

COUNCIL MEETING

November 6, 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.

Announcements

There will be an executive session after adjournment for personnel procedures.

Borough Hall will be open tomorrow for voting between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Public Comment

Suzi Drake, 629 Bellevue Avenue, Annual Halloween Parade & Contest not held at borough hall

MOTION BY KAREN FLOWERS TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. Approval of Minutes: October 2 , 2017 Council Meeting
- b. Approval of Minutes: October 16, 2017 Work Session
- c. Approval of Minutes: October 25, 2017 Budget Work Session
- d. Reading and Approval of Bills

General Fund	\$24,884.35
Refuse Fund	\$15,518.54
Sewer Fund	\$37,501.00
Liquid Fuel Fund	\$ 3,516.23
Sewer Capital Fund	\$ 51.32
Fire Tax Fund	\$ 515.69
Capital Reserve Fund	\$ 1,225.75
Escrow	\$ 4,000.00

Payroll

General Fund	\$22,326.95
Sewer Fund	\$ 2,195.48
Refuse Fund	<u>\$ 472.89</u>

Total **\$24,995.32**

Pre-paid Checks

Check #11623 dated September 18, 2017 made out to Paul & Sons General Contracting LLC in the amount of \$4,385.00 for concrete work

Check #11670 dated October 3, 2017 made out to Langhorne Postmaster in the amount of \$264.56 for 3rd quarter postage

Check #11671 dated October 6, 2017 made out to Bucks County Treasurer in the amount of \$25.00 for small game license renewal

Beverly Wolfe asked what the invoice for Henry's Alternators was for. Karen Flowers responded that it was for replacement alternator and installation for the backhoe. John Stratz questioned why he was not aware of this since he is on the public works committee.

Karen Flowers announced that the \$25.00 for the small game license renewal will be paid out of recreation board funds raised by the board.

Mike Sodano asked what type of game license the renewal fee is for. Karen Flowers said it is for small games of chance for the recreation board fund raising.

SECONDED BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO. All ayes, carried.

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

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

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

Engineer's Report –

The paving work has been completed for Phase 2 of the 2017 Road Reconstruction Project. Request for payment will take place at the next meeting after Sean Nagy receives the certified payroll documents.

Committee Reports

Recreation Board (Karen Flowers):

Resident Monica Mongillo reported wind damage to a dug out on Field 2. Rich Esher and Domenic Frasello are aware of the problem and will get back to Karen.

Finance & Administration (Gianpiero Lo Piccolo):

At the last budget meeting in October Gian distributed a mock budget to Council and reviewed revenues and expenditures for the general fund. At that time, there was a \$7,400 shortfall. There is more work to be done to eliminate the deficit. The next budget meeting will be held on November 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Community Development (Beverly Wolfe):

The dedication of the Frederick Dunkley Police Department was featured in an article of Borough News published by the PA Borough's Association. Copies are available if anyone would like a copy.

Beverly Wolfe is working with John Ives from BCPC on dates for the Revitalization Task Force to meet, possibly as early as December. She is also waiting on obtaining quotes on tree removal in Taddei Woods and will present information at a future meeting.

Community Relations (John Stratz/Barbara Heffelfinger):

Federally funded program LIHEAP, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program for 2017 to 2018 is accepting applications as of Wednesday, November 1, 2017. Cash grants of \$200 to \$1,000 are sent directly to the utility company to defray heating costs for eligible households and crisis benefits of \$25.00 to \$500.00 for households in immediate danger of being without heat. Contact the Bucks County Assistance Office Monday through Friday at 215-781-3393 or

toll free 1-800-616-6481 Monday through Friday 8-5. Income guidelines are \$18,090.00 for individuals and \$24,360.00 for couples. It goes up from there for each child in the family.

Two found items are on the desk in the back of the hall: a pair of women's sunglasses and an umbrella.

Maple Point Middle School is honoring veterans on November 9th at 11:00. This is an annual event for the school. Veterans in the area are invited to attend.

Public Comment

Michael Sodano, 324 W. Woodland Avenue, patch after reopening of Joyce Avenue

Patti Paul, 327 Walker Avenue, complaint about her newly installed fence, experience with zoning officer

Frank Flowers, 500 Hulmeville Avenue, his volunteer work for borough, negative remarks on Facebook

Bob Worthington, 461 Washington Avenue, misstatement in campaign literature about Taddei Woods property

Monica Mongillo, 732 Bellevue Avenue, status of sign installation and curb painting on John Dalola Avenue, needles were found, back corner slowly getting cleaned up, dove attacked by hawk in batting cage

Kirsten Houser, 555 Bellevue Avenue, found needles, plastic bags and used condoms at basketball courts

Amanda Mielich, 16 Oak Avenue, did not receive Mayor's letter sent to residents regarding their streets not being paved

Mike Smith, 127 DeHaven Avenue, Mayor responded to an anonymous letter

Dave Cahill, 462 Cynthia Avenue, Mayor approved to spend money on postage, volunteer groups, social media messages on Facebook, invoices on broken flower pots, Drug Take Back was held in borough hall not police department

Vince Carcel, 121 Joyce Avenue, Donna Caracappa, Borough Tax Collector, robo-calling on Saturday

MOTION BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:10 P.M.
SECONDED BY BEVERLY WOLFE. All ayes, carried.

Executive Session was held to discuss personnel procedures.

Submitted by:

Marie Serota, Secretary/Treasurer