

**BOROUGH OF YEADON**  
**DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**  
**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JULY 21, 2016**

The Borough of Yeadon Legislative Meeting was called at 7:33PM by Council President Sharon Council-Harris.

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council President Sharon Council-Harris led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmember's: Renita Austin, Sharon Harris (President), Clara Johnson, Learin Johnson, Dr. Dolores McCabe (Vice-President), LaToya Monroe.

Present via telephonic Communication: Tomeka Jones-Waters

Mayor: Rohan Hepkins

Engineer: Eileen Mulvena

Solicitor: Charles Gibbs

**3. AWARD AND RECOGNITION CEREMONY**

- Council President Sharon Council-Harris recognized Agnes Mansary & Sekou Kanneh for their 2016 Delaware County Track Athlete(s) of the year honors.  
Councilor Learin Johnson recognized Mrs. Antoinette Truehart, Mr. James Turner, Mr. Ricardo Bostic, & Mr. Roy Hunter for their hard work and contributions towards Flag Day.

#### 4. CITIZEN'S FORUM

- Ms. Liana Roadcloud – Asked if Mt. Moriah Cemetery was privately owned, then why is the Borough investing money to fix it up? She also asked about money & material that was allotted to town watch.

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **Motion to Approve May 12<sup>th</sup> Minutes Caucus Workshop**, was moved by Councilor Dr. Delores McCabe and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 4-1, Voting No: Councilor Clara Johnson. Councilor Latoya Monroe abstained, stating that the minutes are out of order, and that she received them late, and didn't have the proper time to review. Councilor Learin Johnson abstained, stating that she wasn't present for the May 12<sup>th</sup> Caucus Workshop Meeting.
- **Motion to approve May 19<sup>th</sup> Minutes Legislative Meeting**, was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 5-0. Councilor Clara Johnson abstained, stating that she received the minutes late and didn't have the proper time to review. Councilor Latoya Monroe abstained, stating that the minutes are out of order, and that she received them late, and they contained spelling and grammatical errors.
- **Motion to Approve June 9<sup>th</sup> Minutes Caucus Workshop**, was moved by Councilor Dr. Dolores McCabe. No second, the Motion Failed.

- **Motion to Approve June 16<sup>th</sup> Minutes Legislative Meeting**, was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Councilor Dr. Delores McCabe. Motion passed 5-0. Councilor Clara Johnson abstained (same abstention as above), stating that she received the minutes late and didn't have the proper time to review. Councilor Latoya Monroe abstained (same abstention as above), stating that the minutes are out of order, and that she received them late, and they contained spelling and grammatical errors.

## 6. MAYOR'S REPORT

- Mayor Hepkins discussed the Septa Regional Rail delays, and urged residents to use alternative routes & options. He also mentioned the Anti-Crime Camera Initiative, and hopes to see camera's installed by the fall of 2016. Mayor Hepkins then talked about his Anti-Littering, Dumping, & Blight Campaign. He states that all Borough departments have increased their attention to combat these issues. Adding new trash receptacles and installing additional Anti-Littering & Dumping signs, has already began. Mayor Hepkins also discussed the shooting on Angora Ave, he then introduced Police Chief Molineux to give an update.
- Chief Molineux gave a summary of events leading to the shooting on the twelve hundred block of Angora Ave. He stated that 2 young women were involved in a social media dispute, and was physically assaulted. Minutes later, someone began firing several rounds from a 40 caliber hand gun. Detectives are aggressively investigating this case.
- Mayor Hepkins, along with Vice President Dr. McCabe, announced a Public Safety Meeting on Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00AM.

## 7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Council President thanked Businesses who supported Flag Day. She hopes that the Borough could continue to build relationships with these businesses. She also thanked Mr. Garry Core, for his efforts for organizing the Consumer & Business Solutions Expo. Council President Harris discussed the shooting on Angora Ave, and thanked Mayor Hepkins for coming out to the Special Call Meeting. She also encouraged residents to attend Caucus Meetings to have a dialogue.

## 8. ENGINEER'S REPORT

- **Motion to Authorize the Storm Sewer Contractor to Repair/Replace the following: Inlet and Storm Manhole at Myra/Cypress and the Inlet at MacDade/Cedar,** was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 6-0. A vote isn't recorded for Councilor Tomeka Jones-Waters (Telephonic Communication Problems).
- **Motion to Authorize a Change Order to the Library Carpet Replacement for 7 Additional Boxes of Carpet Tiles in the Amount of \$998.01,** was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 4-1. Voting No: Councilor Clara Johnson. Councilor Latoya Monroe abstained, stating that she isn't sure if the tiles are going to be inventoried. A vote isn't recorded for Councilor Tomeka Jones-Waters (Telephonic Communication Problems).
- **Motion to Award the Contractor for the Reconstruction of the Driveway of Mt. Moriah Cemetery, Yeadon side, to Charlestown Paving and to Accept Unit Pricing provided in Lots 1 & 2 at a price not to exceed \$19,400.00,** was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 4-2. Voting No: Councilor Clara Johnson and Councilor Latoya Monroe.

