

**BOROUGH OF GLENOLDEN
GLENOLDEN, PENNSYLVANIA**

COUNCIL MEETING**OCTOBER 21, 2008**

MR. DANZI
MR. PFAFF
MR. BOOTHBY
MS. NELSON
MAYOR BATHURST

MR. MCGETTIGAN
MRS. CICALA
MR. PUPPIO
MR. HOOVER

PRESIDENT DANZI – Please rise for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

President Danzi – Before we go into our regular order of business we're going to turn the meeting over to the Mayor for a presentation.

Mayor Bathurst – One of the unsung heroes that keeps Glenolden Borough safe and functioning efficiently with our school district is our crossing guards, and we have a large representation of them here this evening because one of their number is going to retire. Carol if you would be kind enough to come up. Carol Stites-Luka has served the corner of MacDade and Ashland Avenues for I believe 22 years. Carol and all of her colleagues are there morning, sometimes at lunch and afternoon, everyday, all kinds of weather and I think if we ask Carol she could probably tell us some harrowing stories of clipped, run over, yelled at. I'm sure the obvious finger has been presented as could a lot of our crossing guards. Carol, on behalf of Borough Council we'd like to present you with this plaque in recognition of your twenty-two years of service to the Borough and for what you have done. I think that Carol is one of the longest serving crossing guards that we have, so for this we would say thank you and God speed for the rest of your years. (Applause)

Mrs. Stites-Luka thanked and acknowledged Council for their presentation of a plaque in appreciation for her twenty-two years of service.

MOTION by Mr. Pfaff seconded by Mr. Boothby to approve minutes of the previous meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Mr. Pfaff seconded by Mr. Boothby to approve the Treasurer's Report.

MOTION CARRIED

BIDS & CORRESPONDENCE – No bids or correspondence.

President Danzi – Okay.

MOTION by Mr. Pfaff seconded by Mr. Boothby to go out of the regular order of business to hear from the public with any questions pertaining to the motions listed on the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

PRESIDENT DANZI – Any questions on agenda items tonight?

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE & LAW – Mr. McGettigan No new report

PUBLIC & SAFETY – Mr. Quinn (read by Mr. Pfaff)

	CASH	CHECKS	TOTAL
<u>Parking Tickets</u>	780.00	780.00	1,560.00
<u>Accidents</u>	86.00	280.00	366.00
<u>Dog/Weeds/Snow</u>	0.00	0.00	0.00
<u>Magistrate Tozer</u>	0.00	*3,799.46	*3,799.46
<u>D.U.I.</u>	0.00	783.71	783.71
Totals	\$866.00	\$5,643.17	\$6,509.71

*August fines

49	Crimes Code Arrests
165	Vehicle Code Arrests/Citations Issued
270	Parking Tickets Issued
0	Borough Ordinance Citations
768	Incidents

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Glenolden Fire Company Report for September, 2008

Maintenance report for the month:

All trucks were kept clean throughout the month.

Weekly inspections and routine maintenance performed on each truck.

Weekly equipment checks performed on each truck.

The following is a list of extra repairs and/or maintenance performed on the apparatus:

Extra Activities performed by the members:

Received the 1st Place Fire Prevention award at the Pennsylvania State Convention held in

Gettysburg. Attended the Fallen Firefighter's Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland to honor Michael Reagan of Sharon Hill Fire Company

Fire/ Drill Report for September 2008

No. of Alarms	In Town	Out of Town	Y.T.D.	Answering Alarms	Minutes in Service	Man Minutes
24	7	17	284	19	664	4897

No. of Drills	YTD	Total Members Attending	Total Minutes In Service	Total Man Minutes
3	37	29	435	4080

Nature of Alarms

Asst. Police	Service Call	Other	PECO Equip.	M.V.A.	Fire Alarms
1	2	1	1	1	1

Mutual Aid - Assist for Fire: 17

HIGHWAY & LIGHTS – Mr. Boothby

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STREET CLEANING

Cleaned all streets with street sweeper

Cleaned inlets throughout the Boro

OTHER JOBS PERFORMED

Replaced signs throughout borough as needed

Painted white lines for school crossings

Removed pole on corner of Chester Pike & Oak Ave

Installed post & Do Not Block Drive sign on Ashland at Wawa entrance

EQUIPMENT

Checked and maintained fluids in all equipment

Washed and cleaned all trucks, street sweeper, & paint machine

Dropped off truck # 1 for alignment

HEALTH AND SEWER – Mr. McGarvey

Sewers were checked and maintenance performed in September.

