insurance to borough employees and their spouses. M.B. Dougherty said that it was to get people to work here because the salaries are not the greatest. Then the school building was discussed in back and forth detail.

Paul Kowalick gave a check from the AOH for the patch work that was done on the 300 block of West Oak Street. C. Marguardt noted that they offered to fill some of the potholes on Oak Street and Beech Street. Then he addresses the school building. R. Krick was a proponent of recreation. And he noted that it is a big expense. He outlined the improvements that were made to the gym. He talked about the fact that they are losing children. He outlined their expenditures. He knows that things are bad but GBA is doing their best to donate to the borough.

M Haley - 135 West Main Street- complained about B. Adams properties once again. Nothing is ever done. Also, the property on the other side of her home that had an oil leak was and is a problem. She stated that she had called DEP, the Borough did nothing. J. Wilson said that if everyone wants him to cite people he will.

Marguardt said that there will be a meeting next week to discuss all the properties everyone complained about. There were 14 citations sent out.

M.B. Dougherty asked if we bought heating oil and salt yet. She was told that we have salt on hand and will order it when then supply starts to go down. As for oil, the tanks are full now so we are waiting to see.

It was asked from the floor what the cubicles were for? C. Marguardt said that the one cubical is for J Wilson for code enforcement and the other one is undecided as of now.

Mr. Martin -East Main Street - asked what keeps us coming together as a community and cleaning some of these properties up. C. Marguardt said that we cannot go on properties. Anyone who wants to come forward and assist with code enforcement is more than welcome. It requires some training. A meeting can be posted.

E. Labie asked residents who are interested, PRIDE still exists but we could use new members. The meeting is the last Monday of the month.

D. O'Connell and M. O'Connell both said that it is obvious what properties need to be looked and why should they clean up other people's property when there is enough to do with their own. The problem is the slumlords. Fines need to be issued.

M. Zangari - C Street - said that perhaps the Borough could look into a cleanup similar to the one done by North Schuykill High School. Every year students are asked to turn in volunteer sheets to graduate. There are a lot of kids who have no volunteer opportunities. The Borough could have an announcement made that they are having a cleanup day, with the date and time.

R. Kuzma noted that she has pride in town. She buys flowers and plants them in the park on Main Street and will continue to do so as long as her health is good.

There was then some discussion of LLC's and citing corporations which raised more questions than answers.

Motion to adjourn made by R. Miller, seconded by J. Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ambrose
Secretary/Treasurer

Code Enforcement report: Motion made to accept the report as submitted made by Dan Heiser, seconded by Rick Miller. Motion carried.

Fire Chief's report: Motion made to accept the report as submitted made by Joe Kessler, seconded by Rick Miller. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

- a. New Tower submission packet

New Business

- a. Announced the 2015 Budget to be \$388,915 Expenditures with \$400,000 income. Motion made to accept by Joe Kessler, Seconded by Dan Heiser, motion carried. Budget will be on display for 15 days. Vote. All. Motion carried.
- b. Flood Plain Ordinance 2014-2. Motion made to accept made by Joe Kessler, seconded by Rick Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.
- c. Authorized 2015 millage rate to be advertised at 19.7 motion to accept made by Dan Heiser, seconded by Joe Kessler. Vote. All. Motion Carried
- d. Ambulance Association ask for a tag day on November 23. Motion to accept made by Joe Kessler, Seconded by Rick Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.
- e. Good Time Club ask for permission to put up Christmas decorations on Saturday November 13, 2014. Motion made to grant permission by Joe Kessler, seconded by Dan Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried.
- f. Good Time Club ask for permission to have Santa Claus parade. Motion to grant permission made by Dan Heiser, seconded by Joe Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.
- g. Helen Ann Brennan submitted her letter of resignation from council stating personal reasons. Motion made to accept her resignation made by Dan Heiser, seconded by Joe Kessler. Council has 30 days to fill this seat. Vote. All. Motion Carried.
- h. Mary Ambrose submitted her resignation as Secretary/Treasurer of the Borough effective November 13, 2014. Motion to accept her resignation was made by Joe Kessler, seconded by Rick Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

- i. Motion made by Rick Miller to hire Candice Squires as Borough Secretary/Treasurer, seconded by Joe Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.
- j. Julia Rutko applied for handicap parking in front of her property at 116 A Street. Motion to accept this request made by Joe Kessler, seconded by Dan Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried.
- k. Mahanoy Creek Watershed ask to speak at this time. Roseann Wineright spoke first about them purchasing the Tom Yesaluskys property off 4th Street and how they want to put in a nature trail. Also Roseann spoke of them applying for a grant to help improve water for the borough. Dave Kramer said the trail would be approximately one-half mile in length. He said their plan is to remove all the trees and rubbish and put up a fence along the trail. They ask the borough for their support. Motion was made by Dan Heiser for borough to give their support, seconded by Joe Kessler. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Code Enforcement- Jeff Wilson has written some citations since last meeting and is working on more.

