

COUNCIL MEETING

August 7, 2017

Attendees: Kali Sodano, Council President; Gianpiero Lo Piccolo, Vice President; Barbara Heffelfinger, Rich Flanagan, John Stratz, Karen Flowers, Beverly Wolfe, Borough Council; Bob Winkler, Mayor; Mike Peters, Solicitor; and Sean Nagy, Engineer

The meeting was called to order by Council President Kali Sodano at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There will be an executive session after adjournment of the meeting.

MOTION BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. Approval of Minutes: July 17, 2017 Council Meeting/Work Session
- b. Reading and Approval of Bills

General Fund	\$24,505.96
Fire Tax Fund	\$ 2,382.22
Refuse Fund	\$14,546.09
Sewer Fund	\$35,952.97
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 4,607.23
Sewer Capital Fund	\$ 572.00
Liquid Fuel Fund	\$ 3,957.07

Escrow Bills

Verrichia:

Business Card	\$ 37.72
Eastburn & Gray	\$ 187.50
Gilmore & Assoc.	\$ 27.50
Pennoni Associates	\$ 110.00

Payroll

General Fund	\$21,491.10
Sewer Fund	\$ 2,195.48
Refuse Fund	<u>\$ 472.89</u>

Total **\$24,159.47**

Pre Paid Checks

Check #11530 dated July 5, 2017 made out to Langhorne Postmaster in the amount of \$260.48 for quarterly billing postage

Check #11531 dated July 6, 2017 made out to Di Sandro Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$4,725.00 for balance of Invoice #1173

Check #11532 dated July 7, 2017 made out to Di Sandro Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$1,025.00 for line striping at the recreation field

Check #11533 dated July 10, 2017 made out to GameTime in the amount of \$516.70 for replacement parts for playground equipment

Check #11534 dated July 17, 2017 made out to Neshaminy Wildcats in the amount of \$300.00 for donation to replace light over playground

SECONDED BY RICH FLANAGAN. All ayes, carried.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Winkler read his report, which is on file in the secretary's office.

Father Bob Gross from Our Lady of Grace contacted the Mayor about their Food Truck Fall Festival in the church parking lot scheduled for October 6, 2017. They have requested that Crescent Street between Bellevue Avenue and Monroe Avenue and Monroe Avenue Avenue between Woodland Avenue and Crescent Street be closed off for the event.

Code Enforcement Report – Mayor Winkler read the report, which is on file in the secretary's office.

Fire Marshall's Report – Mayor Winkler read the report, which is on file in the secretary's office.

Solicitor's Report

Michael Peters reported that all of the development agreements for the Wawa project have been sent to the borough and they intend to close on the properties the week of August 15th.

Engineer's Report

Bucks County Water and Sewer Authority does not plan on any work to be done on the recently repaved streets in the borough as mentioned at the last meeting. They are planning a main replacement on Rumpf Avenue and the rest of the work is in Middletown and Langhorne Manor. John Butler said we will receive a letter soon about the five-year moratorium on roads recently paved. Work will be done on Center Street before it is paved.

Committee Reports

Recreation Board (Karen Flowers):

Bob Henry with the Penndel Wildcats signed the agreement for the football season. The approval of the agreement on tonight's agenda does not have to be done since it was already approved. There will be two fund raisers at Rita's Water Ice in Penndel on Tuesday, August 15th from 6-8 p.m. and Sunday, September 10th from 2-4 p.m. Proceeds will go towards future projects at the Memorial Field. They will also have a chili contest on October 7th at the recreation field. In case of bad weather, they will use borough hall.

MOTION BY KAREN FLOWERS TO WAIVE HALL RENTAL FEE IF HALL IS USED ON OCTOBER 7, 2017 FOR THE CHILI CONTEST. SECONDED BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO. All ayes, carried.

Clips were removed from the handicapped swing seat belt. The clips and other parts ordered for the playground should be delivered to borough hall this week. Community Development Block Grant Funds check will be issued on Friday which pays for the new walkway and resealing of the basketball court. TAG came out to remove graffiti on sidewalk on Dalola Avenue last week. The incident was reported to the police department and the Mayor.

Finance (Gianpiero Lo Piccolo):

The Committee will start selecting dates for the 2018 budget meetings and will be announced at the August work session. Fred Ebert and the Mayor attended the meeting today at Bucks County Water and Sewer Authority. Fred will be attending the work session on 8/21 to discuss

details discussed at the meeting with BCW&SA. There will be an executive session before the meeting to discuss possible litigation. He will summarize everything so everyone has all of the information. We are a Neshaminy Interceptor member, which BCW&SA feeds into. The city of Philadelphia had a lot of things imposed on them by the DEP. Their storm water and sewer dumps into the Delaware River. They have to create new projects to reduce run off and part of that will impose fees on municipalities. The borough will need to choose between two options on how to proceed which they requested by the end of August.

Public Safety (Rich Flanagan):

Rich Flanagan has tried to contact Officer Perry, newly appoint Officer In Charge, for a committee meeting. A date will be set after Officer Perry returns from vacation.

Community Development (Beverly Wolfe/John Stratz):

Beverly Wolfe thanked Gianpiero Lo Piccolo for taking care of a downed tree on the Taddei Woods Trail and also John Stratz for cleaning up the entrances and for helping keep Taddei Woods clean.

At the committee meeting they discussed ordinances that need to be reviewed and possibly modified. Another meeting will be scheduled after her current work is completed.

