



BOROUGH OF YEADON  
DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES  
May 21, 2020

Meeting began at 7:06 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Rohan K. Hepkins, Mayor	Present
LaToya Monroe, President	Present
Ronald Francis, Vice President	Present
Clara Johnson	Present (Brief Technical Difficulties)
Rafi Cave	Present
Dolores McCabe	Present
Tomeka (Taliah) Jones-Waters	Present
Liana Roadcloud	Present
Mironda Presswood, Manager	Present
Charles Gibbs, Solicitor	Present
Nafis Nichols, Finance Director	Present

II. CITIZENS FORUM

1. None.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion to approve the April 16, 2020 Legislative Meeting Minutes.

Moved By: Vice President Francis

Seconded By: Councilor Cave

Unanimous

\*Only six councilors voted because Councilor Johnson had brief technical difficulties and was not on the call at this time.

IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. President Monroe reported that polling places have been updated due to Grace Court being closed to the public. All polling places have been consolidated to the schools. The flyer with this information can be found on the website. The polling will be held at Penn Wood High School - Cypress Street Campus, Bell Avenue Elementary, and Evans Elementary schools.

\*Councilor Johnson was able to join the call at 7:09 p.m.

2. President Monroe reported further that the Black Doctors Consortium offered to come to Yeadon for COVID -19 testing. Residents with symptoms and/or potential exposure to the coronavirus can be tested. President Monroe asked Chief Paparo to go over security and safety guidelines for this event.

Chief Paparo discussed how the event would be run on Saturday and explained the logistics and safety measures being taken. He mentioned that there will be scattered rain.

President Monroe noted that the County mentioned conducting mobile testing in Yeadon as well. She concluded that the cost for the Black Doctors testing is \$25,000 which can be reimbursed through the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA).

## V. COMMITTEE REPORT

### A. Finance, Councilor Cave

1. Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List.  
Moved By: Councilor Johnson  
Seconded By: Vice President Francis  
Unanimous
2. Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.  
Moved By: Vice President Francis  
Seconded By: Councilor Johnson  
Unanimous
3. Motion to approve COVID-19 testing performed by the Black Doctors Consortium in the amount of \$25,000.  
Moved By: Vice President Francis  
Seconded By: Councilor Johnson

President Monroe noted that the cost is a significant reduction as it would normally cost approximately \$40,000 for a Borough this size. However, due to the need and issues in this community the fee was reduced. She further noted that the doctors are volunteering their time.

Discussion occurred between Council. Several questions were asked about the cost, type of testing, advertising, registration, who is eligible to receive the test, what type of identification would be acceptable, and PEMA reimbursement. The Councilors were informed that the fee covered the cost of the kits and that the cost should be reimbursed by PEMA, there would be a nasal swab test, advanced registration would not be necessary, negative results would be mailed, participants would be screened by the police department and complete registration forms, any Yeadon resident would be able to receive the test.

It was requested that the motion be amended to include testing for first responders that are employed by the Borough.

Moved By: Councilor Johnson  
Seconded By: Vice President Francis

It was then requested that essential personnel also be included in the testing. There was discussion that these individuals and others would receive alternate

dates and locations, such as Rite-Aid. It was confirmed that more than one form of identification would be accepted.

Mr. Nichols stated that he spoke to PEMA directly and was informed that as long as the event consisted of at least 75% of Yeadon residents, then it was considered reimbursable. Mr. Nichols was asked about fundraising and whether Chester's testing event was fully sponsored. He replied that Chester was able to have their event fully paid for through three sponsors and that fundraising could be performed in Yeadon.

\*Due to the time constraint on the Borough Zoom account the meeting was concluded and reconvened on the Solicitor's account. The meeting ID information was announced several times before the meeting ended.

Meeting ended at 7:35 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 7:38 p.m.

## V. COMMITTEE REPORT (cont'd.)

### A. Finance, Councilor Cave

Brief discussion continued regarding details of the Black Doctor's Consortium such as budgeting and testing non-resident first responders. President Monroe noted that although \$25,000 was not budgeted for this event, the Flag Day event budget covers this since it is no longer being used.

4. Motion to amend the COVID-19 testing performed by the Black Doctors Consortium in the amount of \$25, 000, including the testing of Yeadon first responders who are non-residents.  
Moved By: Councilor Johnson  
Seconded By: Vice President Francis  
Motion Passed: 6-1, Councilor Roadcloud opposed.
5. Motion to approve entering into an Agreement with NJN & Associates, LLC to serve as the Borough Management and Financial Services Consultant.  
Moved By: Vice President Francis  
Seconded By: Councilor Johnson  
Motion Passed: 6-1, Roadcloud opposed.

President Monroe asked the Solicitor to comment on this matter. He stated that he reviewed the contract and approves as to the legality and form, the firm would be performing essential services to the Borough, and it protects the Borough if there is a breach.

Discussion occurred between Council regarding the contract. There was a question about the receipt of a proposal versus a contract, and who received

which document and when. The recipients of the proposal and date of the email were verified (the Mayor, Council, and Solicitor were all on the same email, sent by Mr. Nichols). The Solicitor clarified that a proposal is distributed to Council, once Council approves it, he drafts and executes the contract. The consensus amongst the majority of Councilor was that the contract mirrored the last one and there were no changes from the previous one. It was requested that Councilor Roadcloud receive a copy of the old contract, and the Solicitor stated he would send everyone a copy.

6. There was additional commentary on the residency issue regarding testing.

## VI. ADJOURNMENT

1. Motion to adjourn.  
Moved By: Councilor Cave  
Seconded By: Vice President Francis

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Management