

REGULAR MEETING
BOROUGH COUNCIL
MALVERN BOROUGH

DECEMBER 18, 2007
7:00 P.M.

PRESIDING: Henry H. Briggs, President

INVOCATION: Gerard J. McGlone, Mayor

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – led by Hayden Briggs

As the Manager was absent for this meeting, both Council President Briggs and Council Vice President VanSciver agreed to take minutes of the meeting.

1. ROLL CALL:
Council President Briggs
Council Vice President VanSciver
Council Member Crawford
Council Member Edge - ABSENT
Council Member Lynch - ABSENT
Council Member Raymond
Council Member Smith
Mayor McGlone - ABSENT

2. PUBLIC FORUM:

Council President informs all present that copies of the agenda are available at the press desk. This is a Public Session of Council. Should any citizen/taxpayer wish to offer comments on any item on the agenda, now is the time to bring those comments before Council. Are there any citizens/taxpayers who wish to bring before Council any item not on the agenda?

There were no comments from the public.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Council Vice President VanSciver, seconded by Council Member Smith and unanimously carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the minutes of the meetings held on Wednesday, November 7, 2007 and Tuesday, November 20, 2007, as submitted.

4. APPROVAL OF REPORTS:

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Crawford and unanimously carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the Treasurer's Report, the Committee Reports for Finance and Administration, Public Safety, Public Works and the Chief of Police Report, the Code Enforcement Officer's Reports (Building Inspector's Report, Housing and Property Maintenance Report and Zoning Report), the Superintendent of Public Works Report and the Manager's Report for the month of November 2007 as submitted.

5. PUBLIC HEARING – INCREASE ANNUAL SEWER RENTAL RATE:

Council President announces that Borough Council will now open the public hearing to consider increasing the minimum quarterly sewer rental rate from \$75.60 to \$90.60.

The Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Daily Local News on December 9, 2007, as required.

6. ORDINANCE NO. 2007-6 – INCREASING ANNUAL SEWER RENTAL RATE:

A motion was made by Council Member Crawford, seconded by Council Member Smith and unanimously carried by a vote of 5-0 to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-6, an Ordinance amending Chapter 168, entitled “Sewers”, specifically Section 168-7 A. (1) & (2), of the Malvern Borough Code or Ordinances in order to increase the annual rental rate.

7. ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2008:

A motion was made by Council Member Smith, seconded by Council Member Raymond and unanimously carried by a vote of 5-0 to adopt the Proposed Budget for 2008 as presented.

8. PUBLIC HEARING – FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR 2008:

Council President announces that Borough Council will now open the public hearing to consider fixing the tax levy for 2008.

The Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Daily Local News on December 9, 2007, as required.

Michael Collins, 239 Miner Street, asked about the millage rate for 2008.

9. ORDINANCE NO. 2007-7 – FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2008:

A motion was made by Council Member Raymond, seconded by Council Member Smith and unanimously carried by a vote of 5-0 to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-7, an Ordinance of Malvern Borough, Chester County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Fixing the Tax Rate for the Year 2008 as follows:

Tax Rate for General Purposes	3.2197 Mills, 32.197 Cents
Total:	3.2197 Mills, 32.197 Cents

10. RELEASE OF ESCROW FUNDS- HIBERNIA HOMES, OLD LINCOLN HIGHWAY:

A motion was made by Council Vice President VanSciver, seconded by Council Member Crawford and unanimously carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve Escrow Release #2, in the amount of \$5,108.90, for the project located at 146 Old Lincoln Highway, as recommended by the Borough Engineer.

11. RESIGNATION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT HENRY H. BRIGGS:

Council President Henry H. Briggs announced his resignation from Council. A copy of his letter to the town is included as a part of these minutes.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Council Member Crawford, seconded by Council Member Raymond and unanimously carried by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Kelley
Secretary/Manager