

COUNCIL MEETING

June 1, 2015

Attendees: Arlene Harms, Council President; Beverly Wolfe, Vice President; Sean Weckerly
Barbara Heffelfinger, Kali Sodano, Gianpiero Lo Piccolo, Anne Marie Kinsey, Borough Council;
Bob Winkler, Mayor; Carol Schuehler, Borough Engineer; and Mike Savona, Solicitor.

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

MOTION BY SEAN WECKERLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 4, 2015 COUNCIL MEETING AND THE MAY 12, 2015 WORK SESSION. SECONDED BY KALI SODANO. All ayes, carried.

Announcements

The Activities Committee's Annual Town Wide Flea Market will be on Saturday June 6th from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Mayor's Community Day will also be on June 6th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Woodland Avenue will be closed between Bellevue Avenue and Fairview from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

There will be an executive session later on the agenda for personnel matters.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Winkler read his report, which is attached.

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

Committee Reports

Open Space (Kali Sodano):

Taddei Woods Clean Up was held on May 16th. The trail was in good shape. Trash was removed.

Community Relations (Kali Sodano):

Two press releases were put out on Facebook. One for the Taddei Woods Clean Up Day and the other for New America contract that was signed.

Community Development (Kali Sodano):

Lynn Bush from the Bucks County Planning Commission will be attending the June 29th work session to discuss the MEDI program.

Streets (Beverly Wolfe):

Pothole Killers repaired potholes in two days throughout the borough last month. Residents commented that they are happy with the results. They are working with the Grants Committee to apply for grant funding to do a street project. There have been complaints about street signs in town. Committee is evaluating the complaints and taking inventory of what we have currently for replacements. We should have more information next month on the plans to remedy that issue.

Sewer (Beverly Wolfe):

The fence at Station #2 was installed. All of the problems with the installation have been rectified.

Building & Maintenance (Anne Marie Kinsey):

Council contracted out lawn services for all borough properties last month to Ottinger Landscaping.

Insurance (Barbara Heffelfinger):

A meeting has been set up with Brown & Brown for June 15th to review quotes.

Community Development (Barbara Heffelfinger)

Two grant applications have been submitted for the Community Development Block Grant. One Kali and Barbara worked on and submitted. Barbara submitted a second application for funds for the new police building. Currently Carol Schuehler is helping the committee with another grant application and there is one other to be worked on.

Spring Valley Farm received a grant to develop a master plan for design of the property. Penndel is part of the plan.

Reading and Approval of Bills

MOTION BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO TO PAY THE FOLLOWING BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2015:

General Fund bills in the amount of **\$61,599.99**

Liquid Fuel Fund bill in the amount of **\$3,360.00**

Capital Reserve/Park & LeGrande Avenue bills in the amount of **\$2,860.00**

Capital Reserve/Recycle bills in the amount of **\$1,144.00**

Escrow Bills

McManus:

Eastburn & Gray PC \$2,345.00

Urwiler & Walter, Inc. \$ 362.50

Verrichia Co:

Urwiler & Walter, Inc. \$ 180.00

Robbins Avenue:

Urwiler & Walter, Inc. \$ 180.00

SECONDED BY SEAN WECKERLY. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO TO PAY THE FOLLOWING BILLS FOR THE MONTH MAY 2015:

Sewer Fund bills in the amount of **\$75,790.04**

SECONDED BY BEVERLY WOLFE. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO TO PAY THE FOLLOWING BILLS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2015:

Refuse Fund bills in the amount of **\$13,979.43**

SECONDED BY ANNE MARIE KINSEY. All ayes, carried.

Unfinished Business

Gianpiero Lo Piccolo asked the Mayor who is selling the police department shirts. The Mayor responded that the Penndel Benevolent Association is selling them and collecting proceeds from the sales.

New Business

MOTION BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO TO AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT OF ORDINANCE #2015-3, AMENDING CHAPTER 322, "SEWERS". SECONDED BY BEVERLY WOLFE. The ayes, carried.

MOTION BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO TO AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT OF ORDINANCE #2015-4, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH TO REPLACE CHAPTER 160, "CONTRACTORS". SECONDED BY ANNE MARIE KINSEY. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO TO APPROVE THE ESTIMATED CHARGE OF \$390.00 FOR AVAYA TO OVERSEE THE PHONE LINE INSTALLATION BY COMCAST. After discussion Gianpiero Lo Piccolo rescinded the motion.

MOTION BY BEVERLY WOLFE TO INSTALL A NEW CONTEGRA TRANSDUCER AT STATION #2 FOR \$2,617.00. SECONDED BY SEAN WECKERLY. All ayes, carried.

Public Comment

Jeff Mackay, borough employee, resigned as sewer operator/maintenance worker
Mike Smith, 127 DeHaven Avenue, force main damaged on Woodland Avenue, fence at Station #2
Jim Andersons, 482 Cynthia Avenue, are t-shirts for sale on website

MOTION BY BEVERLY WOLFE TO ACCEPT JEFF MACKAYS RESIGNATION FROM THE BOROUGH. SECONDED BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER. All ayes, carried.

At 8:02 p.m. Council went into executive session to discuss personnel matters.

At 8:25 p.m. the meeting concluded with the following:

MOTION BY BEVERLY WOLFE TO ACCEPT THE CONTRACT WITH PRIVATE UTILITY ENTERPRISES TO TAKE OVER OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF THE SEWER SYSTEM AT BOTH PUMPING STATIONS. SECONDED BY BARBARA HEFFELFINGER. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:27 p.m. SECONDED BY ANNE MARIE KINSEY. All ayes, carried.

Submitted by: _____
Marie Serota, Secretary/Treasurer