# Yardley Borough Council Meeting June 21, 2022

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

David Bria Christopher Campellone John McCann Caroline Thompson Matthew Curtin Matthew Ross Kim Segal-Morris

Council member(s) not in attendance:

Also in attendance were Chief Joseph Kelly, Borough Manager Paula Johnson, Engineer Pat Foley, 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. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Hiring New Police Officer

Mr. Ross motions to make a conditional offer of employment to Colin Murphy pending completion of training requirements, which is seconded by Ms. Segal-Morris. A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

Colin Murphy was sworn in by Mayor Harding.

V. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS None.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT None.

VII. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA DATED June 21, 2022
A. Approval of Minutes Dated June 7, 2022
B. Bills List Dated June 21, 2022
C. Certificates of Appropriateness: 22-14-16 S. Main St. – Windows and Door 22-15-20 South Main St – Siding 22-16-43 South Main Street – Roof

Mr. McCann asks to consider 22-15-20 South Main Street – Siding separately.

Mr. Ross motions to approve the Consent Agenda dated June 21, 2022, which is seconded by Ms. Siegel-Morris.

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

Discussion regarding 22-15-20 South Main Street – Siding. Mr. McCann requests the matter be sent back to HARB for further discussion and reconsideration.

Mr. McCann motions to deny Certificate of Appropriateness 22-15-20 S. Main - Siding, which is seconded by Mr. Bria.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 5-1-1.

VIII. MANAGER'S REPORT

- Trash bills going out
- Fall/Winter newsletter being worked on
- Zoning Hearing Board 6/27/22 Yardley Inn
- Appeals Board 6/28/22 La La Lobster

Mr. Curtin motions to authorize to advertise for bids for the 2022-2025 Snow Contract, which is seconded by Mr. Ross.

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

IX. SOLICITOR'S REPORT Nothing to report.

X. MAYOR'S REPORT Nothing to report.

### XI. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

A. Kim Segal-Morris (Public Safety – chair) – Police Department Liaison, Human Relations Liaison, YBA Liaison Nothing to report.

B. Matt Ross (Public Works - chair) - Sewer Authority Liaison, APO Liaison Nothing to report.

C. Matt Curtin (General Government – chair) Tax Collector Liaison, Yardley-Makefield Fire Company Liaison General Government's July meeting will review of YTD budget performance and yearend budget tracking.

D. John McCann (Community and Economic Department - chair) HARB Liaison, Shade Tree Liaison Nothing to report. E. Chris Campellone (Community Outreach - chair) – ZHB Liaison, Parks & Rec Liaison, EAC Liaison Nothing to report.

F. Caroline Thompson – Planning Commission Nothing to report.

### G. David Bria

Discussion with Manager about investing some Borough funds with PLGIT – Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust. Geared toward local governments without resources to manage a complicated investment strategy. Investment in this fund should result in a positive return for the Borough.

## XII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

## XIII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Vote to Appoint Yardley Borough Tax Collector – C. Thompson Mr. Curtin motions to accept resignation of Cheryl Lowe-Cler, effective June 21, 2022, which is seconded by Mr. Bria. A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

Mr. Curtin motions to adopt Resolution 22-15 to appoint Christine Ventresca as Yardley Borough Tax Collector, which is seconded by Mr. Bria A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

 B. Consideration of Award Bid for North Main Street Sidewalk Phase II – M. Ross Mr. Ross motions to award low bid to G&B Construction totaling \$753,597.50, which is seconded by Mr. Bria. A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

C. Resolution 22-14 – Authorization to Pay Regular Monthly Bills and Payroll – M. Curtin
Mr. Curtin motions to authorize the payment of payroll and regular bills as per the resolution included in the meeting materials, which is seconded by Mr. Ross. Curtin, Ross.
A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

- D. Consideration of Temporary Access Easement Agreement Yardley Point M. Ross Mr. Ross motions to approve the grant of a temporary easement to Yardley Point (parcels 54-003-099-005 and 54-003-099-004), as per the detail in the meeting materials, which is seconded by Mr. Bria. A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
- E. Consideration of Borough's Stormwater Maintenance Fund Determination for 85 W. Afton Lot 1 M. Ross Lot 1 not ready. Item tabled.

- F. Consideration of Borough's Stormwater Maintenance Fund Determination for 85 W. Afton Lot 2 M. Ross
  Mr. Ross motions to collect a fund deposit of \$5,000 for 85 W. Afton Lot 2, which is seconded by Ms. Segal-Morris. A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
- G. Update County of Bucks Excessive Heat Emergency K. Segal-Morris Bucks County is asking municipalities if they will voluntarily participate to offer services to the community in the event of an excessive heat emergency. A discussion followed about offering the Rec Center, Borough Hall, and/or the fire station as cooling stations/charging stations.

Council gives consensus that the Borough is interested and will ask Public Safety to work out the details.

### XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bria motions to adjourn the meeting at 8:15, which is seconded by Mr. Ross. A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

Submitted by, Mary Ann McLean