

**MINUTES**  
**FOX CHAPEL BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING HELD JULY 20, 2015**

PRESENT: Walter A. Scott, III, Mayor; Andrew C. Bennett, President; Thomas A. Karet, Harrison S. Lauer, Frederick C. Leech (arrived at 7:03 PM), Ann R. Meyer, James M. Royston, Jay S. Troutman, Councilmembers; A. Bruce Bowden, Solicitor; Gary J. Koehler, Manager; Joy A. Hardt, Treasurer; David M. Laux, Police Chief; Dana A. Abate, Borough Secretary.

Mr. Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the June 15, 2015 meeting were approved with Mr. Troutman abstaining since he did not attend the June meeting. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

**VISITORS**

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Leonard, 111 Squaw Run Road, and Paula Bozdech-Veater, 101 Squaw Run Road, appeared before Council to discuss their concerns about the speeding and increase in traffic in front of their homes as a result of the Fox Chapel Road detour. A lengthy discussion followed about what the Borough has done to reduce the speed on Squaw Run Road and other legal options the Borough may have available. It was noted that Squaw Run Road is a collector road and as such should have a speed limit of 35 mph as per the Federal Highway Administration guidelines, but the Borough was able to reduce the speed limit to 25 mph because of the parks along Squaw Run Road.

Mr. Koehler stated that the Borough will be installing additional 25 mph speed signs. Chief Laux stated that there is an increase in the police presence along Squaw Run Road and when the flashing speed device is repaired, it will be placed along the roadway. He said that he and Mr. Koehler will check into the possibility of painting "SLOW, 25 mph." on Squaw Run Road near its intersection with Fox Chapel Road.

It was the position of Council that legally, there is not a lot more that the Borough can do to reduce the traffic and speed. Closing the road and restricting its use to "local traffic" as requested is not an option. Chief Laux indicated that he will continue to have a police presence along the roadway.

**SALE OF MACK TRUCK**

It was moved by Mrs. Meyer to award the sale of a 1998 Mack truck to Fazio Contracting at a bid of \$12,200. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

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### NEW BUSINESS

#### United Methodist Church

The United Methodist Church is requesting Council approval to implement a secondary use of its stormwater detention basin for overflow parking. The Borough Engineer reviewed the request and responded with his findings in a letter dated April 23, 2015 to the Borough. Thomas E. Bankson, P.E., Bankson Engineers, responded in a letter dated July 14, 2015, and it is his opinion that the proposed parking area is in substantial compliance with the Stormwater Management Ordinance.

Mr. Koehler stated that the parking area will see limited use as it will serve as an overflow parking area during church services and other special events and based on that information does not see it being a problem along with the fact that the Church will manage the use of the parking area. He also noted that Mr. Bankson validates in his letter that the detention basin is in substantial compliance with the Borough's stormwater management ordinance. Mr. Koehler indicated that the Borough could put a time limit on the approval to verify that the use of the detention basin as a parking area does not hinder the function of the basin.

Tom Parkinson, Pastor at the Church, stated that the Stormwater Management Ordinance promotes secondary uses of detention basins including recreational uses which do not hinder or conflict with the function of the detention basin. It was noted that this is an inexpensive solution to solve an existing parking problem.

Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Troutman to approve the use of the stormwater detention basin as an overflow parking area for a period of two years at which time it can be determined if the approval can be permanent. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

### CONTRACT AWARDS

#### Sewer Lining/CCTV

It was moved by Mr. Troutman that the contract for installing cured-in-place liners in various storm and sanitary sewers throughout the Borough be awarded to Insight Pipe Contracting and the contract for pipe cleaning and CCTV be awarded to Robinson Pipe Cleaning pursuant to bids received by the NHCOCG. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote. The total cost of the work will depend on work actually performed. The 2015 Budget contains \$250,000 for this work.

### FINANCIAL

#### Payment of Bills

It was moved by Mr. Troutman that the payment of bills for June 2015 be approved per the check registry that is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. The motion was duly seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

DANA A. ABATE  
Borough Secretary