BOROUGH OF HATBORO
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th, 2015

PRESENT

President Tompkins, Vice President Rich, Councilpersons Forgeng, Harbaugh, Hegele, & Palmer; Mayor Hawkes, Manager Zollers, Assistant Secretary Hegele, Chief Gardner, Solicitor Pionzio, & Engineer Dougherty.

ABSENT

Councilman Zygmont; Treasurer Kalnajs.

CALL TO ORDER

President Tompkins called to order the September Committee meeting of Council to order at 6:00 P.M.

PUBLIC SAFETY

FIRE COMPANY EXPENDITURE LIST

This item was moved to the September 28th, 2015 Voting Meeting agenda for approval.

PAPAL VISIT

Police Chief Jim Gardner stated Montgomery County is well prepared. The Chief revealed Warminster Station is the only station open in the surrounding area; Hatboro Station will be closed. Because Hatboro borders Warminster, the Chief is expecting heavy traffic and parking issues that will spill over into the borough. He added that although train tickets must be purchased in advance, sales are currently down. Chief Gardner stated SEPTA will have modified schedules all weekend, and encourages all residents to prepare as if it is a winter storm. As for road closures, Chief Gardner stated Warminster is closing roads around the Warminster Train Station; heavy foot traffic is to be expected for Hatboro. The Chief also reminded the community that York Road is a feeder road—equivalent to Broad Street in Philadelphia. He speculates more parking in Hatboro and stresses that it must be legal. Chief Gardner reports Hatboro Police Department is involved with mutual aid with Montgomery County. The Chief will be in all weekend and will monitor the Hatboro Train Station. Chief Gardner revealed Hatboro's Emergency Operations Center will be set up Friday in case needed over the weekend; The Montgomery County EOC will be open until the conclusion of the event. Councilman Tompkins asked if the Hatboro Station will be marked "closed." The Chief stated it is well advertised, yet he will contact SEPTA. Councilman Rich asked how many trains should be expected. The Chief stated trains will be operating around the clock—Sunday night until Monday morning, possibly effecting Monday morning work traffic.

FINANCE

Councilman Harbaugh stated staff is working on budget. The first meeting of staff and the Finance Committee is scheduled for 9/24/2015.

GRANTS AND FUNDING

Councilman Zygmont was absent, Councilman Harbaugh stated there was nothing for the agenda this evening.

PUBLIC WORKS

Councilman Hegele stated he had nothing for his agenda this evening.

FACILITIES AND PARKS

FACILITIES PROJECT

Joe Zadlo reported he is working with staff on Public Works and Police Department Projects. Zadlo stated Public Works bid results were unresponsive. Zadlo revealed they only received one bid, which the bidder knew their numbers were incorrect. Zadlo reported his numbers valuing HVAC at $287,000, which is correct, and the alternate bathroom at $114,000, which is incorrect. Zadlo stated a meeting with the bidder to examine numbers has been set. He suggests backing off aggressive schedule and planning a new schedule. Councilman Hegele asked if there will be a rebid. Zadlo stated yes. Councilman Harbaugh asked if the bid for the pre-fab building was okay. Zadlo stated that part of the bid was okay and inline. Councilman Palmer asked if this will impact the timeline. Zadlo stated yes because the two projects are tied together. Public Works bidding must be completed before beginning the Police Station bid. Zadlo estimates a three month delay.

ZONING/HISTORIC PRESERVATION

CROOKED EYE BREWERY

President Tompkins stated Crooked Eye Brewery appeared before the ZHB on September 9th, 2015 and the ZHB has yet to render a decision on the application.

ADMINISTRATION

STORAGE ORDINANCE

Solicitor Pionzio stated the Borough Planning Commission met on 9-1-15 and reviewed the changes to this ordinance. She requested Council wait till the County Planning Commission comments are received and once the comment period has passed she will then advertise. This matter will be on the October agenda for consideration.

FIRE HOUSE PROJECT

Manager Fred Zollers reported leaking AC unit in the addition caused more damage to property. Manager Zollers stated the insurance company has agreed to pay for the damage, then go after Titanium for the loss. Manager Zollers added there will be no out of pocket costs to the Borough or Enterprise Fire Company for the damage done, and smaller items can be done in house at little or no cost. Manager Zollers reported Joe Zadlo is working with Codes Inspections, Inc. for corrections to bring the building to code for a Certificate of Occupancy.

SCOPE OF SERVICES – FIRE HOUSE PROJECT

Manager Zollers stated Council needs to update the original scope of services for Mr. Zadlo for this project. This item was moved to the September 28, 2015 voting meeting for consideration.

EMERGENCY REPAIR OF FIREHOUSE ROOF

Manager Zollers reported that due to the ongoing mold issue in the building is necessitating the emergency repairs to the roof. Solicitor Pionzio stated because it is an emergency and not taking corrective action would result in more damage to the building this has to be done and is not subject to the bidding requirements set forth in the Borough Code. Councilman Harbaugh asked the whole roof in need of repair, or part of the roof. Manager Zollers stated the whole roof, an extensive job. Solicitor Pionzio stated the Borough had prior awareness to the roof issues and its need to be replaced. Solicitor Pionzio added with the walls now open, the damage from water is much more visible and it is destroying the addition.

Bruce Hart, Earl Lane asked when Woodwinds will be demolished. Manager Fred Zollers stated the Borough has signed with the contractor and all is in order; the pre-demo meeting is to be scheduled. Engineer Jim Dougherty stated meeting will occur within a month. Councilman Tompkins asked if the school district is to bus. Manager Zollers stated yes, waiting to bus. Manager Zollers added notification will be sent to residents in area in Mitchell Park.

ADJOURNMENT

The September 14th, 2015 meeting of Borough Council was adjourned at 6:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred "Fred" Zollers
Borough Secretary

Transcribed by Assistant Borough Secretary Diane Hegele