- **Motion to Amend Resolution 16-007 changing the Grant Request from \$100,000 to \$115,000 for the Blunston Run Project**, was moved by Councilor Learn Johnson and seconded by Councilor Dr. Delores McCabe. Motion passed unanimously 7-0.
- **Monthly Storm Water Tip: (SEE REPORT)**

## 9. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

- Borough Manager, Majovie (Joe) Bland discussed the hiring of 5 summer youth employees, and 1 seasonal employee. He also mentioned that 1 Gateway sign has been installed, with others to go up upon the arrival of the break-away posts order.

## 10. TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

- Finance Director, Mr. Joseph Possenti, read the tax report.

Bank Reconciliation for June 2016:

- Total Deposits Republic Bank: \$86,455.58
- Tax Collectors Report: \$85,832.81 Difference: \$622.77
- Interest: \$713.49

## 11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### a. Finance

- **Motion to Approve Cash Balance Report**, was moved by Councilor Learn Johnson and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 4-2. Councilor Clara Johnson abstained, stating that she didn't have the proper time to review. Councilor Latoya Monroe abstained, stating that she didn't have proper time to

review. A vote isn't recorded for Councilor Tomeka Jones-Waters (Telephonic Communication Problems).

- **Motion to Approve Accounts Payable List**, was moved by Councilor Dr. Delores McCabe, and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Voting Yes: Councilor Renita Austin, Councilor Dr. Delores McCabe, Council President Sharon Council-Harris. Councilor's Clara Johnson, Learin Johnson & Latoya Monroe, abstained: all stating that they didn't have the proper time to review. Councilor Tomeka Jones-Waters is no longer present during the remainder of the meeting (Telephonic Communication Problems). The Motion ties 3-3.
- Mayor Hepkins consulted with solicitor Mr. Charles Gibbs, and decided to table the motion and call a special meeting within 5-10 days.
- **Motion to Approve Accounts Payable List**, was tabled by Mayor Hepkins.

**b. Public Safety - Councilor Dr. Delores McCabe, Chair**

- Councilor Dr. Delores McCabe introduced Police Chief, Don Molineux to read his report. For the Month of June 2016, there were 965 Calls for Service, 32 Criminal Arrests, 127 Motor Vehicle Violations issued, and 798 Parking Violations issued. Total Revenue Collected for the month of June was \$11,092.41.
- **Motion to Approve the Purchase of Protective Police Equipment, not to exceed \$3,600**, was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson, and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 4-0. A vote isn't recorded for Councilor Clara Johnson or Councilor Latoya Monroe.

- **Motion to Approve Payroll Salaries**, was moved by Councilor Dr. Delores McCabe, and seconded by Councilor Learin Johnson. Motion passed 4-1. Vote No: Councilor Clara Johnson. . Councilor Latoya Monroe abstained, stating that she didn't have proper time to review

**c. Ordinance/Zoning - Councilor Tomeka Jones – Waters, Chair**

- Code Department Director, Mr. Judson Sumbler read his report. The report included 3 Handicap Applications: 512 Laurel Road, 1026 Serrill Ave, 821 Arbor Road. Approved Zoning for a new deck at 665 Fern Street, and a Pending Zoning application at 607 Cedar Ave. Mr. Sumbler also discussed the trash issues throughout the Borough.

**d. Municipal Services - Councilor Clara Johnson, Chair**

- Councilor Clara Johnson read her report. She asked if any state or federal funds have been received by the Borough. She also asked about Shade Tree Commission Funding. Councilor Johnson mentioned that sanitary sewers and storm inlets are being cleaned throughout the Borough. Public Works continues the daily cleaning of parking lots and Yeadon Community Park.
- **Motion to Accept the Public Works Committee Report**, was moved by Councilor Latoya Monroe and seconded by Councilor Dr. Delores McCabe. Motion passed 5-1. Voting No: Councilor Learin Johnson.

**e. Community Relations - Councilor Learin Johnson, Chair**

- Councilor Learin Johnson reported on the Consumer & Business Solutions Expo, that was held on Saturday, July 16, 2016. She stated that the event was a success.

She also mentioned the need for Block Captains, and urged individuals who were interested to contact Police Chief, Don Molineux.

**f. Education Liaison - Councilor Renita Austin, Chair**

- Councilor Renita Austin reports a school tax increase of 1.5%.

**12. SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

- **Motion to Advertise Special Meeting (TBD)**, was moved by Councilor Learn Johnson and seconded by Councilor Latoya Monroe. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.
- **Motion to Authorize the Advertisement of Parking Rate Increases**, was moved by Councilor Latoya Monroe and seconded by Councilor Clara Johnson. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.

**13. NEW BUSINESS**

No New Business to Record

**14. OLD BUSINESS**

No Old Business to Record

**15. CITIZEN'S FORUM**

Remarks From:

- Mr. Charles Wilkins: Newsletters, Mr. Moriah Cemetery, Trash Collection and Block Captain
- Ms. Deanna Miller: Minutes (meeting), Town Watch, Camera's, Website (Update)
- Mrs. Denise Christmas: Mt. Moriah Cemetery Liability, Rundale Ave Repairs

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion to adjourn** was made by Councilor Dr. Delores McCabe, the meeting adjourned at 10:32pm.