

**BOROUGH OF HATORO
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2014**

PRESENT

President Zygmunt, Vice President Tompkins, Harbaugh, Hegele, Palmer, Sheedy & Rich; Borough Manager Zollers, Assistant Borough Secretary Hegele, Chief of Police Gardner, Solicitor Pionzio, Borough Engineer Dougherty & Treasurer Kalnjas.

ABSENT

Mayor Hawkes was absent this evening.

CALL TO ORDER

President Zygmunt called to order the March 10th, 2014 Committee Meeting of Borough Council to order at 7:05 PM.

President Zygmunt announced there was an executive session held prior to this meeting to discuss a legal matter.

PUBLIC SAFETY

FIRE COMPANY EXPENDITURE LIST – Councilman Palmer stated that Council is in receipt of the Enterprise Fire Company expenditure list for February. This item was moved to the March 24 Council meeting for approval.

CAPITAL PURCHASE – PATROL VEHICLE – Chief Gardner stated Council is in receipt of a memo requesting authorization to purchase a 2014 Ford Police Interceptor SUV via State Contract. The purchase is routine replacement of another vehicle in the fleet which will be removed from service. The total estimated cost is \$33,500. This item was moved to the March 24 Council meeting for approval.

PLAQUE PRESENTATION – Chief Gardner stated that Philadelphia Lawyer James Binns began in 2001 the Hero Cop Plaque Program to recognize law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice. The County District Attorney's office will be presenting a plaque in honor of Chief Warren Kramer. This will take place on Tuesday, April 15th at Borough Hall.

Councilman Hegele stated he was not sure if Chief Kramer is recognized at the State Memorial, Chief Gardner was not sure. Councilman Hegele stated he would check. Chief Gardner stated he is working with the Old York Road Historical Society and Montgomery News to research to see if there is family.

FINANCE – Councilman Harbaugh stated he had nothing for his agenda for this evening.

GRANTS AND FUNDING – Councilman Sheedy stated he had one item for his agenda this evening.

CDBG MORELAND AVENUE APPLICATION – Borough Engineer Dougherty updated Council, this application was submitted previously in 2009 and denied. It is for crosswalk improvements on West Moreland by the Pool and Eaton Park. The application is due April 11, and a resolution by Council is needed.

Mr. Ron Battis, W. Moreland Avenue asked if the application could include improvements to the exit at the pool, in particular when cars turn right from the pool entrance, they cannot accomplish this without going into opposing traffic. Engineer Dougherty stated he would look at the curb radii. This item was moved to the March 24 Council meeting for approval.

PUBLIC WORKS – Councilman Hegele stated he had nothing for his agenda tonight.

Manager Zollers stated that updated signage was recently installed at several crosswalks in Hatboro. President Zygmunt stated he had concerns over the sign placement at Byberry/York. Manager Zollers stated he would look into this.

Manager Zollers also stated the Public Works department continues to fix potholes on Borough roads on a daily basis; he reminded everyone that this is just a temporary fix. He reminded everyone if they see potholes on state roads to report them to the state. He stated persons can call Borough Hall and we will assist, but the Borough cannot fix potholes on state roads in Hatboro.

FACILITIES & PARKS – Councilman Rich stated he had one item for his agenda this evening.

POOL MEMBRANE PROJECT – Manager Zollers stated that the plaster in the pool has reached its life expectancy. The Borough needs to look to either re-plaster the pool or look at some other method. He stated he is looking at a product, pool membrane; which has a 15 year warranty. He stated this would be something that can be done after the pool closes in the fall. Manager Zollers stated he would look at other pools that have this and report back to Council.

Councilman Rich announced that the 2nd floor in Borough Hall recently became vacant when District Court moved out. The Borough is not going to be doing anything formal with this space, as the space will be needed during the upcoming renovations to Borough facilities.

ZONING/HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ZONING UPDATE – Councilman Tompkins stated he had a couple of items for his agenda this evening.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION STATUS UPDATE – Vice President Tompkins stated that he has received a list from the Borough Historian on possible properties in Hatboro that may be historic, he stated the list is incomplete and more information along with a more comprehensive list is needed from the Historian. President Zygmunt stated the ages of properties can be found on the County website.

301 JACKSONVILLE ROAD – JACKSONVILLE GREENE PROJECT UPDATE

Steve McBready and Bruce Nicolson were present to give a quick update on the project. The project includes 85 rental units with 1400 SF of retail. Solicitor Pionzio asked if the parking issues that have been raised are satisfied. Mr. Nicholson stated there will be no key fob for the underground garage it will be open to all. The surface parking spaces would be reserved for visitors or shoppers. Steve McBready reviewed with Council the Gilmore Letter dated March 5th and has indicated that his client would comply with all the items listed in this letter. Mr. McBready presented Council with a list of requested waivers for the project. He reviewed each waiver, there were approximately 14 waivers requested.

There were discussions concerning property line buffering, the green roof, the size of sewage pipes, sight distances, entry/exit onto property, Septa requirements and the review of the plans by the Borough Fire Marshal. Solicitor Pionzio stated all these issues along with waivers and prior comments/conditions from the Conditional Use process will be incorporated into a resolution for Council consideration. This item was moved to the March 24th meeting for approval.

MU OVERLAY ORDINANCE – Vice President Tompkins reminded everyone that the MU Overlay Ordinance Hearing will be on April 14th at 7:00 PM.

ADMINISTRATION

2014 EVENT REQUESTS – President Zygmunt reviewed all the event request forms, several events are informative and do not need Borough services; there is no action on these events. The Car Show, Holiday Parade, Skeleton Skurry and Carnival all require action by Council. These events were moved to the March 24th meeting for approval.

WAIVER REQUEST – MILLER MEADOW – Manager Zollers stated the Enterprise Fire Company has put in a event request form for the use of Miller Meadow for their Carnival/Fireworks, they are requesting the Borough waive the park use fees for this event. This item was moved to the March 24th meeting for approval.

2014 POOL RESOLUTION – President Zygmunt stated Council was in receipt of a memo from the Pool Manager who did a great job last year getting pool numbers down. The manager is asking for some changes to the current fees, hours, and daily use fees. Assistant Secretary will prepare a resolution for Council consideration. This item was moved to the March 24th meeting for approval.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the March 10th, 2014 Committee meeting of Council was adjourned at 8:18 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred “Fred” Zollers
Borough Secretary

Transcribed by Assistant Borough Secretary Diane Hegele