

**BOROUGH OF BRADDOCK HILLS**  
**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**June 17, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Robert Henkel, President of Council, called the regularly scheduled council meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Robert Henkel, President of Council, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALLING OF THE ROLL**

Council Present: Mr. Henkel, President of Council; Mr. Arthrell, Vice President of Council; Mr. Evans;  
Ms. Bolton; Mr. Evonich

Others Present: Mr. Brown, Jr., Mayor; Robert Garvin, Solicitor; Cheryl Sorrentino, Secretary

Council Absent: Mr. Gambino; Ms. Kostelec

**CALLING FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES AS POSTED**

Motion to approve minutes from May 20, 2015 meeting made by Mr. Arthrell.

All Ayes

**CALLING FOR BIDS**

No bids.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence was distributed prior to meeting.

**COMMENTS & CRITICISMS OF CITIZENS (6 minutes each)**

Dan Matoney, 1420 Nurnath Street – Mr. Matoney asked if residents that violate ordinances receive warning letters for repeated violations and what was the timeline.

Mr. Arthrell stated that they receive warning letters, but if the matter is not addressed then they are cited for the violation.

Jared Checchio, 71 Pennsylvania Avenue – Mr. Checchio requested that council consider removing borough fees from the garbage account for 1406 Brinton Road. His mother is deceased and the borough was sent a letter from their lawyer with this request.

Solicitor Garvin stated that this matter was on the agenda and council will vote to approve or deny their request.

Dave Ginsburg, 9 Orchard Street – Mr. Ginsburg expressed his appreciation of the demolition of 102 Center Street and asked about the status of the property. Also, he stated that the vehicles used in the demolition damaged a street sign.

Mr. Arthrell stated that the demolition contractors were not finished and has been made aware of the situation. Also, he will look into the damage caused by the contractor.

**REPORT OF BOROUGH COMMITTEES**

**FINANCE – CHAIRPERSON BOLTON**

No report.

**PUBLIC SAFETY – CHAIRPERSON GAMBINO**

No report.

**ZONING & ORDINANCE –CHAIRPERSON EVONICH**

Motion to approve Resolution #5 of 2015 approving the acquisition and subsequent disposition of block and lot number 300-E-313 to be used in accordance with the comprehensive plan of the municipality

Motion – Mr. Evonich

Seconded – Ms. Bolton

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

**HEALTH & SANITATION SERVICES – CHAIRPERSON KOSTELEK**

Motion to deny request from Sebring and Associates regarding the removal of late fees from delinquent garbage account for 1406 Brinton Road.

Motion – Mr. Arthrell

Seconded – None

Motion to table request from Sebring and Associates regarding the removal of late fees from delinquent garbage account for 1406 Brinton Road. Council will vote at meeting on July 15, 2015.

Motion – Mr. Arthrell

Seconded – Mr. Evonich

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

**BUILDINGS & BOROUGH PROPERTY –CHAIRPERSON EVANS**

No report.

**PUBLIC WORKS – CHAIRPERSON ARTHRELL**

Mr. Arthrell stated that the public works department has been working quickly to cut grass within the borough. Also, they will be paving streets when the weather is more accommodating and equipment becomes available for their use.

**REPORT OF BOROUGH OFFICERS**

**MAYOR – JOHN BROWN, JR.**

Mayor Brown read the police report for the month of May 2015 (see attached).

Mayor Brown stated that he met with Braddock Hills Fire Department, along with Mr. Arthrell, to begin a dialogue with their members.

**SOLICITOR – ROBERT GARVIN**

No report.

**ENGINEER - SENATE ENGINEERING**

Mr. Garvin read the Engineer's report (see attached).

**REPORT OF COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS: CHAIRPERSON ARTHRELL**

Mr. Arthrell stated that he attended a meeting in regards to the merger of the Council of Governments.

### **THREE RIVERS WET WEATHER: CHAIRPERSON ARTHRELL**

No report.

### **COMMUNICATIONS: CHAIRPERSON KOSTELEK**

Mr. Arthrell stated that he spoke with a representative with *Valley Mirror* newspaper and that she was impressed by the borough's website.

### **ZONING HEARING BOARD**

No report.

### **REPORT OF TREE & VEGETATION COMMITTEE**

No report.

### **REPORT OF EMC – ROBERT HENKEL, II**

No report.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion to award bid for 2015 Sewer Repair Project to Jet Jack in the amount of \$170,373.75

Motion – Mr. Arthrell

Seconded – Mr. Evans

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

Mr. Arthrell stated that he would like submit a letter of thanks to Progressive Insurance for their donation. A wreath was donated and placed at the Borough Memorial the weekend prior to Memorial Day.

Mr. Evonich suggested that the Borough Memorial needs maintenance. Also, he stated that he noticed flags that included pictures of soldiers along the road in North Braddock and that he was impressed by the display. Also, he stated that the maintenance and improvement to the Borough Memorial may be a project for Braddock Hills Neighbors.

Mr. Arthrell suggested that Mr. Evonich to research the improvements needed and asking volunteers to handle the project.

### **CALLING FOR APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT AS POSTED**

Motion to approve the treasurer's report by Mr. Arthrell.

All ayes.

### **CALLING FOR APPROVAL TO PAY ALL BILLS AS POSTED IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$72,691.77 TO INCLUDE:**

General fund expenses of \$51,380.75

Refuse fund expenses of \$8,578.02

Sewer fund expenses of \$12,733.00

Motion – Mr. Arthrell

Seconded – Mr. Evans

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous – Carried

### **ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING TO THE CALL OF THE CHAIR**

Mr. Henkel adjourned meeting at 8:11 p.m.