Regular Meeting December 3, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the Souderton Borough Council was called to order by President John Young at 7:30 p.m. Members of Borough Council present at the Meeting included the following:

President John U. Young
Vice President Andrew C. Schlosser
Councillor Philip Clemens
Councillor Katherine M. Grubb
Councillor Roy J. Zeiher
Councillor Ray M. Yothers
Councillor Ned D. Leight

Councillor J. Edward Hunsicker, Jr. Mayor John R. Reynolds Junior Councillor Andrew Espenlaub Solicitor Robert G. Bricker Borough Manager P. Michael Coll Public Works Director Steven R. Coll Police Chief Charles A. Quinn, Sr.

Absent from the meeting was Councillor Brian Goshow.

The Invocation was given by Borough Manager P. Michael Coll, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Consideration was given to the minutes of the November 5, 2007, Regular Borough Council Meeting. A motion was made by Councillor Andrew C. Schlosser, seconded by Councillor Roy J. Zeiher, to approve the minutes as prepared. The motion was approved.

Under correspondence, Borough Manager Michael Coll noted that a formal request for information was received from resident William Tierney, 62 Green Street. The requested information consisted of multiple Police Department records. The information was provided within the mandatory five business days pursuant to the requirements of the Open records Act.

Mayor John R. Reynolds reported on a successful Holiday parade sponsored by Souderton-Telford Main Streets.

Solicitor's Report for the month of November, 2007, included review and advertisement of the amendments to the Municipal Waste Collection and Recycling Ordinance for adoption. They attended a District Court hearing for the Warren Fluck property at 236 E. Broad Street. The Solicitor attended a meeting of the Souderton Industrial Development Authority and they are working on completing the documentation for the refinancing project for Pennview Christian School.

President John Young inquired on the status of the Main Street parking lot construction project. Public Works Director Steven Coll reported that the granite curb and the granite stone paver blocks have been installed. The contractor is preparing to stone and base the parking lot as soon as there is a break in the weather. The final top coat will probably have to be delayed until early spring given the current weather conditions.

Councillor Katherine Grubb inquired whether we are on schedule with leaf collection. Steven Coll reported that crews are behind primarily because of weather conditions. At this point there is no specified collection schedule. Both machines will be collecting leaves throughout the Borough and collections will extend through the Holidays.

Borough Manager P. Michael Coll reported that six proposals were received for the Streetscape Planning Project and five proposals were received for the Souderton High School Redevelopment Plan. The proposals will be summarized and a report will be distributed to Borough Council in the near future, for discussion at the December 17th Work Session. Councillor Andrew Schlosser noted that one of his subsidiary firms has teamed up with one of the respondents for the streetscape project. The Borough Manager summarized a rather lengthy agenda scheduled for tonight's meeting. The first item concerns authorization to bid the sale of a surplus 1979 Ford Dump Truck with plow and a tailgate spreader; installation of a new traffic signal at Main Street and Reliance Road; and modular playground equipment for the Lawn Avenue Park. The second item is consideration of a proposal from Wade Associates to evaluate additional alternatives for the swimming pool project. They will evaluate potentials to salvage or refurbish pool facilities, look into other construction alternatives and designs to assist Borough Council in making a final decision on the future of the swimming pool facility. The cost for this service is \$7,500.00. The next item is an ordinance amending the Municipal Solid waste

Ordinance with respect to leaf collection and recycling as recommended by the Northern Montgomery County Recycling Commission. A resolution has been prepared to formally approve and adopt the provisions of the Montgomery County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. A resolution has also been prepared to formally approve the Souderton Industrial Development Authority financing for the Pennview Christian School. The last item on the agenda is consideration of the 2008 Budget Ordinance and the 2008 Tax Ordinance.

Consideration was given to paying the bills for the month of November, 2007.