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OTHER JOBS PERFORMED

Called out to check sewer lines and ramjet lines throughout the borough

EQUIPMENT

Cleaned and maintained machinery

· **Health & Sewer Report for the month of September 2008**

Street Openings	3	Total fees collected	\$400.00
Plumbing permits issued	3	Total fees collected	\$387.00
Plumbing Registrations issued	2	Total fees collected	\$150.00

Turned over to the Borough Secretary the total sum of: **\$937.00**

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HEALTH OFFICER – Phyllis Duffy

September 2008

Communicable Diseases Reported: 0

Animal Bites Reported: 0

Inspections/licenses issued: 3

Falone's Steaks – 47-9 S. Chester Pike
Glenolden Elementary School – Knowles/MacDade Blvd.
Walter Senkow Elementary School – Lamont/Glen Ave.
Complaints:

Pool – 17 E. Cooke Ave – currently being drained and liner removed.
Respectfully Submitted,
Phyllis Duffy, RN MHR

PARKS & PROPERTY – Mrs. Cicala

Picked up trash at all borough buildings throughout the month
Emptied trash cans in playgrounds, ball fields and parks when needed
Dragged all three fields daily with the Kubota

OTHER JOBS PERFORMED

Cut and trimmed all borough properties
Repaired swings at Lamont Ave Park
Replaced bad ballast & 3 lights at boro hall
Replaced switch on front end loader
Repaired stone wall on monument hill
Repaired gate next to snack bar
Painted white lines and handicap lines in all borough parking lots
Painted benches in lower park
Removed flags on Knowles Ave.
Cleaned bathrooms at park guard
Adjusted float in bathroom at library and reset light timer

EQUIPMENT

All mowers and Kubota washed and checked

BUILDING & ZONING – Mr. Pfaff

Permit Fee's Report for the month of September 2008

PERMIT FEES COLLECTED:

Permit Fees collected:	\$2,020.00
U & O application & re-inspection fees:	\$ 450.00

CONTRACTOR REGISTRATIONS ISSUED:

Total Registrations	5
Fees collected	\$ 375.00

Turned over to the Borough Secretary the total sum of: **\$2,845.00**

ENGINEER – Ms. Nelsonn **Knowles Avenue Curb and Sidewalk Project**

JMCs pay request and change order No. 1 has been forwarded to the OHCD on September 17, 2008

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n **Knowles Avenue Underpass**

We responded to the October 10, 2008 letter from the PA Office of Budget regarding the Special Conditions for the funding. The Environmental Clearance has been received, and the Type, Size and Location Report is being finalized for submission to PENNDOT.

n **Burger King**

We forwarded plans for recording to Ken Kynett, attorney for Burger King.

n **Road Program**

We issued award letters to A. F. Damon and Innovative Construction as well as notified unsuccessful bidders. The work on restoration of the Aqua trench on Scott Avenue is underway.

n **Top Quality Manufacturing**

We have completed our review of their Stormwater Management Plans and calculations. We expect revised plans prior to the issuance of permits.

n **Harrison Avenue Sinkhole**

We are in the process of investigating the Borough boundary with Norwood to determine responsibility for the repair.

