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**MINUTES OF THE
GLENDON BOROUGH COUNCIL
GLENDON BOROUGH HALL
December 19, 2024**

Presiding: Donna Breidinger – Council President

Present: Michael Veres - Council Vice-President
Kathryn Harstine – Councilperson
Amy Weisenberger-Caswell – Councilperson
Donald Young – Councilperson
Thomas Elliott – Solicitor
Melody McAllister – Mayor
Ronnie Shaffer – Secretary/Treasurer

Absent: James McAllister-Zoning Officer
Beth Young –Tax Collector

Visitors: None

The December 12, 2024 meeting of the Glendon Borough Council was reconvened on Thursday, December 19, 2024, at Glendon Borough Hall. Council President Donna Breidinger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

Public Participation: None

Treasurer’s Report:

Bills to be paid:

Mrs. Breidinger asked for a motion to pay the bills, with the exception of Councilperson Amy Weisenberger-Caswell, Duncan Caswell and Jeff Breidinger. Ms. Caswell made a motion to pay all but the excepted bills. Council Vice-President Michael Veres seconded the motion, all Ayes.

Mrs. Breidinger then asked for a motion to pay Ms. Caswell and Mr. Caswell. Councilperson Kathryn Harstine made the motion. Councilperson Donald Young seconded. All Ayes, with Ms. Caswell abstaining.

Mrs. Breidinger then asked for a motion to pay Jeffrey Breidinger. Mrs. Harstine made the motion, Mr. Veres seconded, all Ayes with Mrs. Breidinger abstaining.

Tax Collector’s Report: Nothing at this time.

Zoning: Nothing at this time.

Engineer’s Report: Nothing at this time.

4 **Committee Reports:** Nothing at this time.

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6 **President's Report:** Nothing at this time.

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8 **Old Business:**

9 2025 Budget – Mr. Young still says his Budget numbers do not match. Treasurer Ronnie
10 Shaffer stated that she had thoroughly reviewed all of the formulas on all three budget sheets over
11 a period of three days. She discovered two discrepancies. On the General fund, there was a
12 difference of \$12,300.00 because \$12,000.00 that was on the MS4 reserve line was included in the
13 total, and on the Equipment Repair and Maintenance item there were two line items totaling
14 \$300.00 and the total line of \$300.00 was picked up also. That makes the anticipated expenses of
15 \$402,406.00 The difference of \$12,300.00 was added in to the Garage reserves, to balance out at
16 \$797,001.00. Solicitor Thomas Elliott stated that the Treasurer has presented the budget citing
17 specific corrections, and a Council person says the numbers do not add up, but has no specificity
18 as to why, but Mr. Elliott stated he has no difficulty with Council approving the budget as
19 presented.

20 Ms. Shaffer then notified Council that she had received a phone call from Keystone
21 Collections stating that in January 2024, a resident made a \$25,000.00 Earned Income Tax
22 payment that has since been determined to be an overpayment of \$23,440.00. They originally said
23 that they would withhold the upcoming EIT payments until that amount was repaid, but then she
24 called back and said that it has to be repaid in full by check. As far as the budget is concerned,
25 under Refund of Prior Year Revenues, we have not budgeted anything. We could decrease the
26 2025 anticipated EIT income by that amount or deduct it from the Emergency fund. Council
27 approved the expenditure out of the Emergency fund, which makes the new Emergency Fund
28 balance \$76,560.00. Mrs. Breidinger asked for a motion to adopt the 2025 Budget as amended.
29 Mrs. Harstine made the motion, Ms. Caswell seconded. Mr. Veres, Mrs. Harstine and Ms. Caswell
30 Aye, Mr. Young opposed.

31 Mrs. Breidinger then asked for a motion to adopt Resolution 2024-2 assessing the tax
32 rate for 2025 at the rate of Eleven and Six One-Hundredths (11.06 Mills on each dollar of assessed
33 valuation, being \$1.106 per \$100.00 of Assessed Valuation. Mrs. Harstine made the motion, Ms.
34 Caswell seconded. Mr. Veres, Mrs. Harstine and Ms. Caswell Aye, Mr. Young opposed.

