# Yardley Borough Council Meeting February 1, 2022

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

David Bria Caroline Thompson Kim Segal-Morris

Matthew Ross John McCann Christopher Campellone

Council member(s) not in attendance:

Also in attendance were Mayor Chris Harding, Chief Joseph Kelly, Borough Manager Paula Johnson, Engineer Pat Foley, and Solicitor Ernest Closser

I. CALL TO ORDER – David Bria, President

The meeting was called to order at 7:30.

- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. Resolution 22-05 Declaration of Vacancy

Mr. Ross motions to adopt Resolution 22-05 Declaration of Vacancy, which is seconded by Ms. Thompson.

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

- V. INTERVIEWS FOR BOROUGH COUNCIL
  - A. Matt Curtin
  - B. Dawn Perlmutter
  - C. Melissa Mertes
  - D. Don Carlson
  - E. Earl Markey
- VI. Motion regarding appointment.

Resolution 22-06 To Fill Vacancy on Yardley Borough Council

Mr. McCann motions to appoint Matthew Curtin to the open Borough Council Seat for a term of two years, which is seconded by Mr. Ross.

Per Mr. Closser, per Borough Code, the term ends on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of January following next municipal election.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

McCann Y
Segal-Morris Y
Ross Y
Thompson Y
Campellone Y

Bria Y

The motion passes 6-0.

Mr. Curtin was sworn in by Mayor Harding.

## VII. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

2022 Yardley Borough Events Calendar

The calendar of events will be published on the Borough calendar.

### VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

# VIX. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA DATED February 1, 2022

- A. Approval of Minutes Dated January 18, 2022
- B. Bills List Dated February 1, 2022
- C. Memorial Day Parade Event Permit

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda dated February 1, 2022 is made by Mr. Ross, which is seconded by Ms. Thompson.

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

## X. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Police service statistics for January 2022: The department handled 539 calls for service, issued 5 parking tickets, issued 78 moving traffic citations, issued 2 non-traffic citations, investigated 6 motor vehicle accidents, and made 8 arrests (3 for DUI.)

## Disposition of Records

Ms. Segal-Morris motions to approve the destruction of obsolete records in accordance with the Municipal Records Manual, which is seconded by Mr. Ross.

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

### XI. MANAGER'S REPORT

Adoption of 2022 Yardley Borough Fee Schedule

Ms. Thompson motions to adopt the 2022 Yardley Borough Fee Schedule, which is seconded by Mr. Ross.

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

### XII: ENGINEER'S REPORT

**Updates** 

- ML7 construction is ongoing. There have been some delays due to weather.
- The Engineer is coordinating with applicant's engineer regarding 160 Harper Ave.

### XIII. PROJECT UPDATES

# A. Mary Yardley Bridge

Engineer met with new park operations manager regarding the assessment for the right of way agreement. Working on finalizing drawings and permit documentation. Looking to make permit application by end of February.

## B. PECO Property

Preparing grant application for this project. Need the agreement of sale for the submission.

C. North Main Street Sidewalks – Phase II and Phase III

Finalizing bid documents for the grant reviewer for Phase II. Engineer is scheduling surveyors for Phase III.

## XIV. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

### XV. MAYOR'S REPORT

- Complemented the applicants for the Council seat and the talent that is in the community.
- Mayor Harding presented a decorative flag to the Chief Kelly donated by an anonymous community member in support of the police department.

### XVI. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

- A. Vacant Environmental Advisory Commission 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

Second Saturdays are starting again.

## D. David Bria – Sewer Authority

County Government CPACE financing will be available for business to make green upgrades to their properties. This financing encourages businesses to make ecofriendly upgrades since the debt is attached to the property and not to the owner/business.

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, Shade Tree Commission

Nothing to report.

G. Vacant – Community Outreach Committee, Experience Yardley Nothing to report.

### XVI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ms. Thomson reviewed the responsibilities of each committee of Council and requested that each councilperson submit his/her top two-three choices for committee assignments.

The first meeting in March will be used to review all open projects, quiet projects, and dream projects in order to construct a comprehensive 10-year plan.

## XVII. OTHER BUSINESS

Assignment of Snow and Ice Removal Contract – Mr. Ross

Mr. Ross motions to approve the assignment of the Snow and Ice Removal Contract dated November 1, 2019 between Yardley Borough and Effluent Services, Inc. to James B. Tomlinson LLC per the January 5, 2022 request for an assignment of the Contract by Johnathan C. Beagle, President of Effluent Services Inc., which is seconded by Ms. Thompson. A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

Mr. Ross motions to Approve the written assignment memorializing the assignment of the Snow and Ice Removal Contract to be drafted in a form and substance acceptable to the Yardley Borough Solicitor, which is seconded by Ms. Thompson. A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

## XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ross motions to adjournment to Executive Session at 8:55, which is seconded by Mr. Thompson.

Submitted by, Mary Ann McLean