SOLICITOR – Mr. Puppio No new report

PRESIDENT DANZI – Old / New business

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FINANCE & LAW – Mr. McGettigan

MOTION by Mr. McGettigan seconded by Mrs. Cicala to adopt Resolution #06-08 for Destruction of Specific Records. **MOTION CARRIED**

PUBLIC SAFETY – Mr. Quinn No new report

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HIGHWAY & LIGHTS – Mr. Boothby

MOTION by Mr. Boothby seconded by Mr. Pfaff to adopt Resolution # 07-08 authorizing the Borough Manager to sign the Master Agreement for Adjustment of Incorporated Utility Facilities. **MOTION CARRIED**

HEALTH & SEWER – Mr. McGarvey No new report

PARKS & PROPERTY- Mrs. Cicala No new report

BUILDING & ZONING – Mr. Pfaff No new report

MAYOR BATHURST – The Police Department in September were engaged in two different operations. One was Smooth Operator which was the Police Departments targets aggressive drivers, and this year they were operating over by Glenolden School. During that time they came in contact with 48 different vehicles resulting in 34 citations, 15 being for violations in the school zone. The other was a DUI checkpoint that they've had here in town. There were no DUI arrests, but there were nine traffic citations. The Officers under Chief Donohue and Sgt. Kelly have been aggressive in the enforcement over on MacDade Blvd. The number of citations there are quite high. The other is that the members of the department when on duty are now carrying tasers, so we would recommend if you encounter an officer you think twice before you give him a hard time. Also, the Chief and Sgt. have been discussing different plans have to be put in place for when the Phillies win. That will be a night to remember, going back to the Flyers games they were quite something with their championships. But the Chief and Sgt. are trying to get things under control along with being Halloween thrown in there. Mr. Hoover may see an increase in the payroll department there. But also, Mr. Hoover, Ms. Nelson and Council, there's a big thank you for the work you're doing with the Road Program. Yes, it's difficult getting around town but it's another major improvement along with the

Park and Mr. Hoover's endeavors with the bridge down at South Avenue. After forty some years, we're finally getting it painted. It was down to the original metal, I believe when you could see the old Pennsylvania Railroad signature on the bridge. Finally, it's Red Ribbon time again. It's a campaign for public and community education for a commitment to drug-free healthy lifestyles by wearing and displaying a red ribbon. Therefore, be it resolved that the Borough of Glenolden hereby declare October 23-October 31, 2008 to be: **RED RIBBON WEEK; WORKING TOWARD A DRUG FREE COMMUNITY.** There you are Mr. President.

President Danzi – Thank you sir.

PRESIDENT DANZI – Now, a motion to go out of the regular order of business to hear from the public tonight.

MOTION by Mr. Pfaff seconded by Mr. Boothby to go out of the regular order of business to hear from the public. **MOTION CARRIED**

PRESIDENT DANZI – Anyone from the public wish to address us tonight?

Michael Garraty, 320 E. Knowles Ave – Down on Sharp and Knowles, that very quiet street, we don't have any curbs, but I knew eventually I would have to put a curb in when I moved so I thought let me take care of it now. It's a costly job and we started the job and he put it right up against the road which was, he didn't check with these guys first and Kenny proposed it be moved back and, after he did all that work, he never came back again. So I was out a third of the payments. So Kenny proposed that if he moved back a little bit into my yard to widen the road somewhat and which was fine he wasn't sure if that was gonna be the last decision and a few days later they decided that they're gonna move the road about ten feet up into my yard, it's not legally your property but I've been taken care of it all of these years.

President Danzi – Let me fill in a little bit. What happened there was a property line issue street to Mr. Garraty's property line as he said he wanted to put a curb in and how it happened Mr. Pfaff, Building and Zoning and Mr. Boothby, Highway and Lights went up with the Code Enforcement Officer to look at the situation and what I'm gathering is the determination was not agreed with, is that correct? I just want to let everyone know that was interested what had happened and where we are at this point so they know that.

Mr. Garraty – Yeah, so they want to widen the road which would take quite a bit of property on my side, all on my side which I felt first of all was unnecessary, it's not a heavily traveled street. Fifty percent of the traffic is the people on our street. Ann lives on our street. I think it's necessary to make such a wide road, I understand it could use to be a little bit wider but what they decided to, how much they decided to widen it I don't think is necessary. I don't really like it to be honest with you.

