

**MINUTES OF YEADON  
DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
MINUTES OF BOROUGH COUNCIL  
LEGISLATIVE MEETING  
FEBRUARY 19, 2015 @ 7:30 P.M.**

The Yeadon Borough Council met at Yeadon Borough Hall on the above date. President Sharon Council-Harris called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**2. ROLL CALL**

The following members were present: Councilors Clara Johnson, Learin Johnson, Dolores McCabe, President Sharon Council-Harris and Vice President Nelva Wright participated via telephone as a quorum was present. Absent were Councilors Rosalind Jones-Johnson and Gracie Snead. Also attending were Mayor Rohan Hepkins, Manager/Secretary Larry Healy, Finance Director Joseph Possenti, Jr., Solicitor Raymond Santarelli, Engineer Eileen Mulvena, and Police Chief Donald Molineux.

**3. CITIZEN'S FORUM – Agenda Items**

Miles Fields – *Yeadon Avenue* – talked about the Yeadon Economic Development Corporation. As President he looks forward to a productive year with a mission to make Yeadon a great place in which to live, work and do business. The Y.E.D.C. meets the third Tuesday of the month. Projects include a Gateway Project, Community Awards Ceremony and Small Business Saturday. Members are Vice President Isaac Dotson, Earl Boyd, Cheryl Maddox, Keith Williams Homer Marion, Larry Healy and Learin Johnson.

Charles Wilkins – *West Cobbs Creek Parkway* – Talked about previous discussion concerning animal control and announced that on March 21 the Pennsylvania Gaming Commission will conduct hunting and trapping certification at the Yeadon Library from 9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Also he is meeting with Borough Veterans and asked if they can meet at Borough Hall. Domino's Pizza will donate pizzas. He inquired about the property at 1024 Church Lane. Larry Healy said it is privately owned and is up for sale. He suggested a Garden Project at the Theater property. Also he suggested locating boys and girls club clothing bins, in the Borough as a fund raising tool to earn \$50.00 per collection. Mayor Hepkins wanted more details on animal control. Chief Molineux said Delco Animal Control charges \$35.00 per call. Charles Wilkins said he is licensed to deal with animals on his property. Traps cost \$9.99 and the certification class teaches what to do with them. Councilwoman Learin Johnson asked Charles Wilkins to head the Veterans Group.

Richard Ashby – *Yeadon Library Director* – said there is a High Tea on February 21 at 5:00 P.M., the Embroidery Club meets on Wednesdays, on May 30 there is a Read A Thon Fundraiser from 8 P.M. to 8 A.M. and on March 11, Dr. McCabe will donate her late husband, Wilbert McCabe's collection of African American books. He asked if the Borough can supply a car and driver to deliver books to shut-ins.

#### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**4.1** Motion to Approve January 15, 2015 Minutes made by Councilor McCabe, second: Councilwoman L. Johnson. Motion approved 5-0.

**4.2** Motion to Approve January 26, 2015 Minutes made by Councilwoman L. Johnson, second: Vice President Nelva Wright. Motion approved 4-1. Voting yes: Councilors L. Johnson, D. McCabe, Vice President Wright and President Council-Harris. Voting no: Councilor Clara Johnson.

Councilor C. Johnson said that she had asked for more information on Mary Nixon's salary at the meeting and believes that should be included in the minutes. Solicitor Santarelli said that minutes are not verbatim but a summary of what was talked about and a record of actions taken. The minutes reflect her questions but should not have a later document included.

**4.3** Motion to Approve February 12, 2015 Minutes made by Councilwoman L. Johnson, second: Councilor McCabe.

#### **5. MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Hepkins announced a "Do It Different" event on Saturday, February 21 from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Paul Williams of Parmley Avenue said it is a food and clothing drive with collections going to shelters. Mayor Hepkins also announced his next Forum is on Thursday, March 5 at 7:00 P.M.

**5.2** Motion to Purchase two Ford Police Interceptor utility all-wheel drive vehicles at a total cost of \$59,395.00 made by Councilor McCabe, second: Councilwoman L. Johnson. Motion approved 5-0.

Councilor C. Johnson asked if the Budget allowed for one car in 2015 and one in 2016. President Council-Harris said the Budget includes two cars.

**5.1** Motion to Notify the Civil Service Commission to Advertise and Administer Tests for Patrolman made by Councilor McCabe, second: Vice President Wright. Motion approved 5-0.

Motion to Hire William McQueen as an Alternate Crossing Guard at the Rate \$11.50 per hour made by Councilor McCabe, second: Councilor C. Johnson. Motion approved 5-0.

Chief Molineux said there are two old dormant police accounts and he suggested that the accounts be closed.