Recreation- It was reported by Dan Heiser that the CYO is renting the gym on weekends and by Rick Miller that there are rooms being rented out for storage.

Public Comment

Dan O'Connell ask if anyone knew who was bad mouthing Rob Krick and Mary Beth Dougherty in the news paper. Councilman Marquardt addressed Mr. O'Connell and assured him he knew of no one who might have done this.

Tom Bradshaw then ask why we have not adopted an ordinance that the Ashland Borough has. Mayor Burns told Mr. Bradshaw we already have ordinances in place that address the same issues. Mr. Bradshaw then ask

how much does a mill of taxes generate. Councilman Miller told Mr. Bradshaw that a mill generates approximately \$6,000. Mr. Bradshaw then questioned past tax raises of which councilman Miller replied he was not a part of council then and did not know the details of those tax raises.

Rob Krick then ask about the Police being paid \$20 an hour to work the parade, was it approved at a public meeting. Mayor Burns addressed Mr. Krick and said he believes so.

Michelle O'Connell ask about an apartment building near her home and if anything could be done about its dilapidated condition. She was assures it would be looked into by Code Enforcement.

Motion to adjourn by Joe Kessler, seconded by Dan Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Miller
Assistant Secretary

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Regular Meeting

PLACE: Municipal Bldg. **DATE:** DECEMBER 11, 2014 **TIME:** 7:30 PM

OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Charles Marguardt

ROLL CALL

Members present: Charles Marguardt, Rick Miller, Dan Heiser, Ed Burns, and Chris Riedlinger

Motion to appoint Michelle O'Connell to fill out the remainder Council member of Helenanne Brennan's term made by, Dan Heiser second by, Rick Miller. Voted All Motion Carried.
Michelle O'Connell was sworn in as Council member December 11, 2014. M. O'Connell was Sworn in by Mayor Ed Burns.

APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting made by Rick Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Motion to accept the report made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Tax Collector's report: None

Mayor's report: Read by E. Burns. Motion to accept report as read made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Permit Officer's report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by R. Miller, seconded by M. O'Connell. Vote. All. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement report: Motion to accept the report as submitted made by D. Heiser, seconded by R. Miller. Vote. All. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Solicitor: Chris Riedlinger spoke about Tax Resolution number 2014-6. Note tax anticipation loan. C. Riedlinger motion to vote authorized C. Margardt to sign estimated revenue sheet on behalf of the Borough. Motion to approve C. Margardt signature, submitted by Rick Miller. Second by D. Heiser. Voted. All Motion Carried.
- b. Motion to adopt Tax Resolution 2014-6 Tax anticipation Loan in the amount up to \$50,000.00 at 2.75% interest. R. Miller questioned amount to be at \$40,000.00. The resolution says can borrow up \$50,000.00. Does not require borrowing the full amount. Motion to accept Tax Resolution 2014-6 made by R. Miller, Second by D. Heiser. Voted All. Motion Carried.
- c. Ordinance 2014-3 fixing the Tax rate 19.7 Mills for 2015. Motion to accept Tax rate made by R. Miller. Second by, D. Heiser Voted: All, Motion, Carried.
- d. Special Meeting to Adopt the Budget for 2015. Date, Friday December 26th at 9am. Motion to have meeting only purpose to adopt 2015 budget made by, D. Heiser. Second by R. Miller. Voted All. Motion Carried.
- e. Motion to approve the Secretary to list 2015-Meeting dates, times, and work sessions in Newspaper. Meetings will continue to be held on second Thursday of each month at 7:30pm. Work session stays on second Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm. Motion to run Newspaper made by R. Miller. Second by M. O'Connell. Voted All. Motion Carried.
- f. Blight Task Force: D. Heiser gets together with Code Enforcement Jeff Wilson, R. Miller, Mayor E. Burns, Fire Chief Fran Zangari, and the Permit Officer Ann Soucheck. D. Heiser trying to get in touch with other communities for ideas, tips on what they can use to improve Girardville and be more aggressive. D. Heiser and M. O'Connell will be on the Blight committee, Code Enforcement, Fire Chief, and Permit Officer will all be involved and keep all informed what they will be doing as they go.
- g. Amendments Code Of Conduct: changes to be made.
 1. Employees will be paid for the hours that they work. No one can work beyond their scheduled hours without the approval of a council person.
 2. \$100.00 Dollar rule applies to everyone no exceptions; you can spend under \$100.00 without the approval of councilmember. However, a purchase order is required to be filled out and approved by a member of the finance committee. Any purchase over \$100.00 must be approved by the entire Council.

