

## WORK SESSION

September 28, 2015

Attendees: Kali Sodano, Council President; Beverly Wolfe, Vice President; Sean Weckerly, Barbara Heffelfinger, Gianpiero Lo Piccolo, Anne Marie Kinsey, Arlene Harms, Borough Council; Bob Winkler, Mayor; and Michael Peters was here for Mike Savona.

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

### Announcements

There will be an executive session before adjournment to discuss personnel matters.

### Community Development

MOTION BY SEAN WECKERLY TO ACCEPT THE CONCEPT OF THE PLANS DRAWN BY KISE STRAW AND KOLODNER. SECONDED BY ANNE MARIE KINSEY. All ayes, carried.

### Finance & Administration

Gianpiero Lo Piccolo handed out a 17 page document that was reviewed by the Finance Committee, Borough Secretary and Consultant Bob Pellegrino at the committee meeting. This is the breakdown of overall budget numbers with more detail of the framework on projects. They have requested that all committees have all figures and proposals to the secretary by October 2<sup>nd</sup> and copied to Bob Pellegrino. There will be a budget work session on November 10<sup>th</sup> to review the budget and proposals with the secretary and Bob Pellegrino. The preliminary budget will be adopted on November 30<sup>th</sup> and the final budget will be adopted on December 15<sup>th</sup>.

Insurance rates for 2016 will be received in early November. Brown and Brown is looking into consolidating the life and health insurance policies so we only have one company. Our workers' compensation policy premiums should decrease around June of 2016.

Tower Point has offered to take over our cell tower at Station #1 by purchasing with one lump sum or possibly a 10-year or 20-year lease option. The borough would receive 50% of the income. Borough Solicitor will review the proposals.

### Emergency Management

Beverly Wolfe and Gianpiero Lo Piccolo met to discuss budget proposals for 2016 possibly for purchasing generators or battery back-ups for the traffic lights.

### Community Development

MOTION BY SEAN WECKERLY TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #2015-8 AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF BUCKS COUNTY FOR USE OF PASS-THROUGH GAMING FUNDS. SECONDED BY GIANPIERO LO PICCOLO. All ayes, carried.

### Public Works

MOTION BY SEAN WECKERLY TO COMBINE SEWER ACCOUNTS #5651 & #5652 AS RECOMMENDED BY BOROUGH CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. SECONDED BY BEVERLY WOLFE. All ayes, carried.

### Community Relations

Anne Marie Kinsey reported that there is a parking problem on Rumpf Avenue between Hulmeville Avenue and Fairview Avenue. She would like to see no parking on one side of the street or changing it to one way. The Mayor will instruct the Chief to look into this.

### Other Outstanding Issues

Kali Sodano asked for an update on work that has been done so far on the new police building. The Mayor and Chief are waiting for the heating system and insulation to be put in and wiring needs to be done. The Mayor is waiting on a response from PECO regarding gas service. Block on the outside of the building is completed. The interior lighting will be done when the duct work is installed. Arlene Harms wants to see the police moved to the new building quickly for the safety of our police officers, employees and citizens that are in the building during police business.

Bev Wolfe has some questions about the Park Avenue loan terms. Mike Savona will be able to explain the loan.

Arlene Harms said we have money in a savings account to purchase the shredder needed for the offices. Sharing with the police department is not feasible.

### Public Comment

**Lynda Roe, 391 Walker Avenue**, insurance coverage for volunteers working on police building

**Dave Cahill, 462 Cynthia Avenue**, loan funds, Rumpf Avenue water main break

**Mike Smith, 127 DeHaven Avenue**, Karen was at the carpet mill

**Sam Simon, 126 Holly Avenue**, water leaking from old school property on Center Street, traffic meeting with Penndot for Wawa property

**Rick Flanagan, 466 Walker Avenue**, inquired about police incident Arlene mentioned

### Executive Session

After the Executive Session, the following motions were made:

MOTION BY ANNE MARKE KINSEY TO HIRE SARAH VEGA AS A SUBSTITUTE CROSSING GUARD AS RECOMMENDED BY THE MAYOR. SECONDED BY SEAN WECKERLY. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY BEVERLY WOLFE TO HIRE SARAH VEGA AS A PART-TIME CLERK. SECONDED BY ARLENE HARMS. All ayes, carried.

MOTION BY BEVERLY WOLFE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. SECONDED BY ANNE MARIE KINSEY. All ayes, carried.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Marie Serota, Secretary/Treasurer