

**BOROUGH OF HATBORO
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 9th, 2016**

PRESENT

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

ABSENT

Councilman Zygmunt and Manager Zollers were absent.

CALL TO ORDER

President Tompkins called to order the May 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 April 2016 Expenditure List. This item was moved to the May 23rd, 2016 Council agenda for approval.

FIRE COMPANY CAPITAL EXPENDITURE LIST

Councilman Palmer stated Council was in receipt of the April 2016 Capital Expenditure List. This item was moved to the May 23rd, 2016 Council agenda for approval.

FINANCE

FACILITIES PROJECT FINANCING

Councilman Harbaugh announced bids for both projects were \$2,812,510 for police facility with alternates and \$665,800 with alternates for Public Works; a total of \$3,478,312 or 3.5 million. He stated the finance committee has been working with staff to find the best way to pay. He stated for the past year discussions were held with the Authority on borrowing money from them, he stated the Authority has 5 million that they are managing and investing, the Borough could borrow interest to do projects. He stated the Borough is permitted to do this, we would be borrowing from ourselves and paying the interest back, he stated currently the authority is investigating with a rate of 2% earned, the Borough would borrow at 3% rate. He stated the Borough will be meeting with the Authority again to talk about borrowing and investing. Councilman Harbaugh stated a second option would be to borrow from TD Bank, staff has received an expression of interest from the Bank at 2.6% for 20 years, and the rate would be fixed for 10 years. Councilman Harbaugh stated his feeling is to hear what the Authority has to say, and if TD ends up more attractive then borrow from them, or if the Authority is a better option borrow from them. President Tompkins stated Council has authorized to borrow but the amount may have to change. Councilman Hegele stated he has questions about the Authority agreement. President Tompkins asked him to send his questions to Fred. He stated the agreement seems restrictive.

Mr. Battis, W. Moreland Avenue stated add in the alternatives, add in the change orders, borrow 4 million, do this straight forward, straight loan, get bathroom and don't encumber future council. Councilman Harbaugh thought 4 million is a good number and he too has concerns over encumbering future council. Mr. Battis stated you can't award bids without contract review, he also need to know how we are going to pay. Councilman Harbaugh stated Council may have a better idea Monday night after the Authority meeting, he stated it probably will not be until July before they actually need to begin making payments. Solicitor Pionzio stated Council can use interest from the Authority if need be. She stated there is no legal obligation to have financing in place to start construction. Project Manager Zadlo stated probably July for some bills. He stated if awarded in two weeks, they may be able to start in late June, July billing would be nominal, and August may be more realistic time to see sizeable bills. This item was moved to the May 23rd, 2016 agenda for approval.

Councilman Harbaugh stated he will be having a capital budget meeting on June 6th, it will take place under the finance portion of the agenda.

GRANTS AND FUNDING

CDBG GRANT SUBMISSION

Councilman Harbaugh stated he had nothing for the agenda this evening.

PUBLIC WORKS

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION 50th ANNIVERSARY RESOLUTION

Councilman Hegele read a resolution written by the MCPWA recognizing the 50th Anniversary of the Association. This item was moved to the May 23rd, 2016 Council agenda for approval.

FACILITIES AND PARKS

FACILITIES PROJECT BID UPDATE

Vice President Rich stated a representative from Spiezel Architects was present to review the bid results. The architect from Spiezel stated bids were opened publicly for both projects, there were 7 bids received for the Police Station and 4 for the Public Works Building. All the bids were reviewed and checked and his office is recommending Council award the bid for both projects to Gordon H. Bayer. Project Manager Zadlo stated the contract needs to be submitted for review. Once the Solicitor reviews and makes comment or changes the projects can be awarded to Bayer. Project Manager Zadlo stated Council needs to decide on alternates, he will put together a memo on alternates that will include his recommendation.

Mr. Battis asked how much. President Tompkins stated that this will be discussed under the finance agenda.

Councilman Hegele asked if the PW Bid includes improvement to the bath facilities. He was told no. Councilman Hegele stated the employees have been using the same bathroom for 35 years. Project Manager Zadlo stated he could look at getting a price from contractor and present to Council. Councilman Hegele stated PW employees had a second bathroom in the garage they used at the PD but that is no longer an option, now they are down to one bathroom for 17 men and nothing for a female employee. President Tompkins stated he does not want to hold up the bids. Councilman Hegele asked if bathroom improvements would fit in the new area. Project Manager Zadlo stated no. Councilman Hegele stated he wants to see changes made. He stated things have been changed with this particular project and he is not been made aware of all of them. Project Manager Zadlo stated the original bid documents had a Cadillac construction for a bathroom, the original bid had an ADA bathroom and shower. Councilman Hegele asked why the

shower was removed. He asked if this bid includes a shower. He wants the employees there to have a shower, he wants something done with this now or later. This matter was moved to the May 23rd, 2016 Council agenda for approval.