GENERAL FUND

AT&T	\$32.14	Farm & Home Oil Co.	\$685.27
Fastener Supplies, LLC	13.39	First Services, LTD	150.00
Galco Business Communications	85.50	General Recreation, Inc.	8,243.00
MetLife	230.70	MetLife	3,100.45
Nextel Communications	323.27	North Penn Water Authority	27.90
PA Municipal Retirement System	936.55	PA Municipal Retirement System	2,912.05
PACO	175.00	PECO Energy	14.34
Pennsylvania One Call System	29.90	Potty Queen	98.20
Thomas A. Lawson	10.00	Univest National Bank	1,900.26
Petty Cash Fund	131.73	State Workers Insurance Fund	3,796.80
Bergey's, Inc.	241.04	Ches-Mont Disposal, Inc.	308.46
Comcast Cable	42.95	Detlan Equipment, Inc.	10.64
MetLife	230.70	MetLife	3,100.45
PPL Electric Utilities	254.13	Richter Drafting/Office Supply	128.76
State Workers Insurance Fund	6,574.40	Trumbauers Lawn & Rec, Inc.	261.59
Verizon	180.21	AT&T	32.14
Barry Rosenberger	35.00	Commonwealth Precast, Inc.	2,780.00
Daniel L. Beardsley LTD	86.70	Farm & Home Oil Co.	1,586.11
Federal Express Corporation	21.09	Freedom Systems Corporation	225.00
Gall's, Inc.	177.95	Glasgow, Inc.	189.00
Hajoca Corporation	7,245.08	Jaeger Electric Service, Inc.	5677.05
Jason M. Kelly	254.00	Joseph P. Kelly, Jr.	280.00
Kopp Equipment Sales	867.90	Landis Block & Concrete	2,343.45
Lane-King of Prussia	279.00	Markey Paper & Packaging, Inc.	24.81
Moyer & Son, Inc.	1,585.35	Naceville Materials	495.47
NetCarrier Telecom, Inc.	491.38	Peter I. Psomiadis, D.M.D.	621.20
Plasterer Equipment Co., Inc.	2,621.50	PPL Electric Utilities	1,417.96
Richter Drafting/Office Supply	280.00	Shelly Enterprises, Inc.	262.40
The Home Depot	57.35	U.S. Municipal Supply, Inc.	371.25
Ven-Mar Sales, Inc.	431.39	Weldon Auto Parts	16.11
William Powis	142.90	Young's	119.00
Clemens Uniform Rental	141.52	Freedom Systems Corporation	238.00
High Bridge Stone Co.	4,561.20	Independence Blue Cross	14,919.92
Kaler Motor Company	850.00	Keystone Health Plan East	6,229.48
MetLife	230.70	MetLife	3,100.45
North American Benefits Company	672.23	Shelly Enterprises, Inc.	112.44
Univest National Bank	6,052.96	Univest Visa	549.28
Unum Insurance Company	751.70	Word Work, Inc.	546.25
Carl B. Stuart	120.28	Petty Cash Fund	160.07
Univest National Bank	1,838.96	A & T Chevrolet, Inc.	440.86
Bergey's Inc.	36.70	Boucher and James, Inc.	5,341.01
Cope's Garage, Inc.	1,346.72	Davidheiser's, Inc.	60.00
Farm & Home Oil Company	718.20	First Precinct Uniforms/Equipment	191.00
Freedom Systems Corp.	562.50	Gall's, Inc.	118.99
Indian Creek Foundation	376.00	Jaeger Electric Service, Inc.	3,783.83
Kopp Equipment Sales	564.10	Lansdale Police Department	150.00
Marc F. Lipkin, D.M.D. P.C.	127.00	Mark R. Corbman, D.D.S.	120.00
Montgomery Newspaper	107.15	Moyer & Son, Inc.	2,840.12
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Peter I. Psomiadis, D.M.D.	357.20	Richard Mellor Auto Electric, LLC	4,831.50
Richter Drafting/Office Supply	64.44	Styer Associates	640.00
Thomas A. Lawson	123.00	Travis Bivighouse	440.00
		Total General Fund	\$458,121.44