35 New Machine – Mr. Elliott has had a chance to research his concerns with Sourcewell
36 and is satisfied that Sourcewell has done what they need to do to qualify as a PA Public
37 Procurement Unit. Under Minnesota statute (where Sourcewell is located), Sourcewell is a service
38 corporation, a Local Government Unit, a public corporation and public agency, and a national
39 cooperative purchasing program which offers competitive contracts for goods and services to
40 government entities. Mr. Elliott also contacted a vendor of Kubota machines near Philadelphia
41 who said everybody uses Sourcewell, and the local vendor stated he could not provide a quote, as
42 we are out of his area. Mrs. Breidinger noted that Sourcewell operates in all states. Mr. Elliott
43 noted that Powerco is a local Pennsylvania vendor who submitted proposals for Kubota machines
44 to Sourcewell, and Sourcewell could then sell to anyone that Sourcewell had a purchasing
45 agreement with. Powerco happens to be the lower bidder, and then we have the

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4 New Machine – Continued benefit of local service. Mr. Elliott collected all the contract documents
5 to assure that they meet all the requirements of the PA Statutes.

6 There were two quotes from Powerco, one for a model 5400 and one for a model 6000.
7 The difference between the two machines is \$1,432.86. The model 6000 is larger and would work
8 well for our purposes, with a total cost of \$45,813.49. That model is available for delivery. Mrs.
9 Breidinger said that since we can find no one to work on the current backhoe, which does not want
10 to start and has a tire that does not hold air, it is time to cut our losses and purchase a new machine,
11 which comes with a 6 year warranty. Mrs. Harstine made a motion to purchase the Kubota Model
12 6000. Ms. Caswell seconded. All Ayes!

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14 **Mayor’s Report:**

15 525 Berger Road – Mayor McAllister contacted the County regarding the resident of 525
16 Berger Road. They are aware of the problems and have been doing what they can, but the resident
17 continues to be uncooperative.

18 Compensation – As discussed at that last meeting, Mrs. McAllister contacted other
19 smaller municipalities for Mayor/Council compensation, with the lower amounts for Council
20 members is approximately \$1,500.00 per year and up to \$2,000.00 - \$3,000.00 Mayor and other
21 officers.

22 KeyCodes – There is a problem with KeyCodes in that they are not having the people
23 get their permits from the Borough first. They do have all permits from Keycodes, but they do not
24 have the denial from Glendon because of setbacks, etc. Mrs. McAllister also noted the builder
25 really wants to blast. Mrs. Breidinger wants to know how people know to go to Keycodes in the
26 first place? Mr. Young said the process is to apply for a Zoning permit through the Borough, then
27 submit to KeyCodes for the building permits. Mr. Young said Mr. McAllister should issue a Cease
28 and Desist order to the builder. Mrs. McAllister said KeyCodes always complied before, but if
29 there has been a change in the organization, there may have been a communications breakdown,

30 Mr. Veres asked if all complaints are going directly to Rob at KeyCodes? He noted that
31 there was a complaint on a property a while back that has not been acted on yet. Mr. Elliott said
32 that Rob is very green, and he does not have the time to babysit him.

33 Mr. McAllister will contact Mr. Elliott tomorrow.
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35 **Other Business:**

36 Mr. Elliott advised Council on the Russo issue. There are heirs everywhere. The property
37 maintenance code requires a criminal citation. We named Margaret Russo as the defendant in the
38 first complaint, the object was to get someone to motivate the other relatives to action, but then
39 Ms. Russo’s attorney filed a disclaimer, so now we are back to square one. In addition, the property
40 was taken off the Sherrif’s sale list, since they cannot locate the Heirs. Eventually it will revert to
41 the State repository.

42 Mrs. Breidinger asked if there is anything we can do to discourage the dumping at the
43 Old Stoney site. Council will look into pricing for a snow fence for the next meeting. Mr. Young
44 suggested using stone piles as a barrier. Mrs. McAllister will look into the costs of the different
45 options. It was also suggested to approach Chrin to see if they would be so kind as to donate a
46 dumpster to clean the area up. Mr. Veres suggested calling Swint for pricing as well.
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4 **Announcements/Correspondence:**

5 Borough Hall hours are now Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 12 Noon. Other times by
6 appointment.

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8 Williams Township Fire Department covers Glendon Borough and if anyone is interested in
9 volunteering, please contact Williams Township at 610-258-6788.

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11 Having no further business, Mrs. Harstine made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Caswell seconded, all
12 Ayes.

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14 The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

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16 Respectfully submitted,

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19 Veronica Shaffer
20 Secretary/Treasurer

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