The matter of financing was discussed at this point in the meeting, see above for discussion.

YMCA REQUEST USE OF POOL SWIM MEETS

Vice President Rich stated the Borough has received a request from the YMCA to use the Borough pool for their swim meets on June 23rd, June 28th and July 7th. Mr. Ron Battis asked for the number of nights. Vice President Rich stated 3 nights. This item was moved to the May 23rd, 2016 Council agenda for approval.

WOODWINDS PARK NAMING

Councilman Forgeng stated that Council would like to name the open space in Woodwinds in honor of a Borough resident. Mr. Ron Battis, W. Moreland Avenue asked what this means. President Tompkins stated that a name has been suggested that everyone knows. Mr. Battis asked if the name was discussed behind closed doors without public opinion. President Tompkins stated the name is not being discussed as the family has not been spoken to yet. Solicitor Pionzio stated Council is permitted to speak to each other, a name was floated, the family needs to be consulted and then it will be discussed. Mr. Battis stated that the people in town have a choice. President Tompkins asked for suggestions to be sent to Manager Zollers or Assistant Secretary Hegele.

ZONING/HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ZONING CHANGE REQUEST UPDATE - YORK/HORSHAM ROADS

President Tompkins reminded everyone that the hearing on this matter will be before the Council meeting on Monday, May 23rd at 7:00 PM.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION/HISTORIAN DISCUSSION

President Tompkins stated with the recent retirement of the Borough Historian, people have come forward but it is a lot to fill Dave Shannon's shoes. He stated the ordinance does allow for a Historical Commission, which may be easier to fill. He asked for anyone interested in participating in the Commission to please send a letter of interest to Assistant Secretary Hegele. Mr. Battis, W. Moreland Avenue stated all the history of Hatboro is with the Millbrook Society and he hopes the Borough will have access to.

ADMINISTRATION

PHILADELPHIA WAGE TAX RESOLUTION

Vice President Rich stated the Montgomery County Association of Township Officials has requested that municipalities consider passing a resolution to move the issue of the City wage tax specifically the Wage Tax as adopted by the City requires non-residents working in the city to pay the tax on all wages earned and does not require the city to remit any portion of the taxes paid back to the home communities if they have an adopted EIT. The resolution as presented is asking the State Legislature to amend the law and require that up to 1% of the taxes paid to the city be remitted to the municipality in which the taxpayer resides, if they have adopted an EIT. This item was moved to the May 23rd, 2016 Council agenda for approval.

CDBG MORELAND AVENUE PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL PAYMENT REQUEST #1

Vice President Rich stated Council is in receipt of a payment request #1 for this project in the amount of \$36, 573.75. This item was moved to the May 23rd, 2016 Council agenda for approval.

CDBG MORELAND AVENUE PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL PROJECT CHANGE ORDER #1

Engineer Dougherty stated the contractor has requested a change order, however was not able to submit the paperwork in time for this meeting. He stated if he has it in time, Council could approve at the May 23rd meeting. This item was moved to the May 23rd, 2016 Council agenda for approval.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – REQUEST TO INSTALL BANNERS YORK ROAD

President Tompkins stated that the Chamber of Commerce would like to install banners along York Road recognizing local veterans. Assistant Secretary Hegele stated there were handouts on the table in the back of the room. Solicitor Pionzio stated she did not think Council needed to vote since the Borough has already done this work before.

President Tompkins announced that Councilman Zygmunt has indicated that he intends to resign from Borough Council. President Tompkins asked anyone who was interested to please submit a letter of interest to Assistant Secretary Hegele. Solicitor Pionzio stated that Council has 45 days to accept the resignation, then after acceptance they have 30 days to fill the seat.

ADJOURNMENT

President Tompkins adjourned the May 9th, 2016 Committee meeting of Borough Council at 7:48 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Diane C. Hegele
Assistant Borough Secretary

Transcribed by Assistant Borough Secretary Diane Hegele