3. Each Employee is a part of the budget and needs to realize once your budget is liquidated there is no guarantee of any further funds available to your budget.
 4. All employees are required to punch a time clock. Everyone must punch in and punch out. Time card must be signed by a council person. Preferably your supervisor, if supervisor is not available any council person may sign it.
 5. Any violation of these amendments code of conducts will be reprimanded by the standard set forth by the current code of conduct manual.
- Police Only: There are no quarantined hours at any time. The mayor reserves the right to not schedule you without giving a reason in essence you are per diem workers "as needed".
- D. Heiser questions not just the finance committee can approve the purchase order but any councilman. Motion to accept that change made by D. Heiser. Second by M O'Connell Voted. All Motion Carried.
- h. Christmas tree pick up: Will be held January 5th to January 15th. Trees will be collected when there is a full load they'll be taken to Ashland. A Club that wants them for wild life.
 - i. December 30th 2014 last day of curb side recycling. No curbside recycling January thru March 2015 due to the in climate weather. Curbside recycling will resume in April 2015.
 - j. Letter from Girardville Good Time Club is asking for permission to remove the Christmas Decorations in January 2015 weather permitting. Permission to post the polls to have cars removed if they are in the way. Motion to grant permission to Good Time Club made by R. Miller. Second by M. O'Connell. Voted. All Motion Carried.
 - k. Annual St. Patrick's Day parade, March 21st 2015. Letter from Girardville St. Patty's Day Parade Committee is requesting permission from the Council to conduct the annual St. Patrick's parade on the caption date. Special Events application will be filed to the Department of Transportation shortly. Mayor Ed Burns will be handling the Police Security for the event. Any questions direct it to the Mayor or Joseph J Wayne (Parade Chairman). Motion to grant permission for Parade made by D Heiser. Second by R. Miller Vote All. Motion Carried.
 - l. Hibernian House is asking for the extension of the license premises to include the sale of alcohol beverages within the confines of Beech and Lime Street on March 21st 2015. This is in conjunction with the Ancient Order of Hibernians Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee Ceremony which following the parade on those streets. Formal application will be filed with the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board and all activities will be established with the PLCB guidelines. Would appreciate a formal notice of permission as that is the required by the PLCB prior to them issuing a permit. Motion to Grant extension for the license made by R. Miller. Second by M. O'Connell. Voted All. Motion Carried.

BILLS

Motion to approve the bill list as submitted and read was made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser Voted. All Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police: None

Street: None

School Building: None

Personnel: New Police Officer James Greech. Motion to hire made by D. Heiser. Second by R. miller Vote all Motion Carried.

Code/QoFL: None

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. The park on east side. Bench covered in snow and destroyed can something be done to correct this. C. Marquardt stated to remove bench during the winter and replace them back in spring.
2. Tom thanked the boro and police department for the drug raid last month. Also putting the news of it in the newspaper under the police log.
3. Julie asked about her handicap parking place. Waiting on sign to come in.
4. Rob Krick asked about 10,000 Surplus and to check into it. Thought it should be zero budgets.
5. Coming in this year \$23,000 delinquent. Should be around \$10,000 coming out of it from 2014. Bills were from previous year catching up on.
6. Any department got increase in funding? Street department will receive an increase. The budget goes \$8,000 to \$11,000.

Motion to adjourn made by R. Miller, seconded by D. Heiser. Vote. All. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Candice Squires
Secretary/Treasurer