

**ROCKLEDGE BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**OF**  
**May 9, 2016**

The Rockledge Borough Council met at 7:30 p.m. on May 9, 2016 at the Rockledge Borough Hall. After the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, the roll was called as follows:

In Attendance: Mr. Showmaker, Mr. Praediger, Mr. Corrigan, Mr. Enderle, Ms. Condon, Mrs. Kehoe, Mrs. Morris and Mayor Praediger.

**Additions to the Agenda:** None.

**Adoption of the Agenda:** All were in favor.

**Acceptance of the Minutes:** All were in favor of adopting the minutes from April 11, 2016.

**Law and Planning:** Mr. Enderle made a motion to accept the monthly building inspector's report. All were in favor.

Mr. Enderle made a motion to adopt Designation of Agent Resolution 2016-02 authorizing the borough manager to execute all required forms and documents for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance for the 2016 winter storm. All were in favor.

**Finance:** Mr. Showmaker made a motion to accept the monthly bills, previous months' accounts payable check detail report and the Tax Collectors monthly reports. All were in favor.

<b>General Fund</b>	– \$ 85,534.91
<b>Highway Aid</b>	– \$ 2,200.58
<b>Capital Reserve</b>	– \$ 0
<b>Police Pension Fund</b>	- \$ 4,190.09

Mr. Showmaker made a motion to transfer the budgeted amount of \$40,000 from General Fund to the Police Pension MMO Fund. All were in favor.

Mr. Showmaker made a motion to transfer the budgeted amount of \$125,000 from General Fund to the Fund Balance Account. All were in favor.

Mr. Showmaker made a motion to transfer the budgeted amount of \$25,000 from the General Fund to Capital Reserve. All were in favor.

Mr. Showmaker gave the Treasurer's report.

**Treasurer's Report:**

**General Fund:**                      Beginning Balance    \$ 364,965.63

	Receipts	\$ 946,757.53
	Disbursements	\$ 198,627.22
	Ending Balance	\$ 1,112,295.94
<u>Capital Reserve:</u>	Beginning Balance	\$ 79,257.56
	Receipts	\$ 758.87
	Disbursements	\$ 5,758.87
	Ending Balance	\$ 74,257.56
<u>Highway Aid:</u>	Beginning Balance	\$ 108,733.32
	Receipts	\$ 713.08
	Disbursements	\$ 2,144.57
	Ending Balance	\$ 107,301.83
<u>Police Pension MMO:</u>	Beginning Balance	\$ 63,962.07
	Deposits/Interest	\$ 0
	Disbursements	\$ 0
	Ending Balance	\$ 63,962.07
<u>Fund Account:</u>	Beginning Balance	\$ 175,645.68
	Receipts/Interest	\$ 45,832.39
	Disbursements	\$ 0
	Ending Balance	\$ 221,478.07

**Public Service:** Mr. Corrigan advised the following:

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection:** Saturday, May 14 at Temple University, Ambler Campus from 9:00 to 3:00.

**Residential Tire Collection:** Saturday, May 21 from 9:00 to Noon at Montgomery County Community College.

If anyone is interested the Tookany/Tacony Watershed is selling rain barrels. There is a sample one in the lobby of the Rockledge Municipal Hall. The cost is \$75.00.

The newsletter should be sent out in early to mid June.

**Public Safety:** Mrs. Morris made a motion to accept the Police, Fire Marshals, Fire Company April reports, and the Second Alarmer's March report. All were in favor.

Chief Miller advised that a handicapped parking space application had been received for 117 Park Avenue. Officer Bittenbusch has completed the investigation. His opinion is that they should be granted the parking space. A motion was made to allow a handicapped parking space in front of 117 Park Avenue. All were in favor.

Mr. Showmaker advised that the new fire truck has been received.

Mayor Praediger stated that meetings are now being held once a month for this year's Fall Festival and Car Show. The festival will be held on September 11, 2016. This year marks the 10th Anniversary. Officers will be here from Rockledge, Florida.

Mayor Praediger thanked council for hiring Kevin Junod. There is a new FTO program in effect. New drug drop off box in lobby.

Mr. Showmaker advised that the new Fire Truck has been received.

**Public Works/Property:** Mr. Praediger made a motion to accept the Streets Opening Report and the Streets Department Monthly Report. All were in favor.

Street Department Updates:

Mr. Micciolo advised of the following:

- The water line for Mill Park will be started this week.
- He has an idea regarding electric at Mill Park.
- Public Works will be working to fix a handicapped ramp at Church Rd and Huntingdon Pike.
- Mr. Showmaker asked about a portion of Shady Lane that should be paved. Mr. Micciolo said that he will take a look at it - probably something that could be done in-house.
- Mr. Showmaker asked about the orange cones that have been placed on Shady Lane at Rockledge Avenue - Mr. Micciolo stated that they found an inlet there that is need of repair. It has to be built back up.

Mr. Showmaker asked Mrs. Metzinger if she has received the sewer bill from Abington. She advised that we have not. Mr. Showmaker asked about our flows. Mr. Micciolo advised that it is not our flows - they have not increased - it was the increase in price.

**Recreation:** Mrs. Kehoe had nothing at this time.

**Personnel:** Ms. Condon made a motion to hire Kevin Junod as a Part-Time Police Officer. All were in favor. Mayor Praediger swore Mr. Junod in as a new part-time officer.

**Managers Report:** Mrs. Metzinger had nothing at this time.

**Public Comment:**

Don Goldberg, 146 Park Avenue stated that we had about 55% of voter turnout. If the November election is anything like the one 4 years ago he is expecting about an 85% turnout.

Mr. Joe Finnegan, treasurer of the GATSME/Rockledge Railroad was in attendance along with Mr. Eppert. Mr. Finnegan stated that the property at 100 N. Sylvania is being charged double

trash and sewer fees. He explained to council that he feels the way the property is being used does not warrant them to be charged double fees. Council will discuss.

Mr. Eppert, 104 Elm Ave. wanted to say thank you to council - the borough is so well run and is a nice place to live.

Mr. Joe Mazza, 18 Borbeck asked council about the future of the borough with regards to innovation. Mr. Showmaker advised we are limited because we are a small borough. We recently received a grant to revitalize Mill Park on Jarrett Avenue for space that the community can use. Trees, a walking trail and a pavilion will be added there in phases. We also have Rockledge Park that connects to the Pennypack Trail and 2 playgrounds. For a borough of our size we do have many recreational spaces for our community.

Mayor Praediger wanted to remind everyone that the Fox Chase/Rockledge Business Assoc. is having their annual Art in the Park at Lions Park, Saturday, May 13 from 1:00 to 4:00.

A motion was made to adjourn. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joyce Hines  
Borough Clerk