Motion to Close the Dare Account at Santander Bank with \$6545.52 and the Confiscated Funds Account at Beneficial with \$4,231.29 and To Move Those Funds to the General Fund made by Councilwoman L. Johnson, second: Councilor McCabe. Motion approved 5-0.

**6.** President Council-Harris said to hold off the President's Report until later in the meeting.

#### **7. ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Eileen Mulvena asked for a Motion to Approve County Aid Application.

**7.1** Motion to Approve Resolution 2015-3 County Aid Application made by Councilor McCabe, second: Councilwoman L. Johnson. Motion approved 5-0.

**7.2** Motion to Authorize Advertising for a New Recycling Contract made by Councilwoman L. Johnson, second: Councilor C. Johnson. Motion approved 5-0.

Engineer Mulvena spoke about MS-4 reporting and Storm Water Management. Councilwoman L. Johnson asked about repairs to Rundale Avenue. Engineer Mulvena said like last year all streets are looked at and Council prioritizes repairs. Councilor McCabe asked that speeding on bridge into Yeadon at Cobbs Creek be investigated.

## **8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

**8.1** Motion to Advertise an Ordinance Establishing a Historical Commission made by Councilwoman L. Johnson, second: Councilor McCabe. Motion approved 5-0.

Mr. Healy informed Council that Kelli Cave has contacted him and is actively working to revive the Historical Task Force. Solicitor Santarelli said he would review and revise the sample ordinance.

**8.2** Councilwoman L. Johnson has asked for authorization to purchase uniforms for the Cheerleaders, Color Guard. There are forty-one children participating and also asked for funds for transportation to competitions. Uniforms should cost around \$936.00. Motion made by Councilor McCabe, second: Vice President Wright. Councilor C. Johnson asked if parents are contributing. Councilwoman L. Johnson said they are paying some costs. Councilor McCabe amended the Motion to include transportation no to exceed \$1,100.00. Motion approved 4-1. Voting yes: Councilors L. Johnson, McCabe, Vice President Wright and President Council-Harris. Voting no: Councilor C. Johnson.

**8.3** July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks – Councilwoman L. Johnson said members of the Community have asked for July 4th events. Fireworks had been discussed at the Caucus Meeting. Cost for Flag Day is \$4,400.00 and for July 4<sup>th</sup> is \$8,800.00 Councilor McCabe pointed out that Flag Day cost is less expensive. Mayor Hepkins said Yeadon Flag Day is Yeadon's event. Miles Fields liked the July 4<sup>th</sup> activity. Charles Wilkins noted Independence Day pre-dates Flag Day. Donna Samuels said people in Yeadon look forward to Flag Day fireworks.

Motion to enter into a Contract for June 13 Flag Day Fireworks at Cost of \$4,400.00 made by Councilwoman L. Johnson, second: Councilor McCabe. Motion approved 5-0.

Vice President Wright said her phone was dying and she would need to sign off. President Council-Harris asked for a Motion to Approve Accounts Payable List.

Motion To Approve Accounts Payable List made by Councilwoman L. Johnson, second: Councilor McCabe. Motion approved 5-0.

Councilor C. Johnson questioned line item 409.250 charges at Home Depot. Mr. Healy explained Public Works has Home Depot Credit Cards and had used the card to rent and buy supplies to clean the carpets in Borough Hall. Vice President Wright signed off at 9:35 P.M.

**8.5** Solicitor Santarelli had prepared a Resolution to name Republic Bank as the depository of Yeadon's Funds with the exception of the Lockbox Account which would remain with Beneficial.

Motion to Adopt Resolution 2015-4 by Councilwoman L. Johnson, second: Councilor C. Johnson. Councilor C. Johnson asked if signatories to accounts are bonded. Manager Healy said yes. Councilor McCabe has concerns that Republic may have reorganized and asked Solicitor Santarelli to research its history.

Motion to Table Previous Motion made by Councilor McCabe, second: Councilor C. Johnson. Motion approved 4-0.

**8.4** Mr. Healy asked that Council appoint a 2014 Auditor.

Motion to Appoint Clifton Larson Allen to perform the 2014 Audit made by Councilor McCabe, second: Councilor C. Johnson. Motion approved 4-0.

## **6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Council-Harris said that a lot had been accomplished in the previous year including a Budget with no tax or fee increases and looked forward to working together in 2015 to things done for residents, including redevelopment authority and YMCA. (Councilor C. Johnson left at 9:57 P.M. so there was no longer a quorum present).

## **9. FINANCE REPORT**

Finance Director Possenti read the Cash Balance Report.

## **10. TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT WAS SUBMITTED**

## **11. NO SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

## **12. NEW BUSINESS**

Councilwoman L. Johnson announced upcoming Library Events. Donna Samuel mentioned the High Tea.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilor McCabe moved to Adjourn at 10:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence Healy  
Borough Secretary

