Yardley Borough Council Meeting January 19, 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 Chief Joseph Kelly, Engineer Liz Colletti, Solicitor Andrew Griffin, and Borough Manager Paula Johnson

- 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
 None

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

• Dawn Perlmutter, 18 W. College Avenue. Raises concern about lack of transparency on significant matters and questions Borough's liability in response to lawsuits. Mr. Bria responds that this council conducts business in a highly ethical manner and Borough's insurance policy covers legal costs.

VI. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA DATED January 19, 2021

- A. Approval of Minutes dated January 5, 2021
- B. Bills List dated January 19, 2021

Ms. Thompson moves to approve the consent agenda dated January 19, 2021, which is seconded by Mr. McCann. A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

VII. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

VIII. PROJECT UPDATES

- A. Main & Afton Intersection
- B. Mary Yardley Bridge
- C. PECO Property
- D. North Main Street Sidewalks Phase II.

Engineer is in receipt of approval for erosion and sediment control permit from the Bucks County Conservation District.

IX. MANAGER'S REPORT

- Please advise office of any potholes that may be forming.
- ZHB on the 25th for bathroom at 162 Harper Avenue.
- PECO is in final review of offer letter and Borough should hear from them in coming weeks.

X. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

XI. MAYOR'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

XII. 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
 Nothing to report.
- D. David Bria Sewer Authority

Nothing to report.

There is a vacancy to fill on Sewer Authority. One application has been received.

- E. Caroline Thompson General Government Committee, Parks & Recreation Board
 - Ms. Thompson motions to transfer \$1500 to capital reserve at the next meeting, which is seconded by Mr. Ross. A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
 - General government is working on comprehensive financial plan.
 - Mr. Curtain is hosting next flood plain seminar 2/3/21 at 7pm via Zoom. The topic is Buying and Selling in the Floodplain.
- F. John McCann Community & Economic Development Committee, Historic & Architectural Review Board, North Main Street Traffic Committee
 - Call for unity and civil discourse as new administration is inaugurated tomorrow.
- G. Uri Feiner Community Outreach Committee, Experience Yardley, Shade Tree Commission

• Application received for sewer authority. The applicant had applied for an opening in 2015. A discussion followed regarding if another interview is necessary. Interview will be held at next Council meeting.

XIV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

XV. OTHER BUSINESS

Vote to Advertise Flood Plain Ordinance

Ms. Thompson motions to advertise the Flood Plain Ordinance, which is seconded by Mr. McCann.

A discussion followed with community members requesting a highlight of changes between previous ordinance and this one for ease of understanding. Mr. Bria indicates this information is available and can be provided.

Mr. Bria strongly noted the many opportunities the community had to participate in the process of developing these changes.

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

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ross motions to adjourn the meeting at 8:03, which is seconded by Ms. Thompson. The motion passes 7-0.

Submitted by, Mary Ann McLean