Yardley Borough Council Meeting June 18, 2019

The meeting was held in Council Chambers with the following members present:

David Bria Sandi Brady Ryan Berry Bryon Marshall

Caroline Thompson Matthew Ross

Council member(s) not in attendance: Mike Ruttle

Also in attendance were Mayor Chris Harding, Chief Joseph Kelly, Solicitor E. Closser, Engineer Tom Beach, and Borough Manager Paula Johnson. Council President Marshall called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes (Time Stamp 7:31 pm)

Mr. Bria moves to approve the minutes from the joint meeting held on May 30, 2019 meeting, which is seconded by Ms. Thompson. A vote was held and the motion passes.

Mr. Bria moves to approve the minutes from the June 4, 2019 meeting, which is seconded by Ms. Thompson. A vote was held and the motion passes.

Progress Reports (Time Stamp: 7:33 pm)

Solicitor

Nothing to report.

Borough Manager

- 1. New AV team has taken over the live streaming processes. Ms. Johnson's son will be assisting with the AV process now and in the future.
- 2. The new format of the budget has been presented to General Government, it was well received.
- 3. Second Liquid Fuels audit of the year has been conducted.
- 4. FZ Media is being consulted with on securing website. That should be completed by the end of this week.
- 5. Representative Warren's office notified office of some potential grants, particularly some regarding painting projects.

Mayor

Thanks to Ms. Johnson for appearing on his radio show today.

Police Chief

Written and physical exams for civil service requirements have been completed. Oral interviews will take place on Monday June 24.

Borough Engineer

- 1. ARLE Grant On schedule to submit grant by end of June for crosswalk improvements throughout the Borough.
- 2. Four bids were received for the road program and all were favorable. Ms. Ross will report as part of his agenda item.

Council Vice President

Update on Sewer Authority – Mr. Bria attended recent meeting with Morrisville Municipal Authority and reported on ongoing plan to get a new sewage treatment facility.

LMT and YB Sewer Authorities are in receipt of a letter from Morrisville asking for statement of our intentions by the end of this calendar year as it pertains to the construction of the new plant. There are a couple of options. One is continue current relationship we are in now, which is that

YB is a customer of Morrisville. Another option would be to set up a joint authority.

Morrisville intends to take their current plant offline by end of calendar year 2022.

How LMT proceeds will have a large bearing on how YB will proceed.

LMT requested an evaluation of their sewer system, with one of their options being sale to a private company such as Aqua

Our sewer authority has requested a joint session with Borough Council, which is scheduled on 7/10.

Our sewer authority is getting a quote on valuing our system as well.

Mr. Berry – What is Council's role with regard to Morrisville? Mr. Bria notes that Sewer Authority, as a separate legal entity, has jurisdiction over this type of issue. Mr. Closser adds that Council could assert control over the process if it chose to do so. Council acts as an advisor to the Authority.

Council President

Worked on discussion points presented by Continental Tavern and Mr. Frank Lyons about parking. Also reviewed County's comprehensive plan for parking. There are many things to discuss and research. This matter will go to committee and to planning commission by September for discussion.

Council Committees

Community Outreach-Ms. Thompson

Nothing to report.

General Government-Ms. Thompson

Met tonight and reviewed new format for budget.

Council committee budget for projects need to get to Paula.

Community & Economic Development – Mr. Berry

Will be meeting on June 25.

Parking will be reviewed.

Liaison Report - Mr. Berry

Reading Ave – July 1st meeting

July planning commission meeting will be reviewing ordinance recommendations.

Public Safety – Mr. Berry (for Ms. Brady)

Will be meeting on July 2nd

Public Works-Mr. Ross

Road program bids have been received and will be reviewed as agenda item.

EAC – Mr. Ross

Nothing to report.

Bill List (Time stamp: 7:46 pm)

Ms. Thompson moves to approve the amended bills list dated 6/18/19, which is seconded by Mr. Bria. Motion passes.

Correspondence (Time stamp: 7:47 pm)

None.

Public Comment (Time stamp: 7:47 pm)

- 1. Dawn Perlmutter, 18 West College Ave. Ms. Perlmutter addressed Council in response to previous comments made in public session by Kim Prickett regarding issues pertaining to Ms. Perlmutter and her property.
 - A lengthy discussion followed with Ms. Perlmutter, Kim and Albert Prickett, and Jerry Taylor addressing Council regarding issues surrounding properties at 18 W. College and 20 W. College.
 - Mr. Marshall requested that Ms. Perlmutter submit a full list of her questions to him and those questions will be addressed accordingly.
- Susan Pilate Owner of Pure Salon 84 S. Main. She is contemplating buying the building that she is currently in and asks about if there is a rehab center going in on Main Street as she has heard through the grapevine. Mr. Marshall knows of no plans currently.

Certificates of Appropriateness (Time Stamp: 8:00 pm)

19-10 70 South Main Street (Roof on House and Barn)

Mr. Bria motions to approve certificate of appropriateness 19-10, subject to the provisions outlined on the application by the Historic Architecture Review Board, which is seconded by Mr. Ross. A lengthy discussion followed regarding the provisions outlined. Mr. and Mrs. Prickett, the applicants, addressed Council regarding the development of this property and their

displeasure with the provisions outlined by HARB as included in the meeting minutes. Mr. Taylor and Ms. Perlmutter also commented.

Council offered that the applicants withdraw their application which they declined.

A vote was held and the motion passes with one member (Berry) opposed.

19-11 20 South Main Street (Sign and Awning)

Mr. Bria moves to approve certificate of appropriateness 19-11 with provisions as outlined by HARB, which Mr. Ross seconded. Motion passes.

Old Business (Time Stamp: 8:16 pm)

New Business (Time Stamp: 8:18 pm)

None.

Mr. Bria motions to adjourn to executive session at 8:19, which Mr. Berry seconded.

Submitted by, Mary Ann McLean