Bev would like to adopt a resolution naming the date of the wall event as a veteran remembrance day in Penndel in honor of the Traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall annually. She also would like to present a proclamation to Ed Preston and the Wall Committee for all of their hard work. Michael Peters will prepare a resolution and a proclamation on behalf of the Mayor for the next work session.

John Stratz has been cleaning up weeds regularly at Taddei Woods.

Kali Sodano also thanked Gianpiero Lo Piccolo for cleaning up weeds at Borough Hall.

Community Relations (Barbara Heffelfinger):

Rite Aid would like to have a Flu Clinic to give flu shots at borough hall. No date has been scheduled at this time. It will go out on the website and will be announced and posted.

The Richardson House in Langhorne (build in 1738), at the corner of Bellevue Avenue and Maple Avenue in Langhorne Borough, was purchased by all five communities after World War I. The grounds are taken care of by the garden club. Residents may receive letters requesting donations. Barbara said the house is in need of repairs and it is a worthwhile cause. Donations can be sent to the Langhorne Community Memorial Committee or you can contact her by calling the borough office.

After the closing of the Wall Memorial event there was mention of possibly having a time capsule and enclose the names of all of the Buck County soldiers along with the memorabilia that people left by their loved ones' names. She is going to look into the process of how to accomplish this for the borough.

Unfinished Business

The PA Turnpike fees were waived. John Lo Piccolo paid the balance after administrative fees were waived by putting it on his personal E-Z Pass account.

MOTION BY KAREN FLOWERS TO AUTHORIZE ONLINE POSTING AND EBLAST THROUGH THE PA CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSOCIATION FOR \$500.00. SECONDED BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO. All ayes, carried. The following residents commented on this process: Mike Smith, Vince Carcel, Dave Cahill.

MOTION BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER TO TABLE THE MOTION ON MEETING ATTENDANCE VIA TELEPHONE RESOLUTION. SECONDED BY JOHN STRATZ. The vote was: 2 ayes, 5 nos (Rich Flanagan, Karen Flowers, Gianpiero Lo Piccolo, Kali Sodano and Beverly Wolfe). Motion failed.

MOTION BY RICH FLANAGAN TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS AT PUBLIC MEETINGS BY MEANS OF TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICES UNDER LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES. SECONDED BY KAREN FLOWERS. The vote was: 4 ayes, 3 nos (Barbara Heffelfinger, John Stratz, and Beverly Wolfe). Motion carried. The following residents commented on the resolution: Mike Smith, Arlene Harms, Dave Cahill, and Lynda Roe.

MOTION BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO TO ACCEPT CONCRETE WORK PROPOSAL #1219 FROM PAUL AND SONS GENERAL CONTRACTING LLC FOR 300 BELLEVUE AVENUE AND 37 W. WOODLAND AVENUE FOR \$4,385.00. SECONDED BY BEVERLY WOLFE. The vote was 6 ayes, 1 abstention (Barbara Heffelfinger- did not have time to review the documents). Motion carried. The following residents commented on subject: Lynda Roe, Mike Smith, and Dave Cahill.

MOTION BY BEVERLY WOLFE TO WAIVE PERMIT FEES FOR PROPOSAL #1219 FROM PAUL AND SONS GENERAL CONTRACTING LLC FOR 300 BELLEVUE AVENUE AND 37 W. WOODLAND AVENUE FOR \$4,385.00. SECONDED BY KAREN FLOWERS. All ayes, carried.

New Business

Sean Nagy gave a brief timeline on the Fall Road Program. The advertisement will go out in August, the bid will be awarded in September. Paving should be starting at the end of September or the beginning of October.

MOTION BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO TO AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE FALL ROAD PROGRAM. SECONDED BY JOHN STRATZ. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY KAREN FLOWERS TO AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD FOR THE MS4 POLLUTANT REDUCTION PLAN AND TMDL PLAN. SECONDED BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY RICH FLANAGAN TO AWARD THE 2017-2018 FUEL BIDS FOR #2 HEATING OIL TO RIGGINS, INC. AT \$0.1425 PER GALLON AND OFF ROAD DIESEL FUEL TO SHIPLEY FUELS MARKETING LLC AT \$0.1750 PER GALLON. SECONDED BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY BEVERLY WOLFE TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #2017-3 PROVIDING FOR THE INSPECTION AND POSSIBLE REPLACEMENT OF PRIVATE SERVICE LATERALS. SECONDED BY JOHN STRATZ. The vote was 6 ayes, 1 no (Barbara Heffelfinger-she did not have time to review the documents). Motion carried. The following residents had questions or comments on the ordinance: Mike Sodano, Ken Murawski, Fred Harms, and Dave Cahill.

Public Comment

Lynda Roe, 391 Walker Avenue, negotiation of trash contact, problems with yard waste pick up, community development committee meeting, members and chairpersons of committees (clarification made between Council committees and non-borough affiliated committees)

Vince Carcel, Joyce Avenue, curbs and sidewalks on Route 1, U & O permit issued with concrete deficiencies

Dave Cahill, 462 Cynthia Avenue, liens on property owners that did not do concrete repairs, man hours on police security detail at the Vietnam Memorial Wall event.

Pat Donahue, curbs and sidewalk repairs on Route 1 if repaved

MOTION BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:53 P.M.
SECONDED BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO. All ayes, carried.

Council went into executive session.

Submitted by:

Marie Serota, Secretary/Treasurer