SEWER FUND

Cintas Corporation	\$41.76	Cintas First Aid & Safety	\$50.80
Dura-Wear Glove & Safety Co.	156.69	J.P. Mascaro & Sons	5,131.62
MetLife	105.28	North Penn Water Authority	163.60
PPL Electric Utilities	9,838.38	Indian Creek Foundation	395.31
State Workers Insurance Fund	1,627.20	Ches-Mont Disposal, Inc.	84.80
Clayton H. Landis Company, Inc.	169.03	Comcast Cable	42.95
Fisher Scientific	139.25	Good, Inc.	286.27
MetLife	105.28	NetCarrier Telecom, Inc.	214.70
Postmaster, Telford/Souderton	818.74	PPL Electric Utilities	712.98
Richter Drafting/Office Supplies	14.49	State Workers Insurance Fund	2,817.60
Suburban Water Testing Labs	91.00	USA Blue Book	3,891.16
Verizon	53.71	Water Environment Federation	181.00
Armour Research Co.	172.00	Bishop Wood Products, Inc.	58.00
Carquest	162.48	CCP Industries Inc.	124.04
Clayton H. Landis Company, Inc.	72.08	Daniel L. Beardsley LTD	135.55
Environmental Resource Associates	1,177.66	Freedom Systems Corporation	225.00
Fretz Enterprise	212.58	Hach Company	606.40
Hajoca Corporation	284.96	J.P. Mascaro & Sons	6,542.64
Landis Block & Concrete	38.75	Moyer & Son, Inc.	177.15
Suburban Water Testing Labs	38.00	Wolf, Block, Schorr & Solis-Cohen	65.00
Bearing & Drives Unlimited	222.17	Cintas Corporation	41.76
Cintas First Aid & Safety	29.20	Clemens Uniform Rental	201.60
Farm Bureau Garage, Inc.	471.02	Fisher Scientific	52.54
Freedom Systems Corp.	238.00	H. Keith Koehler	162.98
Hajoca Corporation	951.85	Independence Blue Cross	4,093.35
Indian Creek Foundation	386.74	Keystone Health Plan East	2,291.64
MetLife	105.28	North American Benefits Company	255.29
Suburban Water Testing Labs	74.00	Unum Insurance Company	233.75
Markey Paper & Packaging	192.73	Nyco Corporation	24.32
PYRZ Water Supply Co., Inc.	730.00	Richter Drafting/Office Supply	31.99
Sealing Specialties	9.00	Shelly Enterprises, Inc.	12.49
Siemens Water Technologies	1,091.25		
		Total Sewer Fund	\$49,128.84
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LQUID FUELS FUND

PPL Electric Utilities	\$257.54	Armour & Sons Electric, Inc.	\$697.50
Letterco	699.00	PPL Electric Utilities	295.04
		Total Liquid Fuels Fund	\$1949.08

SANITARY SEWER CAPITAL FUND (PLGIT)

A motion was made by Councillor Katherine M. Grubb, and seconded by Councillor Philip Clemens, to pay the bills for the month of November, 2007, as presented. The motion was approved.

President John U. Young opened the floor for public comment by Borough Residents and Property Owners.

Julian Hauck, business owner of Club Genesis, 76 S. County Line Road, Souderton inquired into the scope of work proposed by Wade Associates for the swimming pool. Borough

Manager Michael Coll summarized the proposed scope of work. Councillor Katherine Grubb further commented that she attended a recent meeting regarding the pool study and felt that a majority of Borough Council desired to meet with the YMCA, engineers and Wade Associates to gain more information before making a final decision. Julian Hauck commented that he continues to be concerned with the fiscal risks associated with the operation of swimming pools. A number of other Councils echoed similar concerns and the need to explore other potential alternatives.

