

BOROUGH OF YEADON
DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2016

The Borough of Yeadon Legislative Meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM 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 Council-Harris (President), Clara Johnson, Learin Johnson, Tomeka Jones-Waters.

Present: Via Telephonic Communication – Dr. Delores McCabe (Vice President)

Mayor: Rohan Hepkins

Engineer: Eileen Mulvena

Solicitor: Lacy Wheeler

3. CITIZEN'S FORUM (Agenda Items Only)

- Ms. Liana Roadcloud – Discussed automobile break-ins, re-establishing the recreation board, and sidewalk issues.
- Ms. Dianna Miller – Discussed town watch & block captains programs.
- Mr. Anthony Carey – Discussed road conditions on the 100 block of Providence Road.
- Mr. Ken Scott – Discussed road conditions on the 100 block of Providence Road.

- Mr. Lafenus Johnson – Discussed speeding & road conditions on the 100 block of Providence Road.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Approve the Caucus Workshop Minutes dated June 9, 2016 was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Councilor Tomeka Jones-Waters. Motion passed 5-1. Voting No: Councilor Clara Johnson.

Motion to Approve the Legislative Minutes dated July 21, 2016 was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 5-1. Voting No: Councilor Clara Johnson.

Motion to Approve the Special Meeting Minutes regarding the AP List, dated July 28, 2016 was moved by Councilor Tomeka Jones-Waters and seconded by Councilor Learin Johnson. Motion passed 5-1. Voting No: Councilor Clara Johnson.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

New Police Officer Philip Berry, was sworn in by Mayor Hepkins. The Mayor also mentioned the SEPTA bus accident that occurred on Sunday, July 24, 2016 on Lansdowne Ave. near Providence Rd. He stated that "it was fortunate that no one was seriously hurt". Mayor Hepkins also discussed the Police Departments "Night Out" event that was held on Tuesday, August 2, 2016. Residents toured the Police Department and received giveaways & crime prevention advice.

Police Chief Donald Molineux was introduced and read his report, which included: 946 calls for service, 89 arrest, and \$9,877.70 in total revenue collected for the month of July. Chief Molineux also discussed automobile thefts & break-ins. He urged residents to lock their cars and to report suspicious activity.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Council President Harris, reported on her meeting with Bryn Mawr Bank. She discussed the Community Reinvestment Act, which is a Federal Government Program that partners

with banks in assisting first time home buyers in acquiring low interest home loans. She introduced Mr. Mark Possenti, Darby Borough Manager to explain the program. President Harris also discussed a pilot program involving common driveway paving that Mr. Possenti implemented in Darby Borough.

7. ENGINEER'S REPORT

Motion to Approve Resolution 2016-008, requesting a PA Small Water & Sewer grant of \$425,000 was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Councilor Tomeka Jones-Waters. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.

Motion to Authorize the Engineer to prepare the application for the PA Small Water & Sewer Grant for the Maximum Grant Funding of \$500,000, was moved by Councilor Clara Johnson and seconded by Councilor Tomeka Jones-Waters. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.

Motion to Authorize Replacement of Inlets at 834 Laurel Road and 1245 Whitby Ave, was moved by Councilor Clara Johnson and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.

Motion to Authorize Engineer to Prepare Pennvest Application for \$8 Million Dollars, was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Councilor Tomeka Jones-Waters. Motion passed 5-0. Councilor Clara Johnson abstained, stating that she needs true clarification & better understanding.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Motion to Approve 2016 Salt Bid Contract, was moved by Councilor Clara Johnson and seconded by Councilor Learin Johnson. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.

Motion to Table Elevator Repair, was moved by Councilor Clara Johnson, no seconded. Motion Failed.

Motion to Approve Elevator Repair in the Amount of \$13,212.00, was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 5-1
Voting No: Councilor Clara Johnson.

Note: Councilor Clara Johnson left the meeting at 9:35 PM.

Motion to Approve Block Party Application, was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 4-0. Councilor Dr. McCabe, Vice President abstained.

Motion to Approve a Donation in the Amount of \$500 to Assists in Back to School Book Bag & Supply Give-A-Ways, was moved by Councilor Tomeka Jones-Waters, no second. Motion failed.

9. TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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

Total Cash Collected for July 2016: \$25,777.94

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Finance

Motion to Approve Cash Balances Report, was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion to Approve Accounts Payable List, was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 5-0.

b. Public Safety – Councilor Dr. D. McCabe, Vice President, Chair - No Report

Note: Vice President Dr. McCabe left the meeting at 10:05 PM

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

Councilor Jones-Waters reported a sewer line back up in the Revere Crossing Apartment Complex. The sewer line back up occurred in buildings 827 & 829. Code Department Revenue for July, 2016 is \$18,342.32.

Motion to Revoke Handicap Parking Sign at 1053 Serrill Ave, was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Renita Austin. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion to Revoke Handicap Parking Sign at 872 Rundale Ave, was moved by Councilor Tomeka Jones-Waters and seconded by Councilor Learin Johnson. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion to Approve Handicap Parking Permit at 1019 Duncan Ave, was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded by Renita Austin. Motion passed 5-0.

d. Municipal Services – Councilor Clara Johnson, Chair

(Report Read by Borough Manager, Majovie (Joe) Bland)

Mr. Bland reported that the Public Works Department will continue to cut grass plots. Sanitary and storm sewer lines continue to be cleaned throughout the Borough. School cross walks and other traffic markings are being painted. Street & traffic lights are being replaced, and twice a week trash pickup will end on Friday, September 2, 2016.

e. Community Relations – Councilor Learin Johnson, Chair

Councilor Learin Johnson reported that welcome packets and calendars for new residents are a work in progress. She also discussed Phases 1 & 2 of the Gateway Project, and mentioned that 16 signs have been installed. Councilor Learin Johnson talked about the seniors in the community needing more activities. Line dancing was mentioned.

Motion to Approve Mr. Garry Core to provide Website Maintenance, was moved by Councilor Learin Johnson and seconded Councilor Renita Austin. Motion passed 4-0.

11. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Lacy Wheeler sat-in for Mr. Charles Gibbs - No Report

12. NEW BUSINESS

No New Business to Record

13. OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business to Record

14. CITIZEN'S FORUM

Remarks From:

- Ms. Denise Christmas – Comments towards Mr. Lacy Wheeler.
- Ms. Deanna Miller – Read a letter from a Yeadon Borough Hall Renter.
- Mrs. Franklin - Rented the Hall, and has issues and concerns.
- Dr. Caroline Harris – RDA's functions and responsibility.
- Ms. Lorraine Wickersham – Trees falling from cemetery onto her property.
- Mr. Ronald McPhail – Dumpster and roof issues and concerns with adjacent property.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn was made by Councilor Learin Johnson, the meeting adjourned at 11:02 PM.