President Danzi – Let's have Mr. Boothby and Mr. Pfaff speak for themselves. I would like to interject this, for whatever it's worth, although we're all residents, we're all neighbors, we all understand when some of these things don't go our way. Part of the problem up in your area, is that prior Council has continued, and sometimes we're forced to continue making exceptions, creating additional problems by setting precedence that we have to continue to give it to each person who comes up here. And I'm not opposed to working with anyone, I don't think anyone on Council is, it's just that I don't know fully what their determination was. I'll let them speak for themselves. Prior

Council, prior to me getting on Council, they built a couple new homes up there and they waived the sidewalk. It's a law you need sidewalks and you need curbing at some point. Not everyone has them but when you go to sell a house it's a requirement. Is that correct, they waived the sidewalks, they just made them put curbs in?

Mr. Garraty – There were never sidewalks or curbs in those two streets.

President Danzi – By code it's required and there are places in town that don't have that. We keep making (inaudible from coughing) precedence, everyone comes up and says, my neighbor got away with a shed on his property line why can't I? Or, my neighbor put a roof on, so why can't I? Why don't we let Mr. Pfaff and Mr. Boothby tell you what they determined because I am not fully aware, just got some bits and pieces of what they decided.

Mr. Pfaff – What we came up with, Sharp Avenue across Glenolden Avenue has a measurement of thirty right now, of course most of our roads in Glenolden are anywhere from twenty-five feet, maybe some less and some more, depending on the zoning map, if it's an R-1, 2 or 3. Brian, myself and Dave Rich went up there, we took some measurements and the way they set the telephone pole on the street, all line up in a straight line that follows across Glenolden Avenue and Sharp Avenue and that's what I explained to Mike that we were following that line and continue that to widen the road a little bit, for parking and to allow fire engines to make turns around the corner and trash trucks. I think that's one of the main reasons pretty much because of the safety of getting fire trucks around there. Now getting back to what Mike wants to do there, if we went back to the telephone pole at the least would be 27 feet to thirty feet, twenty eight feet at the wide point it would be thirty. So, that being said there are streets that are 25 feet. Personally I feel that we can gain a couple of feet and the telephone pole be on a wider strip of grass and then you'd have the road. Might allow for some parking on one side and cars would have to let the other car go by.

President Danzi – I'd just like to ask if you made some kind of decision (talking over one another).

Mr. Pfaff – The decision was to go with what the poles were (talking over one another) we came to that conclusion, Mike wasn't happy with it, we're gonna have to bring this up to Council and vote on it.

President Danzi – There's nothing to vote on, technically, Jim.

Mr. Boothby – We had gone over the first day the contractor had started digging the trench for the curbing and he was trying to follow the road which the curbing was very, you know, not in a straight line to say the least. We had discussed options of what we could do but when we left that day I was under the impression that Dave and your contractor were gonna come back the next morning do the measurements and then draw, do a straight line from Glenolden Avenue, you know, where the curb was there and just follow that straight down. And we discussed instead of doing a 90 degree cut at Sharp and Knowles is to actually round it out and follow behind the sewer, the storm inlet.

President Danzi – Okay, I guess what I'm trying to determine is if you guys handling that have made a decision or are you reconsidering the decision that you made.

Mr. Pfaff – Well Tom, what I would say here I would be willing to take a look at it, address going in there and gaining him a couple feet because aesthetically I think in that area because there's not a high volume of traffic and I think we could still work that turn.

President Danzi – We'll refer this to the Solicitor.

Mr. Puppio - Depending upon the situation that can be something that can be worked out. There's nothing for Council to vote on this evening, the suggestion that I would offer you is that Ms. Nelson and I and whatever other Borough officials in the next couple of days (speaking over one another)

President Danzi – Here's my concern; Brian is our Chief Code Enforcer, we have boundaries and

every time we do this then it sets a precedent for someone else to come in and say you know what I want to move my curb out so many feet into the street because you're letting Mr. Garraty do it.