Jonathan Gardenier, 127 N Fourth Street, complemented the Borough Manager on the 2008 Budget format and documentation. Mr. Gardenier commented that the leaves are still on the trees and he urged the Borough to extend the collection program. Mr. Gardenier questioned the scope of work for the Souderton High School Redevelopment Plan. He also inquired whether the proposed Souderton IDA financing will pose any liability on the Borough. Borough Solicitor Robert Bricker confirmed that there is no risk to the Borough. Mr. Gardenier also inquired on the status of the Single Hauler survey, Local Services Tax and further commented on the fiscal concerns associated with the pool facility.

President John Young then turned to the business portion of the agenda with the first item concerning authorization to bid a number of items.

A motion was made by Councillor Ray M. Yothers, and seconded by Councillor Andrew C. Schlosser, to approve the advertisement for sealed bids to sell the 1979 Ford Dump Truck, with snow plow and salt spreader. The motion was approved.

A motion was made by Councillor Ned D. Leight, and seconded by Councillor Roy J. Zeiher, to approve the advertisement for bids to install a traffic signal at the intersection of Reliance Road and Main Street. Motion was approved.

A motion was made by Councillor Roy J. Zeiher, and seconded by Councillor Ned D. Leight, to approve the advertisement for bids to supply and furnish a modular play structure for installation by Borough forces at the Lawn Avenue Park. Motion was approved.

President John Young inquired into the time frame for the work proposed by Wade Associates. Borough Manager Michael Coll confirmed that the consultant will begin the work immediately after the Holidays in the event we should decide to move forward with a grant application to the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural resources in April.

A motion was made by Councillor Ned D. Leight, and seconded by Councillor Roy J. Zeiher, to approve the proposal of Wade Associates to perform supplemental planning and consulting services, with regard to the feasibility and possible construction of a new aquatics facility, at a cost of \$7,500.00. The motion was approved.

A motion was made by Councillor J. Edward Hunsicker, and seconded by Councillor Andrew C. Schlosser, to approve Ordinance No. 07-675-11, amending the Municipal Waste Collection and Recycling Ordinance, by revising Section 10 "regulations for handling leaf waste and Section 11 "enforcement and penalties". Motion was approved.

A motion was made by Councillor Andrew C. Schlosser, and seconded by Councillor Katherine M. Grubb, to approve Resolution 07-06 adopting the Montgomery County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan. The motion was approved.

A motion was made by Councillor Philip Clemens, and seconded by Councillor J. Edward Hunsicker, Jr., to approve Resolution 07-07 approving the issuance by the Souderton Industrial Development Authority for the Pennview Christian School facility in Franconia Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. Motion was approved.

Borough Manager Michael Coll summarized the final draft of the 2008 Budget and the associated 2008 Real Estate Tax Ordinance. Councillor Grubb complemented the Borough Manager on the budget, but felt that the budget estimate of \$75,000 for the traffic signal is too light and there is not enough funding allocated towards milling and overlay projects.

A motion was made by Councillor J. Edward Hunsicker, and seconded by Councillor Philip Clemens, to adopt Ordinance No. 07-676-12 establishing the annual Budget for the 2008

calendar year. The motion was approved by a vote of 8 yeas and 1 nay, with Katherine Grubb dissenting.

A motion was made by Councillor Andrew C. Schlosser, and seconded by Councillor Roy J. Zeiher, to adopt Ordinance No 07-677-13 establishing the real estate tax rate for the 2008 calendar year and setting discounts and penalties on the taxes. Motion was approved by a vote of 8 yeas and 1 nay, with Katherine Grubb dissenting.

Borough Manager Michael Coll expressed appreciation to Councillor Philip Clemens and to Councillor Roy J. Zeiher for their service on Borough Council. Mr. Coll commented that he appreciated working with them over the past years and appreciated their thoughtfulness, support and insight. President John Young also expressed his appreciation to Councillors Clemens and Zeiher.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Michael Coll, Secretary