Yardley Borough Council Meeting May 2, 2023

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

John McCann Caroline Thompson David Appelbaum

Matthew Curtin Don Carlson

Council member(s) not in attendance: Kim Segal-Morris, Uri Feiner

Also in attendance were Chief Kelly, Borough Manager Paula Johnson, Engineer Patrick 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. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Carry the Load 5/3/23 with rally at 3-3:30 at Veterans Memorial
- May 6th Summer Farmer's Market begins 9-12 in Buttonwood Park
- May 7th 2-4pm Social for Arts of Yardley sponsored by Commonplace Reader at Buttonwood Park
- Road races coming up in Yardley
- Brian Wagner 7 year resident of Yardley. Distance bicyclist and bicycling advocate.
 Has had two accidents involving cars. Asking the Borough to consider signage and
 education about sharing the road with bicyclists and what the rules of the road are for
 cars/bicycles. Ms. Thompson acknowledged Mr. Wagner's suggestions and will followup regarding actioning those suggestions.
- Dawn Perlmutter Made a lengthy statement regarding alleged Civil Service Commission violations and irregularities.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

VI. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA DATED May 2, 2023

A. Approval of Minutes Dated April 18, 2023

B. Certificates of Appropriateness

23-10a – Lake Afton Message Board

23-20 – 188 S. Canal Street – Siding and Windows

23-21 – 82 E. Afton Avenue – Existing & Expanding Renovation

23-22 – 82 E. Afton Avenue – ODD – Tent

23-23 - 69 S. Main Street - Sign

Certificate of Appropriateness 23-21 was removed from consideration for separate discussion per a request by Mr. Carlson.

Mr. Curtin motions to approve the Consent Agenda, minus Certificate of Appropriateness 23-21, dated May 2, 2023, which is seconded by Mr. Appelbaum. A vote was held, and the motion passes with a vote of 5-0.

Certificate of Appropriateness 23-21 – Yardley Inn Existing & Expanding Renovation

Mr. Carlson provided some context regarding the development of the project and the current status of the renovations.

Mr. Curtin motions to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness 23-21, 82 E. Afton – Existing and Expanding Renovations, which is seconded by Mr. McCann. A vote was held, and the motion passes with a vote of 5-0.

VII. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Police service statistics for April 2023. The department handled 616 calls for service, issued 69 traffic citations, investigated 10 motor vehicle accidents, and made 1 arrest, 0 for DUI (0 YTD).

VIII. MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Consideration to Accept the May 2, 2023, Finance Report Consensus was granted.

Manager's monthly recap was presented.

IX. ENGINEER'S REPORT

X. PROJECT UPDATES

A. North Main Street Sidewalk- Phase II

Project is substantially completed. Engineer is working on the punch list review and completion.

B. Consideration of North Main Street Sidewalk – Payment Certificate #3 Mr. Carlson motions to approve Payment Certificate #3 in the amount of \$321,957.44, which is seconded by Mr. Appelbaum.

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

C. Consideration FEMA funded 46 Brown Street – Change Order No. 1 Mr. McCann motions to approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$2147, which is seconded by Mr. Carlson.

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

XI. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

A. Public Hearing for Outdoor Dining Ordinance #491

Mr. Closser reviewed the basic outline of the ordinance and opened the floor for questions or comments from the public and from Council.

B. Consideration of Adoption of Outdoor Dining Ordinance #491

Mr. Carlson motions to adopt Outdoor Dining Ordinance #491, which is seconded by Mr. Appelbaum.

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

XII. MAYOR'S REPORT

N/A

XIII. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

- A. Kim Segal-Morris Public Safety Committee, Human Relations Committee, N/A
- B. Uri Feiner Public Works Committee, Sewer Authority, APO N/A
- C. Matt Curtin General Government Committee, YMFC No report
- D. John McCann Community & Economic Development Committee, Historic & Architectural Review Board, Shade Tree
 No report
- E. David Appelbaum Community Outreach Committee, YBA, Parks and Rec Earth Day Tot lot cleanup, Lake Afton cleanup was completed.
- F. Don Carlson ZHB, Sewer No report
- G. Caroline Thompson Planning Commission No report.

XIV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

XV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Manager's 2023 Performance Goals/Indicators

Ms. Thompson reviewed the broad outlines of Manager Johnson's performance goals and indicators. The Manager's major goal this year will be around the development of the comprehensive plan.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Appelbaum motions to adjourn at 8:09, which is seconded by Mr. McCann. A vote was held, and the motion passes 5-0.

Submitted by, Mary Ann McLean