

BOROUGH OF YEADON
 DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
 BOROUGH COUNCIL
 SPECIAL MEETING
 AUGUST 3, 2012
 5:35 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

John Holden, Council President, called the special meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

John Holden, President	Present	
Denise Stinson, Vice President	Present	
Rosalind Johnson	Present	
Asher Kemp, Jr.	Absent	
Deborah Robinson-Howell	Present	
Gracie Snead	Present	
Nelva Wright	Present	<i>Arrived at 5:37 PM</i>
Dolores Jones-Butler, Mayor	Absent	

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Holden announced there was an Executive Session for the purpose of legal matters. prior to tonight's meeting.

CITIZEN'S FORUM, AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Learin Johnson – There was no cordiality and cohesiveness displayed by Council at last Council meeting while discussing towing services.

Fran Ferragina – family moved to Yeadon 56 years ago due to quiet. She is opposed to Evelyn Graves block party because of potential for noise and congestion. . She signed the block party petition just to get them off her patio.

Clara Johnson – read a petition to counteract the Evelyn Graves Church block party request from the 1100 Block of Whitby Avenue. August 11th 9 AM-6 PM

Terry McGirth – Criticized the decisions of Council, and accused Council of shady, dubious interactions that do not have community interests at heart.

President Holden asked for a motion on proposed block party

MOTION: DENY THE REQUEST OF EVELYN GRAVES MINISTRIES CHURCH BLOCK PARTY

Motioned By: Councilor Stinson

Seconded By: Councilor Snead

John Holden, President	Yes
Denise Stinson, Vice President	Yes
Rosalind Johnson	Yes
Asher Kemp, Jr.	
Deborah Robinson-Howell	Yes
Gracie Snead	Yes
Nelva Wright	Yes
Dolores Jones-Butler, Mayor	

MOTION: APPOINT MARCIA HINTON TO POSITION OF BOROUGH TREASURER

Motioned By: Councilor Wright
Seconded By: Councilor Robinson Howell

Councilor Johnson expressed unreadiness. Unclear that this was the direction of Council based on agenda documents. There has been no opportunity for an interview.

President Holden said this was in the job description for Administrative Officer. No additional salary for the Administrative Officer to take this position. Background check was done on Ms. Hinton. A third check signer is needed.

Councilor Snead read aloud Ms. Hinton's resume. Councilor Snead said her resume does not lean towards financial background.

Councilor Johnson asked where in the job description is the job duties for Treasurer. Councilor Wright said the Borough was struggling to attract a Treasurer due to salary constraints.

Councilor Johnson said at no time in Personnel or Finance Committee meetings was this discussed with placing the Treasurer's role in with the Administrative Officer. Councilor Johnson expressed concern that this arrangement has the Administrative Officer accepting payments at front desk and have the authority to sign checks and have oversight over finance. Councilor Wright said Treasurer Report is to be redesigned.

President Holden asked for a roll call vote.

John Holden, President	Yes
Denise Stinson, Vice President	Abstain
Rosalind Johnson	No
Asher Kemp, Jr.	
Deborah Robinson-Howell	Yes
Gracie Snead	No
Nelva Wright	Yes
Dolores Jones-Butler, Mayor	

Motion does not carry.

MOTION: APPOINT NEIL MORRIS AND ARCHER GREINER AS LABOR ATTORNEY FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Motioned By: Councilor Stinson
Seconded By: Councilor Wright

Councilor Johnson expressed concern that two proposals were to be reviewed and there has been no opportunity as a Council to discuss which firm best meets Borough's needs. Did not identify issues or fees.

John Holden, President	Yes
Denise Stinson, Vice President	Yes
Rosalind Johnson	No
Asher Kemp, Jr.	
Deborah Robinson-Howell	Yes
Gracie Snead	No
Nelva Wright	Yes
Dolores Jones-Butler, Mayor	

Motion passed 4:2.

MOTION: FILE EARLY INTERVENTION PROPOSAL APPLICATION WITH DCED

Motioned By: Councilor Snead
Seconded By: Councilor Wright

Funding from state to provide 75% of funding to hire a financial firm to do an analysis of Borough's financial status.

John Holden, President	Yes
Denise Stinson, Vice President	Yes
Rosalind Johnson	Yes
Asher Kemp, Jr.	
Deborah Robinson-Howell	Yes
Gracie Snead	Yes
Nelva Wright	Yes
Dolores Jones-Butler, Mayor	

Councilor Johnson expressed unreadiness. Councilor Snead asked for information on the negative experiences from the current towing service. President Holden stated all the information was in the packet presented for Councilors review.

MOTION TO TABLE APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH TOWING SERVICE COMPANY

Motioned By: Councilor Stinson
Seconded By: Councilor Snead

ADJOURNMENT

President Holden asked for a motion to adjourn at 6:25 PM.

Motioned By: Councilor Wright
Seconded By: Councilor Robinson-Howell
Respectfully Submitted,



Caren Andrews
Borough Manager/Secretary