

CALL TO ORDER

In the absence of President Benusa, the Regular Meeting of Oakmont Borough Council was called to order at 7:35 PM by Vice President Bland.

ROLL CALL

Present: Messrs. Bland, Favo, Federici, Kennedy, Myers, and Taliaferro, members of Council; Mayor Fescemyer; Solicitor Shoop; and, Roger A. Dunlap, Jr., Borough Manager and Ex-Officio Borough Secretary

Excused: President Benusa

Visitors: Gene Alese, Jake Cappa, Gina Datres, Mark Flynn, Les Leasure, Tom Meising, Jim Trangle and Holly Usher

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All those who were present and able stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Vice President Bland asked if any Riverview School District representatives wished to speak about night-time sports events at Riverside Park tonight.

Mr. Dunlap reviewed what had occurred between Council and the School District with regard to this issue. Mr. Bland said Council was aware that the School District had done all that was asked of it by Council, and thanked them for their cooperation, adding that Council has agreed to permit the sporting events at the Park, as requested.

Athletic Director Jake Cappa thanked Council for their cooperation and said he hoped channels would continue to remain open. In particular, he said that Acting Chief Brankley, Mayor Fescemyer, Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Dunlap had been very helpful throughout the process.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Borough Manager Dunlap announced a Southwestern Pennsylvania Regional Transit Study meeting would be held on May 23 in New Kensington from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM to discuss a commuter rail from Arnold to downtown Pittsburgh.

Mr. Dunlap said he has received a letter from the Oakmont Candle Company concerning parking restrictions in front of their store. At this time, Gene Alese, owner of the Candle Company, addressed Council.

Mr. Alese explained that, since the bus stops were moved from Allegheny River Boulevard to Allegheny Avenue, many bus riders are parking their cars along

Pennsylvania Avenue in front of the candle store. The Candle Company has a large elderly customer base who do not like having to park far away.

After discussion, Vice President Bland referred the matter to Mayor Fescemyer for review and recommendation to Council. He told Mr. Alese to contact the Borough Manager in approximately two weeks.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Fescemyer recapped highlights from Acting Chief Brankley's report for April. He said he would be meeting with Senior Citizens at Munroe Towers and RCAC on May 18 to introduce them to the Senior Roll Call Program, designed to ensure that Senior Citizens are contacted each day to make sure they are alright.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance, Personnel & Legal

Mr. Favio moved to approve Warrant List #04-02-2006, dated April 30, 2006, for payments drawn from various Borough funds.

Mr. Kennedy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Favio moved to approve Warrant List #05-01-2006, dated May 8, 2006, for payments drawn from various Borough funds.

Mr. Taliaferro seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Culture & Recreation

Mr. Kennedy reported that the Recreation Board was in the process of putting together a summer program at Riverside Park. There will be workshops on baseball, golf, basketball and tennis for a nominal charge. No dates have been set for the program.

Mr. Kennedy remarked that there was an article in the *Tribune-Review* about the Kerr Museum in which it was reported that Miss Kerr, original owner of the Kerr house, was a personal acquaintance of George Westinghouse. Mr. Kennedy then announced the Kerr House tour schedules and upcoming seasonal events.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tom Meising, 17 Potomac Street, addressed Council concerning police response to a complaint that loud drumming was coming from one of the buildings owned by Mr. Meising. The drummer turned out to be his two-year-old daughter.

Mr. Meising did not like the way the police barged into his house. He also said his daughter had only been drumming for approximately 15 minutes in the middle of the afternoon. Mr. Meising wanted to know what was wrong with his daughter doing that.

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Mayor Fescemyer said he had spoken to the officers who went on the call. They knocked several times at the door, but could not be heard over the noise. Mayor Fescemyer noted also that there had been problems in the past between the complainant and Mr. Meising.

He said that Council may need to look at revising its current Nuisance Ordinance with respect to noise. He said he would discuss the issue further with Council.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct that evening, Mr. Kennedy offered a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Taliaferro seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Roger A. Dunlap, Jr., Borough Manager
and Ex-Officio Borough Secretary

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