

**BOROUGH OF HATBORO
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 13th, 2014**

PRESENT

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

ABSENT

Mayor Hawkes was absent.

CALL TO ORDER

President Zygmunt called to order the October Committee meeting of Council to order at 7:00 P.M.

PUBLIC SAFETY

FIRE COMPANY EXPENDITURE LIST

Councilman Palmer stated Council was in receipt of the September 2014 Expenditure List. President Zygmunt stated the engine payment should be moved to the Capital Expenditure list. Assistant Secretary Hegele stated she would have the fire company revise the list. This item was moved to the October 27th Council agenda for approval.

FIRE COMPANY CAPITAL EXPENDITURE LIST

Councilman Palmer stated Council was in receipt of the September 2014 Capital Expenditure List. Councilman Sheedy asked if the computers to be purchased would be integrated with the Borough system. Assistant Chief Lefebvre stated they are fire company computers only. This item was moved to the October 27th Council agenda for approval.

PRESENTATION ENTERPRISE FIRE COMPANY BUDGET 2015

Councilman Palmer stated the Fire Company budget for 2015 has been approved by the Fire Board. The budget is the same as 2014 and was forwarded to the Finance Committee of Council to be included in the Borough budget.

FINANCE

Councilman Harbaugh stated the Finance Committee has been meeting with staff preparing a preliminary 2015 Borough budget. There will be a budget workshop meeting for Council on Monday, November 3rd at 5:00 P.M.

REQUEST FOR FUNDING – BOROUGH AUTHORITY – RESOLUTION

Borough Manager Zollers stated he has attended two Authority meetings to discuss reimbursement of capital projects for 2014 in lieu of paving. Manager Zollers stated the Authority has not given a definitive answer. Manager Zollers would like Council to consider a resolution asking for capital purchases reimbursement with a stipulation that if the Authority cannot pay for the proposed items the Borough would like to be reimbursed for the paving program. This item was moved to the October 27th Council agenda for approval.

GRANTS AND FUNDING

Councilman Sheedy stated he had no report. Manager Zollers stated the Borough was notified that the West Moreland Avenue crossing project was funded under the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) Program.

PUBLIC WORKS

Councilman Hegele stated he had no report.

FACILITIES AND PARKS

HATBORO MEMORIAL PRESENTATION

Councilman Sheedy stated that the Committee has been meeting and have proposed a monument to honor veterans and fallen police and firefighters for the front of Borough Hall. Borough Historian Dave Shannon made a brief presentation and advised Council that he supports this project and the placement on the lawn at Borough Hall as long as the monument does not take away attention to Borough Hall. He also stated that Council may need approval from the Historical Commission. President Zygmunt asked for the committee to prepare a resolution for Council's consideration. This item was moved to the October 27th meeting for approval.

POLICE FACILITIES PROJECT – ARCHITECT SELECTION

Chief Gardner stated that several architects have been interviewed and one has been selected for the renovation of the Police Facility. In order for this firm, Spiesel Architect Group to submit a proposal for the project a site plan is needed. He is asking Council to authorize the Borough Engineer to perform a site plan survey for the facility located at 120 E. Montgomery Avenue. This item was moved to the October 27th meeting for approval.

PUBLIC WORKS LAND ACQUISITION AND PROJECT

Manager Zollers stated the land has been surveyed and the project is now ready to go to the PC and MCPC for a lot line change. He stated before the actual construction would begin, the Borough would have to make application to go before the ZHB for zoning and the PC for land development, all of which staff would be working on the same time. President Zygmunt asked if the Borough could appear before the ZHB prior to the subdivision. Solicitor Pionzio stated yes as an equitable owner that is permitted. This item was moved to the October 27th meeting for approval.

VICTORIAN VILLAGE TREES DONATION

Manager Zollers stated that Victorian Village has offered approximately 15 trees to the Borough for placement in Borough parks. The trees would be planted in Miller Meadow along the sidewalk and in Eaton Park along the trail. Vice President Tompkins asked if the trees in Victorian Village were required as per their Land Development. Manager Zollers stated no. This item was moved to the October 27th meeting for approval.

ZONING/HISTORIC PRESERVATION

LI-TOD ZONING CHANGE DISCUSSION

Vice President Tompkins stated that as a result of meetings and comments, additional drafts were prepared and will have to be reviewed by the Borough Planning Commission and Montgomery County Planning Commission before coming back to Council for a hearing. Solicitor Pionzio stated that hearing is tentatively scheduled for November 24th.

Mr. Henry, 238 Bonair Avenue asked for clarification on the hearing date. Solicitor Pionzio stated it has tentatively been scheduled for 11/24.

ADMINISTRATION

STATION PARK TAX APPEAL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Solicitor Pionzio explained the settlement agreement, it is for a reduction for two years when the office park was not at full capacity, and now that they are full the assessment is at a higher figure. She stated the amount to be refunded is \$95,477.52, which she stated is a shocking number. She has requested the agreement to reflect a payment plan of 4 payments. This item was moved to the October 27th meeting for approval.

PENNYPACK CREEK PROJECT – REQUEST FOR PAYMENT

Engineer Dougherty stated the project is complete and the request for payment in the amount of \$163,796.00 to Eagle Contracting will need to be approved in order to be reimbursed. This item was moved to the October 27th meeting for approval.

POOL LINER PROJECT – REQUEST FOR PAYMENT

Manager Zollers stated the project is complete and the pool has been closed for the season. The amount to be paid is \$65,000. This item was moved to the October 27th meeting for approval.

HOMETOWN STREETS PROJECT – AUTHORIZE TO ADVERTISE RFQ

Manager Zollers stated that Council needs to authorize the advertising of RFQ for the Hometown Streets Project. This item was moved to the October 27th meeting for approval.

ADJOURNMENT

The October 13th, 2014 Committee meeting of Borough Council was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred "Fred" Zollers
Borough Secretary

Transcribed by Assistant Borough Secretary Diane Hegele