

BOROUGH OF HATBORO  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 26th, 2015

PRESENT

President Tompkins, Vice President Rich, Councilpersons Forgeng, Harbaugh, Hegele, Palmer & Zygmunt; Mayor Hawkes; Borough Manager Zollers, Assistant Secretary Hegele, Chief Gardner, Fire Marshal Reading, Solicitor Kearney, & Engineer Dougherty.

ABSENT

Treasurer Kalnjas was absent this evening.

CALL TO ORDER

President Tompkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

INVOCATION – Mayor Hawkes gave the invocation for this evening.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chief Gardner.

MEETING NOTES – President Tompkins announced that staff is taping this meeting. He stated that there are two opportunities on the agenda for the public to address Council. The first privilege of the floor is for voting agenda items only.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Nancy Barr, 206 Wood Street had questions concerning the escrow release for 125 Manor Road, she specifically wanted to know if this was a final release. President Tompkins stated escrow releases are typically in phases as the project progresses. This is the first release.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Hawkes welcomed a new business to town, Nourishing Storm at 126 N. York Road. He stated he attended a ribbon cutting this past weekend.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - President Tompkins reminded everyone this weekend is Halloween and asked everyone to watch for trick or treaters and that the clocks are turned back one hour.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Councilman Harbaugh gave the Treasurer's Report for the month of September 2015. He noted a balance of \$4,346,031.67. Interest earned for the month totaled \$346.28 on all accounts.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT** – Solicitor Kearney asked for a motion to adjourn the Council meeting and open the Hearing for the Portable Storage Ordinance. Councilman Harbaugh motioned to close the Council meeting, motion seconded by Councilman Zygmunt, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

### **PORTABLE STORAGE ORDINANCE**

Solicitor Kearney stated the Borough was notified that the PODS ordinance that was passed had to be changed due to PODS being trademarked. The Ordinance was changed and reviewed by County Planning Commission and Borough Planning Commission. She stated while changing, the Borough added shipping containers. She stated this has been discussed at past meetings and is now ready to be formally adopted. She asked that this be approved tonight.

Councilman Zygmunt motioned to close hearing and reopen Council meeting, motion seconded by Councilman Palmer, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT** – Engineer Dougherty stated he had no report this evening.

**MANAGER'S REPORT** – Manager Zollers stated the work at the fire house is progressing. He also stated the clock is done and will be reinstalled soon. Manager Zollers stated staff is continuing to work on the property maintenance issues that were addressed at the September meeting. He stated the Borough is issuing citations.

Chief Gardner stated he met with the Game Commission Wildlife Officer and he went to the house in question and left his card, he is not sure if the resident called the Wildlife Officer back.

### **DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORS' REPORT**

**CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT** – Chief Gardner stated the YMCA will be hosting two events this coming weekend, one on Friday night, there will be a crossing guard and fire police present since it is a night event. He stated all costs will be paid by the YMCA. He announced the Skeleton Skurry will be on Saturday, it is the same route as in the past. There will be temporary road closures including a rolling road closure on York Road. He ended reminding everyone that Saturday night is Halloween, he asked everyone to drive safely and watch for increased pedestrian activity. He stated the PD would be out handing out candy. He stated a nixle would be put out regarding trick or treating safety tips.

**TAX COLLECTIONS REPORT** – The Tax Collection Report was submitted to Council in advance of tonight's meeting, and that copies of the report were available.

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT** – The Public Works Report was submitted to Council in advance of tonight's meeting, and that copies of the report were available on the sign in table. Manager Zollers stated the parking kiosks will be installed this week and they will be replacing the money box.

**FIRE MARSHAL REPORT** – The Fire Marshal Report was submitted to Council in advance of tonight's meeting, and that copies of the report were available on the sign in table. Fire Marshal Reading had nothing further to report.

## VOTING ITEMS

Acknowledgement of Reports – Vice President Rich motioned to acknowledge the receipt of the tax collections, public works, fire marshal, treasurer's reports, UMHJSA minutes, motion seconded by Councilman Forgeng, all ayes. Motion carried 8-0.

Approval of Warrant List, Payment of Bills, Manual Checks and Transfers – Councilman Harbaugh motioned to approve the warrant list, payment of bills, manual checks and transfers for the month of October 2015, motion seconded by Councilman Zygmunt, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Council Meeting & October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Committee Meeting Minutes – Councilman Zygmunt motioned to approve the September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Council meeting and October 12<sup>th</sup> Committee meeting minutes, motion seconded by Vice President Rich, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

FIRE COMPANY EXPENDITURE LIST – Councilman Palmer motioned to approve the Enterprise Fire Company Expenditure List for September 2015 in the amount of \$13,897.19, motion seconded by Councilman Hegele, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

FIRE COMPANY CAPITAL EXPENDITURE LIST – Councilman Palmer motioned to approve the September Capital Expenditure List in the amount of \$57,250.90, motion seconded by Councilman Hegele all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

MOLD REMEDIATION – ENTERPRISE FIRE CO FIRE HOUSE PROJECT – President Tompkins stated he talked to the Fire Chief today, they just received the quote today in the amount of \$4319.51. Vice President Rich motioned to approve award of the mold remediation in the amount of \$4319.51 pending staff review/approval, motion seconded by Councilman Palmer, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT BIDS – President Tompkins stated that the bids were significantly over budget and the project will have to be re-bid. Councilman Zygmunt motioned to reject bids received for this project, motion seconded by Councilman Palmer, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT – REQUEST FOR BIDS – Councilman Harbaugh motioned to authorize advertisement to re-bid the Public Works Facility Project, motion seconded by Councilman Zygmunt, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

PORTABLE STORAGE ORDINANCE NO. 1027 – Vice President Rich motioned to approve Ordinance No. 1027, motion seconded by Councilman Zygmunt, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

123 MANOR ROAD – ESCROW RELEASE #1 – Councilman Hegele motioned to approve escrow release #1 in the amount of \$29,509.80, motion seconded by Councilman Harbaugh, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

EMPLOYEE RATIFICATION LIST – Vice President Rich motioned to approve employee ratification list for October 2015, motion seconded by Councilman Zygmunt, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

SPECIAL UPDATES

Councilman Harbaugh reminded everyone there would be a budget workshop on Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 PM.

OLD BUSINESS – President Tompkins stated there was an incident with the HVAC at the Fire House and the estimate for repairs is \$13,500. He needs Council approval to move forward. He stated there maybe an insurance claim forthcoming, but Council has to act tonight to get the repairs done. Vice President Rich motioned to authorize staff to approve HVAC emergency repairs at the Firehouse, motion seconded by Councilman Palmer, all ayes. Motion carried 7-0.

President Tompkins stated since this was not on the agenda previously he would open the floor up for any comment on this matter, there was none.

NEW BUSINESS – There was no new business to come before Council.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Chris Lovrinic, 53 E. Montgomery Avenue thanked staff for the update on the raccoon issue at his neighbors. He stated he has photos of the damage to his property. He stated recently the raccoons knocked over his patio umbrella which fell into his car. He stated the second issue he has is the structural issue, he stated the pipe he complained about previously has been removed. He stated the front porch is still not repaired. Manager Zollers stated the Borough is citing the property owner for violations to the code where applicable. Councilman Palmer asked if the property owner has called Borough staff to discuss the issue. Manager Zollers stated no. Mr. Lovrinic stated he has contacted an attorney who told him to advise Township Council the attorney is going to get involved as this is unacceptable.

ADJOURNMENT

The October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting of Borough Council was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred “Fred” Zollers  
Borough Secretary

Transcribed by Assistant Borough Secretary Diane Hegele

