

BOROUGH OF HATBORO
COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24th, 2016

PRESENT

President Tompkins, Vice President Rich, Councilpersons Forgeng, Harbaugh, McElroy & Palmer, Mayor Hawkes; Borough Manager Zollers, Assistant Secretary Hegele, Chief Gardner, Fire Marshal Myers, Solicitor Pionzio, Engineer Dougherty & Treasurer Kalnajs.

ABSENT

Councilman Hegele was absent.

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION – Mayor Hawkes gave the invocation for the meeting.

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

MEETING NOTES – President Tompkins announced that the first privilege of the floor is for voting agenda items only.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – There was no comment from the public at this time.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Hawkes asked Chief Gardner to report on a recent overdose call. Chief Gardner reported that his officers were called to a subject who overdosed, the officers used narcan and was able to save the person's life.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - President Tompkins stated Council met with interested residents who want to serve on the Historical Commission and Library Board. He stated Council would be making formal appointments at the November Council meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Treasurer Kalnajs gave the Treasurer's Report for the month of September 2016. He noted a balance of \$2,983,410.43. Interest earned for the month totaled \$365.66 on all accounts.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – Solicitor Pionzio stated she had no report this month.

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

MANAGER'S REPORT – Manager Zollers reported that the Hometown Streets Project is progressing, they are jumping around but are on schedule. He stated the facilities projects are on schedule and a new drawing for bathroom facilities at PW has been received and under review.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT – Chief Gardner announced another Drug Take Back Day on October 22nd, 2016 was successful, 30.6 lbs. of medication was collected. He reminded everyone that the Skeleton Skurry is this weekend, there will be temporary road closures during the event on the west side of town. He stated the cell doors for the police station project were delivered. Things are moving along well.

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 he had nothing further to report.

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 Myers stated that October is Fire Prevention month and he has worked with the Fire Company in the local schools and daycares. He also participated in the joint Fire Prevention expo with Willow Grove and Horsham. He stated Lochel’s Bakery is hosting Fire Prevention program at the Bakery this Saturday from 11-1. He also advised that the north end siren is being improved for Emergency Communications. He also thanked everyone who responded to the York Road Pharmacy fire, he stated it came in as a fire alarm and when Manager Zollers (Assistant Chief EFC) arrived there was heavy smoke, he stated because of the alarm system and the great work by the Fire Company the fire was one room and contents only.

VOTING ITEMS

Acknowledgement of Reports – Councilman Palmer motioned to acknowledge the receipt of the tax collections, public works, fire marshal, treasurer’s reports, Borough Authority Minutes and UMHJSA minutes, motion seconded by Councilman Harbaugh, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Warrant List, Payment of Bills, Manual Checks and Transfers – Vice President Rich motioned to approve the warrant list, payment of bills, manual checks and transfers for the month of October 2016, motion seconded by Councilman Forgeng all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 26th, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes – Councilman Harbaugh motioned to approve the September 26th, 2016 Council meeting minutes, motion seconded by Vice President Rich, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0

October 10th, 2016 Committee Meeting Minutes - Councilman Palmer motioned to approve the October 10th, 2016 Committee meeting minutes, motion seconded by Councilwoman McElroy, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

FIRE COMPANY EXPENDITURE LIST – Councilman Palmer motioned to approve the Enterprise Fire Company Expenditure List for in the amount of \$18,715.94, motion seconded by Councilman Harbaugh, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

SALE OF EQUIPMENT – POLICE STATION GENERATOR – Vice President Rich motioned to authorize sale of generator from Police Station on Municibid, motion seconded by Councilman Palmer, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

CODE OF ORDINANCE MAINTENANCE UPDATE – Councilman Harbaugh motioned to approve authorization and agreement to enter into services with General Code for the Codification Process in the amount of \$5,952.00, motion seconded by Vice President Rich, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

HATBORO FACILITIES PROJECT – POLICE – PAYMENT REQUEST #4 – Vice President Rich motioned to approve payment request #4 in the amount of \$179,592.05, motion seconded by Councilman Palmer, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

HATBORO FACILITIES PROJECT – PUBLIC WORKS – PAYMENT REQUEST #4 – Vice President Rich motioned to approve payment request #4 in the amount of \$30,371.99, motion seconded by Councilwoman McElroy, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

HOMETOWN STREETS PROJECT PAYMENT REQUEST #4 – Councilman Harbaugh motioned to approve payment request #4 in the amount of \$132,556.75, motion seconded by Councilwoman McElroy, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

PENSION ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO NON UNIFORMED PENSION PLAN – Vice President Rich motioned to table this matter until further information is received, motion seconded by Councilman Palmer, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

EMPLOYEE RATIFICATION LIST – Councilman Palmer motioned to approve the employee ratification list for the month of October, motion seconded Councilman Harbaugh, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

SPECIAL UPDATES – There were no updates from Council this month.

OLD BUSINESS –

AUTHORITY LOAN UPDATE – Solicitor Pionzio stated her office is still working with DCED on the terms of the loan. She stated the DCED is the watchdog of municipal lending, she stated they are still looking at the structure of the loan, they are not there yet but she is hoping by next meeting.

WOODWINDS PROJECT – FINAL PAYMENT – Councilman Harbaugh motioned to approve payment request #5, final payment in the amount of \$6000.00, this motion was seconded by Councilman Palmer, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

President Tompkins asked for any public comment on this matter, there was none.

NEW BUSINESS

BUDGET WORKSHOP – Councilman Harbaugh motioned to authorize staff to advertise the budget workshop on 11-7-2016, motion seconded by Councilman Palmer, all ayes. Motion carried 6-0.

President Tompkins asked for any public comment on this matter, there was none.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Barb Petersen, 240 E. Monument Avenue asked for a No Parking Sign here to corner at the end of her street, she stated she recently almost had a head on collision at E. Monument and Wood Street, President Tompkins asked her to meet with the Manager and Chief of Police after the meeting so they could resolve her concerns.

Lee Phillips, Wood Street agreed cars park too close to the corner.

Chris Mapes, Hatboro Little League President, stated that they are planning on doing a lot of work and will need financial help. He stated they have sent a list of minor repairs but are still waiting on quotes for the larger projects. He reviewed with Council a list of items and what they believe the costs would be. Council asked if they could prioritize the projects and get back to Council. Mr. Mapes stated yes, he also stated that Little League is 100% non-profit, all volunteers and any help would be appreciated

ADJOURNMENT

The October 24th, 2016 meeting of Borough Council was adjourned at 7:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Alfred “Fred” Zollers
Borough Secretary

Transcribed by Assistant Borough Secretary Diane Hegele