

**BOROUGH OF YEADON
DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
BOROUGH COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
NOVEMBER 4, 2013 @ 7:40 PM**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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| Councilor Dotson | Present |
| Councilor Kemp | Present |
| Councilor Johnson | Present |
| Mayor Jones-Butler | Present |
| Councilor Robinson-Howell | Absent |
| Councilor Snead | Present |
| Vice President Wright | Present |
| President Stinson | Present |

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION – President Stinson

MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA

Motioned by: Councilor Johnson
Seconded by: Councilor Dotson
Voice vote with no opposition. Motion carries 6:0.

**MOTION TO AMEND TO AGENDA: HIRING OF PATRICK TRIO AND APPROVAL OF FOP YEADON
BOROUGH CONTRACT UNDER NEW BUSINESS**

Voice vote with no opposition. Motion carries 6:0.
Motioned by: Councilor Johnson
Seconded by: Councilor Snead

CITIZEN'S FORUM, AGENDA ITEMS ONLY –none

MAYOR'S REPORT –none

PRESIDENT'S REPORT President Stinson

Delaware County Association of Borough's is asking for Councilor's input for guest speakers & topics for coming year and requests that Councilors complete the survey. and DCAB quarterly meeting 11/18/13 at 7:30PM in Darby Borough. There will be a special presentation following meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS

DISCUSSION: ADVERTISING SPECIAL MEETING FOR ADOPTION OF COMCAST AGREEMENT

Borough Solicitor offered advertising for special meeting could be an agenda item for the November 21st Legislative meeting.

Discussion: Moving meeting date/time of next Legislative meeting to allow Councilors to attend Awards Dinner for Building One Pennsylvania. Councilor Kemp proffered video conferencing to allow Councilors to participate in meeting. Councilor Johnson sated that Council had not yet adopted any guidelines for video conferencing.

Councilor Kemp suggested flipping times of Executive session and Legislative Session. Councilor Snead questioned how a councilor can put a social event before their responsibilities as a Councilor. President Stinson weighed in, the November meeting is too important with too many issues to be addressed and that there needs to be a quorum for that meeting.

APPROVE ADVERTISING CODE OFFICER LEVEL I POSITION

Motioned by: Councilor Johnson

Seconded by: Vice President Wright

DISCUSSION: REPRESENTATION TO DARBY CREEK JOINT AUTHORITY

Mile Fields, current DCJA representative has attended only 4 of the 15 meetings and Delcora would like an update on our representation. Council must decide to replace Mr. Fields before his term expires in 2014 or replace him. M Councilor Johnson recommended posting the position on the borough website to garner interest in position. Councilor Dotson offered a name for consideration. Vice President Wright suggested assessing from Mr. Fields if he wanted to continue his term. President Stinson will call Mr. Fields.

DISCUSSION: REQUEST TO SUSPEND YEDC BANNER ON CHURCH LANE (IN FRONT OF BOROUGH HALL)

Councilor Dotson explained that YEDC has purchased materials to ensure the banner previously posted on Borough Hall lawn would not sag. He requested that it be put on the grounds to the right of the entrance to Borough Hall. There was discussion of aesthetics of banner and opening door to possibility of other Borough based organizations requesting the same consideration. Vice President Wright suggested that the Borough look into electronic signage as a more permanent solution for advertising Council meetings, Committee meetings and Borough organizations.

DISCUSSION: PLACEMENT OF TREES RECEIVED FROM PHILADELPHIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Philadelphia Horticultural Society donated 13 trees for Borough's use. With the change in season, the trees must be planted immediately or they will perish. Currently there are 5 Borough trees that need to be replaced Maple Terrace (Longacre & W. Cobbs Creek), Longacre Blvd and 25 Baily Road. Public works suggests planting the remaining trees in Community Park around the perimeter wall to block view of industrial building. Councilor Johnson suggested that trees be planted by benches in Tot Lot to allow people to have some respite from the sun in summer when in the park. She also suggested rethinking the Shade Tree Commission in FY 2014. Currently residents are being taxed \$15.00 per year for the establishment of a Shade Tree Commission to restore dead and diseased trees in the Borough.

MOTION TO CONSULT FORMER BOROUGH ARBORIST WILLIAM MELLIX RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PLANTING TREES

Motioned by: Councilor Johnson

Seconded by: councilor Dotson

Discussion: Solicitor asked if the arborist would charge and if so payment approval must be brought before Council. Councilor Dotson made an additional recommendation for venue- Graceland Cemetery.

Motion to amend- Councilor Kemp

MOTION TO CONSULT FORMER BOROUGH ARBORIST WILLIAM MELLIX WITH THE TREES AND MOVE FORWARD BASED ON HIS RECOMMENDATIONS

Motioned by: Vice President Wright

Seconded by: Councilor Johnson

Voice vote with no opposition. Motion carries 6:0.

Discussion: Service to emergency generator. Generator has not been serviced since its installation 6 years ago. Councilor Dotson inquired about warranty. Council needs pricing info before they make a decision.

Discussion: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application FY 2014. Councilor Johnson suggests an ad hoc committee of 3 Councilors come up with recommendations for projects to present to Council. Possible projects: street repairs, common driveway repairs in those census tract areas identified as low income in the 2010 census. Councilor Dotson asked that members of the public as well as the Borough Engineer be invited into the process. Councilors Dotson, Johnson & Snead agreed to be on the ad hoc committee.

MOTION TO APPROVE TENTATIVE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH DELAWARE COUNTY FOP LODGE 27 YEADON BOROUGH UPON APPROVAL OF THE SOLICITOR

Motioned by: Councilor Johnson

Seconded by: Councilor Dotson

Voice vote with no opposition. Motion carries 6:0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF PATRICK TRIO TO CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER LEVEL II AT THE RATE OF \$17.00 PER HOUR.

Motioned by: Councilor Johnson

Seconded by: Councilor Dotson

Voice vote with no opposition. Motion carries 6:0.

OLD BUSINESS

FINALIZING NEW PRICING SCHEDULE FOR AUDITORIUM RENTAL

Discussion

Councilor Johnson suggested that “wish list” items be removed and be included in FY 2014 budget consideration. The final schedule will be voted on at the November 21st legislative meeting. Councilor Dotson inquired why only organizations with a 501 c 3 status gets the rental free and other community organizations must pay.

CITIZEN'S FORUM

Sharon Council- *Yeadon Library Board*

Offered clarification with regards to selection of library director and was perplexed as to why the approval was taken off the Workshop agenda. On October 23rd's budget meeting they were asked to come to tonight's meeting for the confirmation of selection. She would like to request a written clarification form the Solicitor' office on Library bylaws which she presented to the Solicitor.

Solicitor reviewed offered that recommendations come from the Library Board but need to be approved by Council and will provide written response.

Motion to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:55PM

Respectfully submitted,



Marcia Hinton
Borough Secretary