

**Columbia Borough Council Meeting  
February 09, 2009 at 7:00pm  
Paul W. Myers Council Chambers**

Council President Duncan called the meeting to order.

Councilpersons present were: Barninger, Beury, Detz, Duncan, Murphy and Wickenheiser. Mayor Lutz was also present.

Gordon Misal, Jr. of the Columbia Ministerium gave the invocation.

Mayor Lutz led the Pledge to the Flag.

**Public Hearing:**

**Amendment to 1995 Comprehensive Plan – 2008 Review/Update**

Motion:

- a. **To approve Resolution 09-05: Amendment to the 1995 Comprehensive Plan 2008 Update Chapter 14**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Barninger Voice Vote: All Favored
- b. **To close the public hearing**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Murphy Voice Vote: All Favored

**Council President Duncan announced that the following Executive Sessions were held:**

- a. An executive session was held on February 09, 2009 at 6:00 pm to discuss legal & personnel matters.
- b. A Personnel Meeting was held on January 21, at 6:30 pm.

**Citizen comments: – see attachment.**

Motion:

- a. **To approve minutes for January 12, 2009 Regular Borough Council Meeting.**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Barninger Voice Vote: All Favored
- b. **To approve minutes for January 27, 2009 Special Borough Council Meeting.**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Barninger Voice Vote: All Favored

**Mayor Lutz:**

Mayor Lutz gave an overview of the Transportation Technical Advisory Commission Meeting that he attended today.

**Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB) business:** No action items.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion:

**To approve consent agenda items a - g:**

- a. **December 2008 Check Register Report, Treasurer's report, Tax collector's Report and Budget Performance Reports: General Fund, Capital Fund, State Fund (Liquid Fuels), Waste Water Fund, and Municipal Authority Capital Fund.**
- b. **Facilities Use Request for the Susquehanna Valley Chamber of Commerce to host their 9<sup>th</sup> Annual 5K Run which would involve closing the Veteran's Memorial Bridge on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 from 7:00 am – 10:30 am. SVCC would be responsible for erecting and tearing down barricades.**
- c. **Facilities Use Request for the Susquehanna Valley Chamber of Commerce to host their 5K Fall Flash Run which would involve closing the Veteran's Memorial Bridge on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 7:30 am – 10:30 am. SVCC would be responsible for erecting and tearing down barricades.**

- d. **Facilities Use Request for the Susquehanna Valley Chamber of Commerce to host their 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Antique, Art & Craft Show which would involve closing Locust Street between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Streets on June 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 am – 5:00 pm. SVCC would be responsible for erecting and tearing down barricades.**
- e. **Facilities Use Request for the Susquehanna Valley Chamber of Commerce to host their Annual Bridge Bust which would involve closing the Veteran's Memorial Bridge on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 from 3:00 am – 6:00 pm. SVCC would be responsible for erecting and tearing down barricades.**
- f. **Facilities Use Request for the Diabetes Foundation to use Rotary Park for their Annual Walk Event from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and to deny their request to close the Veteran's Memorial Bridge from 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm on the same date.**
- g. **Facilities Use Request for the Kidney Foundation to use Rotary Park from 11:30 am – 3:30 pm on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 and to deny their request to close the Veteran's Memorial Bridge from 11:30 am – 3:30 pm on the same date.**  
Motion: Barninger Second: Wickenheiser Voice Vote: All Favored

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:**

Motion:

- a. **To approve budget change #9 for 2008 Budget.**  
Motion: Murphy Second: Wickenheiser Voice Vote: All Favored
- b. **To authorize the Borough to act as plan sponsor for the Police 457 Pension Plan, with plan member/pension board voting to choose which funds to use from those options made available.**  
Motion: Murphy Second: Barninger Voice Vote: All Favored

Next meeting Wednesday, February 11, 2009 at 6:30p.m.

**THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAY:**

No action items.

Next meeting is Monday, February 23, 2009 at 6:00p.m.

**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Motion:

- a. **To change the name of Furnace Avenue between Plane Street and South 9<sup>th</sup> Street to Yohe Avenue with any necessary ordinance changes and to include new signage.**  
Motion: Barninger Second: Beury Voice Vote: All Favored

Next meeting is Wednesday, March 4, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

**COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY:**

Motion:

- a. **To approve to proceed with the acquisition of the land bordered by the Rt. 462 and Rt. 30 bridges, the Norfolk Southern rail line and the river and that an appraisal of the parcel be performed by a certified general appraiser at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.00.**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Murphy Voice Vote: All Favored
- b. **To authorize the advertising for bids for the Phase I improvements to the Columbia River Park following written approval of the specifications by DCNR.**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Detz Voice Vote: All Favored

- c. **To declare three hundred and forty-five (345) tiles as surplus materials to be advertised for sale.**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Beury Voice Vote: All Favored
- d. **To schedule and advertise a joint Council/Municipal Authority Meeting to discuss the Act 537 Plan to be held Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009.**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Detz Voice Vote: All Favored

Next meeting is on February 3, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.

**COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL:**

Motion:

- a. **To accept the resignation of Donna Kreiser from the Columbia Borough Parks and Recreation Board.**  
Motion: Detz Second: Barninger Voice Vote: All Favored

**COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL LEGISLATION:**

Motion:

- a. **To approve Ordinance #798: Solid Waste Management and Recycling.**  
Motion: Beury Second: Wickenheiser Voice Vote: All Favored
- b. **To authorize the Solicitor to review the Borough Zoning Ordinance specific to signage for commercial and industrial properties with said signage to be considered as a conditional use.**  
Motion: Beury Second: Wickenheiser Voice Vote: All Favored
- c. **To authorize the Solicitor to review the Borough Zoning Ordinance and SALDO for possible revision for conversion of downtown commercial and residential properties to owner occupied condominiums, similar to the Lancaster City Model.**  
Motion: Beury Second: Wickenheiser Voice Vote: All Favored

Next Meeting Tuesday, March 3, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

**COMMITTEE ON MARKET:**

No action items. Next meeting Tuesday, February 24, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

**COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

Motion:

- a. **To approve the existing KOZ on North Front Street be extended to include the contiguous properties North to the Route 30 Bridge, West to the river shore and East to the proposed relocated Route 441 and to include property along Bridge Street to Second Street.**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Detz Voice Vote: All Favored

Next meeting Tuesday, February 24, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

**COMMITTEE ON WASTEWATER**

No action items. Next meeting Thursday, February 19, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

**SOLICITOR:**

No Action Items.

**SECRETARY:** Norm Meiskey

Motion:

- b. **To approve the 2009 Community Development Block Grant, Grant Contracts for North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Beury Voice Vote: All Favored
- d. **To approve Resolution 09-06 – Confirming New Resolution for DCED Grant Application – River Park Part 1 A, Marina Building.**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Murphy Voice Vote: All Favored
- e. **To approve facilities use request for the Susquehanna Valley Chamber of commerce to use the Market House for their third annual Taste of Rivertowns on Saturday, February 21, 2009 from 11:00 am – 4:00 pm.**  
Motion: Barninger Second: Beury Voice Vote: All Favored
- f. **To table indefinitely authorization for the Solicitor to review proposed temporary easement agreement with AREVA NP, Inc.**  
Motion: Wickenheiser Second: Barninger Voice Vote: All Favored

**Boards/Commissions/Authority**

No action items.

**Council Members:**

**Adjournment**

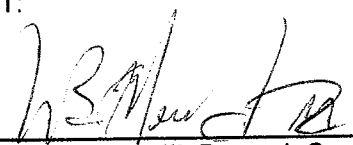
Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm

Motion: Wickenheiser Second Barninger Voice Vote: All Favored

MOTIONED AND APPROVED this 9th day of March 2009, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Columbia, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.  
BOROUGH OF COLUMBIA, LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

By:   
Mary Wickenheiser, Council Vice-President

ATTEST:

  
Norman B. Meiskey, III, Borough Secretary

| Name and Address                                  | Subject  | Requested Action |
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| Jonathan Loretto<br>1065 Ironville Pike, Columbia | Updated Council on the progress of the Fourth of July Festivities being planned for July 6 <sup>th</sup> – July 11 <sup>th</sup>   |                  |
| Frank Doutrich<br>1001 Ironville Pike, Columbia   | Questioned absence of Councilman Coopert and the ordinance that says 2 missed meetings is cause for dismissal. Questioned missing information on the February Wastewater Billing. Addressed issues with the street sweeper. Questioned why the Police contract has not yet been signed. Questioned why Public Works employees were doing work on private property. Questioned why sidewalk has not yet been installed at the property at the corner of 10 <sup>th</sup> & Park that was purchased last year. Questioned agenda item 13 a. Questioned why the Strategic Planning meeting was closed to the public. Questioned agenda item 13 c. |                  |
| David Doutrich<br>East Prospect                   | Responded to the question of why the Public Works employees were working on private property.  |                  |