Mr. Puppio – Each situation is taken individually, you take a look at the situation and take the totality of the circumstance into account and that'll be a decision (inaudible)

President Danzi – So, we'll take another look at it and see what the determination is.

(Talking over one another)

Mr. Pfaff – On Knowles Avenue personally I think we should keep it that way, bringing it back to the inlet because that's the way that inlet was designed and most definitely that's tighter in that one corner area for a fire truck or even a trash truck to make that turn. If we can do something on Sharp Avenue, then that would be for us to determine.

President Danzi – Not to rehash old things, what I remember when I wasn't on Council but went to Council meetings back when they built those houses, I think that was one of the reasons they didn't put sidewalks in cause you're concerned it would make the street too narrow, correct when they did that.

Mr. Garraty – I don't recall that, I don't think they really had intentions of putting sidewalks in there. It's kind of an unusual area there.

President Danzi – They definitely did because I remember they were going to put sidewalks in, they waived that, they went back and waived that. I do have to worry though, that (bantering back and forth)

Mr. Puppio – Let's have it looked at and have a site decision.

President Danzi – The last thing we want to do is inconvenience someone who's trying to fix their property and we don't want to do that. We just want to be careful of setting precedence and every time we turn around it's being used against us. Okay, how about we have a visit, we'll see what we can come up with.

Mr. Garraty – Now when you widen these, now you know where the Boons live you'll that will cut right through his parked car.

Mr. Hoover – He's aware of that. He came out actually the one day and he's aware of where the property line is and understands that that's Borough property.

(talking over one another)

President Danzi – Why don't we take a look at it see if there's any compromise we can come to and if there's another resident or two involved that could be inconvenienced or their patterns change we should make them aware of that also. Okay.

Mr. Garraty – But they did put curbs on the other side about two years ago and they went up against the road (inaudible) it's coming off of my side, more or less.

President Danzi – But I'm not sure why that is or we can go back look at it if they even got a permit. Sometimes we try to keep an eye on that but people put things in there without us even knowing about it sometimes, so we'll take a look at it and then we can see if there's (inaudible) Well let's take a look at that and see if we can come up with a compromise, fair enough?

Mr. Garraty – Sounds good.

President Danzi – Okay, thanks for coming in.

Dave Keen, 511 Tatnall Ave; Nashara Falcone, 213 W. Ashland Ave; Brian Razzi, 402 Benson -

Mr. Keen – We understand I believe the Police department has been contacted about a situation that's become a real hot bed of a problem by Glenolden Elementary School. We all have young children at that school and there seems to be a real problem with that bar next to it. We have documentation as to

when several things had occurred and who was contacted who acted who didn't act we can show you any of that.

President Danzi – What we can do after the meeting we can take a few minutes, I happen to have the Police Chief in the back of the room and we can confer with what he knows, I know that there's an issue, I've spoken to Joe Flynn personally and know that the police have been involved. Beings we have the Chief here, why don't we speak to him and see what he can tell us and maybe he can fill you in.

Mr. Keen – That's great, our main concern was following up making sure it was being addressed and see what we could do as residents to keep this moving forward. We just can't allow this to continue with our kids.

President Danzi – Sometimes you get these newsletters in the mail from us and they don't always show that we all live here, we're all residents here and the last thing we want is any kind of nuisance like that, some of us have kids, grandkids and that's something that we don't want to get any attraction in this town, but you're always welcomed in, if there's something that we don't know or the Chief doesn't know, in fact we'll work that out after this public comment and time and in two minutes we'll be done the meeting and we can talk. Fair enough?

Mr. Keen – Yes. Thank you.

PRESIDENT DANZI – Any one else wish to address Council tonight, okay.

MOTION by Mr. Pfaff seconded by Mr. Boothby to pay all bills as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION by Mr. Pfaff seconded by Mr. Boothby to adjourn this meeting. **MOTION CARRIED**

Adjourned meeting at 8:20 PM

ATTEST

Brian H. Hoover
Borough Manager
BHH/dw