

**Yardley Borough Council Meeting
August 16, 2022**

The meeting was held in Borough Hall with the following members present:

Kim Segal-Morris
David Bria

Christopher Campellone
Matthew Curtin

Caroline Thompson
John McCann

Council member(s) not in attendance: Matt Ross

Also in attendance were Chief Joseph Kelly, Borough Manager Paula Johnson, Engineer Owen Hyne, and Solicitor Ernest Closser.

I. CALL TO ORDER – Caroline Thompson, President

The meeting was called to order at 7:30.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Shirley Lee Corsey, Conservator of the Old AME Church at 188 South Canal Street presented regarding The Gather Place and plans to restore and preserve the 145-year-old historic landmark. There will be an open house on 9/10 from 2-6 pm. Fundraising is underway at Gatherplace.org. Black Canal Street settlers of note include Julia Derry Robinson Jacobs, the mother of Edward G. Robinson, the only black mayor of Yardley and the first black mayor in the Commonwealth.
- Dawn Perlmutter, 18 W. College Avenue. New Facebook page has been published called Yardley Borough On the Record where video of meetings will be posted as well as documents obtained through Right to Know requests.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Rich Wayne, Co-Chair of Harvest Day.
 1. Mr. Campellone motions to approve Harvest Day date of 9/23/23 pending approval of application, which is seconded by Ms. Segal-Morris. A vote was held, and the motion passes 6-0.
 2. Mr. Wayne asks for one parking spot in front of Borough Hall to be reserved for use by special guest the Philly Phanatic and Boomer from the Trenton Thunder. Consent of Council was granted.
 3. 5k and 10k run planned for Canal-o-ween. This matter will be pushed to 9/6 agenda.
- Earl Markey, College Avenue – Announced a petition to reduce number of Council members from 7 to 5. A hearing will be held in court in Bucks County Court of Common Pleas on September 8, 2022.

- VI. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA DATED August 16, 2022
- A. Approval of Minutes Dated July 19, 2022
 - B. Bills List Dated August 16, 2022
 - C. Certificates of Appropriateness: 22-18-65 E. Afton - Front and Side Door
22-19-11 13 E. Afton – Addition
22-20-24 South Main – Retaining Wall
22-24-64 South Main – Portico
22-22-15 South Main – Addition, Refrigerator Box
 - D. Event Permits: Yardley Friends Meeting Flea Market 9/10, rain date 9/17
AJF Ride 4 Autism – 9/24
Oktoberfest – 10/1
Canal-O-Ween – 10/30-11/5

Mr. Bria motions to approve the Consent Agenda dated August 18, 2022, which is seconded by Mr. McCann.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 6-0.

Dawn Perlmutter, 18 W. College Avenue. Bills list is not being provided to community in advance of the meeting.

VII. POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT

Police service statistics for July 2022: The department handled 615 calls for service, issued 1 parking ticket, issued 15 moving traffic citations, investigated 6 motor vehicle accidents, and made 3 arrests (2 for DUI.)

VIII. MANAGER’S REPORT

A. 2023 Budget Calendar

Budget calendar presented. Hope to vote to adopt the budget 12/6/2022. The hope is to provide 5-year forecasting for some items.

Mr. Curtin motions to adopt the 2023 budget calendar, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 6-0.

IX: ENGINEER’S REPORT

A. Authorization to Draft an Update and Advertise the Borough’s Stormwater Management Ordinance

Engineer is seeking authorization to revise ordinance, updating it with new DEP requirements, with plan to advertise and vote on the new ordinance in September 2022.

Mr. Bria motions to draft update to Borough’s Stormwater Management Ordinance per DEP and MS4 requirements, which is seconded by Mr. Curtin.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 6-0.

X. SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Nothing to report.

XI. MAYOR'S REPORT

n/a

XII. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

A. Kim Segal-Morris – Public Safety Committee, Human Relations Committee, APO, YM Fire Company
Nothing to report.

B. Matthew Ross – Public Works Committee, Sewer Authority
n/a

C. Matt Curtin – General Government Committee, Planning Commission
Nothing to report.

D. John McCann – Community & Economic Development Committee, Historic & Architectural Review Board, Zoning Hearing Board, Shade Tree Commission
9/6/22 and 10/4/22 6:30-7:30 meetings will be held with community business owners to review outdoor seating ordinance.

E. Chris Campellone – Community Outreach Committee, YBA, Experience Yardley, EAC, Parks and Rec
Nothing to report.

F. Caroline Thompson – Planning Commission
Nothing to report.

G. David Bria
Nothing to report.

XIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

XIV. OTHER BUSINESS

B. Consideration to Award 2022-2025 Snowplow Contract
Three year agreement. JP Tomlinson LLC. \$165/170/175
Mr. Bria motions to award the 2022-2025 Snowplow Contract to JP Tomlinson, LLC, which is seconded by Ms. Segal-Morris.
A vote was held, and the motion passes 6-0.

C. Consideration to Accept Bid for Mary Yardley Bridge
8/11/22 bidding opened and two were received. A discussion was held regarding rebidding the project and splitting off the most expensive line item which is the bridge itself. A suggestion was made to table the vote until 9/6 to get an answer from the lowest bidder about whether they would rebid if the bridge wasn't included.

Mr. Bria motions to reconsider Mary Yardley Bridge bids at 9/6 meeting, which is seconded by Mr. McCann.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 6-0.

D. Consideration of bid for 81 North Delaware

Engineer suggests rebid to attempt to get lower bids. The bid received came in above the available funding. Not to exceed \$2,000.

Mr. Bria motions to reject and rebid the 81 North Delaware project, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 6-0.

E. Consideration of Bid for 93 North Delaware

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Mr. Bria motions to reject and rebid the 93 North Delaware project, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 6-0.

F. Certification of Civil Service List – Full Time Police Officer

Ms. Segal-Morris motions to approve the Civil Service List for Full-Time Police Officers, which is seconded by Mr. Bria.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 6-0.

A. Accept Council Resignation

Ms. Segal-Morris motions to accept Mr. Bria's Council resignation, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 5-0. Mr. Bria abstains.

Vacancy will open 8/16 and close on 8/31. Interviews and appointment planned for 9/6 Council meeting.

Executive Session – Personnel

Executive Session – Legal

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Curtin motions to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session at 8:25, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 6-0.

Submitted by,

Mary Ann McLean