# Yardley Borough Council Meeting March 2, 2021

The meeting was held via video conference with the following members present:

Caroline Thompson Uri Feiner Matt Curtin Kim Segal-Morris John McCann David Bria

Matthew Ross

Council member(s) not in attendance:

Also in attendance were Mayor Harding, Chief Joseph Kelly, Borough Manager Paula Johnson, Engineer Liz Colletti, and Solicitor Ernest Closser.

I. CALL TO ORDER –David Bria, President

The meeting, held by video conference, was called to order at 7:30.

- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL

#### IV. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A new county grant opportunity has been announced through the Bucks County Redevelopment Authority. Grants of 5k to 50k are being distributed to cover operating expenses for the restaurant and hospitality industry. Questions should be directed to the Bucks County Redevelopment Authority.
- A webinar involving residents who have experienced a flood will be 3/3/21 at 7:00 and all are invited. These webinars satisfy the public education portion of Yardley Borough's participation in the Community Rating System.

### V. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

#### VI. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA DATED March 2, 2021

- A. Approval of Minutes dated February 16, 2021
- B. Bills List dated March 2, 2021
- C. Certificate of Appropriateness No 21-04@56 Canal Street, Roof; 21-06@25 East Afton, Sign.
- D. Event Permit Yardley Friends Meeting Flea Market
- E. Event Permit and Banner Permit for Memorial Mile and 5k

A motion to approve the consent agenda dated March 2, 2021 was made by Ms. Thompson, which is seconded by Ms. Segal-Morris.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

#### VII. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Police service statistics for February 2021: There were 482 calls for service, 2 parking tickets issued, 54 moving traffic citations, 6 traffic accident investigations, and one arrest (not for DUI.)

#### VIII. ENGINEER'S REPORT

Nothing outside of updates.

#### IX. Project Updates

- A. Main & Afton Intersection Waiting on payrolls from construction to close that out.
- B. Mary Yardley Bridge RVE working with solicitor to ensure access during construction to the Celentano property. Engineer will be providing bridge committee with updated budget and will follow up on grant application with DVRPC which should be announced soon.
- C. PECO Property Waiting on PECO.
- D. North Main Street Sidewalks, Phase II Utility relocation meeting 3/8/21. Aiming for beginning construction in summer and moving into fall. Project timeline is approximately one month.

#### X. MANAGER'S REPORT

- Public Works will be fixing potholes over the next couple of days. Please report any pothole issues to office.
- ZHB meeting on 3/22. The manager seeks consensus to send the solicitor to represent the Borough.

Ms. Thompson moves to authorize the solicitor to attend the 3/22 ZHB meeting to represent the Borough in the matter concerning 123 Bell Avenue, which is seconded by Mr. Ross.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

### XI. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

#### XII. MAYOR'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

### XIII. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

A. Matthew Curtin – Environmental Advisory Commission, Reading Avenue Committee

Nothing to report.

B. Matthew Ross – Public Works Committee, Planning Commission Nothing to report.

C. Kim Segal-Morris – Public Safety Committee, Human Relations Committee, TTN Airport Updates

Governor Wolf has made a proposal for every municipality to pay a fee to use State Police, although it is unlikely Yardley Borough would ever need to use this service. Our fee would be around \$7,800. A resolution will be circulated by Chief Kelly for review prior to the next meeting.

- D. David Bria Sewer Authority Nothing to report.
- E. Caroline Thompson General Government Committee, Parks & Recreation Board

Nothing to report.

- F. John McCann Community & Economic Development Committee, Historic & Architectural Review Board, North Main Street Traffic Committee Nothing to report.
- G. Uri Feiner Community Outreach Committee, Experience Yardley, Shade Tree Commission

Three applications have been received for the open position on HARB. They will be brought before the next meeting for consideration.

### XIV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

## XV. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

#### XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McCann motions to adjourn the meeting at 7:53, which is seconded by Ms. Thompson. The motion passes 7-0.

Submitted by, Mary Ann McLean