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BOROUGH OF YEADON
DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
BOROUGH COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
JULY 6, 2023

Meeting began.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

Rohan K. Hepkins, Mayor	Present
Sharon Council-Harris, President	Present
Learin Johnson, Vice President	Present
Nicole Beaty	Present
Carlette Brooks	Present
Tomeka (Taliah) Jones-Waters	Present
LaToya Monroe	Present
Liana Roadcloud	Present
Isaac Dotson, Manager	Present
Chris Boggs, Solicitor	Present
Yolonda Hughes, Tax Collector	Absent
Joseph Viscuso, Engineer	Present
Nafis Nichols, Finance Director	Present

III. CITIZEN'S FORUM (agenda items only – comments limited to 3 minutes)

1. Michael Trent has concerns regarding the A/P list. He is also requesting that the mayor's report be moved up to hire the new full-time police officers.
2. Ms. Anna has concerns regarding public safety stating that people in the community are not feeling safe. She also asked that the vote for the hiring of full-time police officers be moved up on the agenda.
3. Clara Johnson is asking that the meeting minutes be made available to residents at the Legislative meetings. She also had questions regarding Ordinance #2023-1401. She also asked the mayor to resume his Saturday public safety meetings.
4. Mr. Tuneka El stated his concerns regarding public safety.

IV. MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Motion to amend the agenda to move the hiring of the Full-time Police Officers to after Citizens Forum.
Moved By: Councilor Monroe
Seconded By: Councilor Roadcloud
Motion Passed: 6 – 1, President Sharon Council-Harris opposed.
2. Motion for the of hiring Justin O'Donnell, Danielle PettyJohn, Dalton Menasion, and Jessica Beaton as Full-time Police Officers for the Yeadon Police Department contingent upon the successful completion of a background investigation, medical physical, psychological exam, and polygraph.
Moved By: Councilor Monroe
Seconded By: Vice President Johnson
Motion Passed: Unanimous
3. Motion to promote Nicholas Tokonitz from Patrol Officer to the rank of Sergeant of the Yeadon Police Department.
Moved By: Councilor Monroe
Seconded By: Vice President Johnson
Motion Passed: Unanimous

V. FINANCE REPORTS

1. Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List for May and June.
Moved By: Vice President Johnson
Seconded By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Motion Passed 4 – 3, Councilors Roadcloud, Monroe, and Beaty opposed.
2. Motion to amend the Accounts Payable List to exclude payment to Quadjam.
Moved By: Councilor Monroe
Seconded By: Councilor Roadcloud
Motion Passed: 4 – 3, President Council-Harris, and Councilors Jones-Waters and Brooks opposed.
3. Motion to amend the Accounts Payable List to exclude payment to Jan Deruiter until his invoice can be investigated.
Moved By: Councilor Monroe
Seconded By: Councilor Roadcloud
Motion Failed: 3 – 4, President Council-Harris, Vice President Johnson, and Councilors Brooks and Jones-Waters opposed.
4. Motion to add Quadjam to the Accounts Payable List for payment.
Moved By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: 4 – 3, Councilors Beaty, Monroe, and Roadcloud opposed.
5. Motion to approve the payment to Quadjam Enterprises in the amount of \$26,039.50.
Moved By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: 4 – 3, Councilors Beaty, Monroe, and Roadcloud opposed.

6. Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report for April and May.
Moved By: Vice President Johnson
Seconded By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Motion Passed: 4 – 3, Councilors Beaty, Monroe, and Roadcloud opposed.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion to suspend Workshop Meetings for the summer months of July and August.
Moved By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks

Motion to amend the previous motion for the suspension of the Workshop Meeting for the summer months of July and August to the suspension of the Workshop Meeting for the month of August.

Moved By: Councilor Monroe
Seconded By: Councilor Beaty
Motion Passed: Unanimous

Motion to suspend the Workshop Meeting for the month of August.

Moved By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: 4 – 3, Councilors Beaty, Monroe, and Roadcloud opposed.

2. Motion to approve the proposed settlement agreement for Restore Dispensary.
Moved By: Vice President Johnson
Seconded By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Motion Passed: Unanimous

*Councilor Brooks left the meeting after the above vote was taken. *

3. Motion to amend the agenda to vote on the Engineer's Report before the Minutes.
Moved By: Vice President Johnson
Seconded By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Motion Passed: 4 – 2, Councilors Beaty and Monroe opposed.

VII. ENGINEER'S REPORT

1. Motion to approve the 2023 County Aid application.
Moved By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Seconded By: Vice President Johnson
Motion Passed: Unanimous

VIII. NEW BUSINESS CONT'D

1. Motion to remove Sharon Council-Harris as President of the Yeadon Borough Council.
Moved By: Councilor Roadcloud
Seconded By: Councilor Beaty
Motion Passed: 3 – 3, President Sharon Council-Harris, Vice President Johnson, and Councilor Jones-Waters opposed. Mayor vote: yes.

2. Motion to remove Learin Johnson as Vice President of the Yeadon Borough Council.
Moved By: Councilor Monroe
Seconded By: Councilor Roadcloud
Motion Passed: 3 – 3, Vice President Johnson, and Councilors Council-Harris and Jones-Waters opposed. Mayor vote: yes

After the above vote was taken Councilors Beaty, Monroe, and Roadcloud left the meeting.

Meeting placed in recess without a quorum.

*Councilor Brooks returned to the meeting. *

Meeting called back to order.

3. Motion to appoint Learin Johnson to President of Yeadon Borough Council.
Moved By: Councilor Council-Harris
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: Unanimous
4. Motion to appoint Sharon Council-Harris to Vice President of Yeadon Borough Council.
Moved By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: Unanimous

IX. MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Motion to terminate the employee with payroll number ending in 0226.
Moved By: Vice President Council-Harris
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: 3 – 1, Councilor Jones-Waters opposed.
2. Motion to table the consideration to adopt Ordinance #2023-1401.
Moved By: Vice President Council-Harris
Seconded By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Motion Passed: Unanimous
3. Motion to approve the updated Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Borough of Yeadon and SEIUL 32 BJ.
Moved By: Vice President Council-Harris
Seconded By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Motion Passed: Unanimous
4. Motion to adjust lot lines of two lots totaling 0.504 acres at 101 A Lincoln Avenue.
Moved By: Vice President Council-Harris
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: Unanimous

X. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

1. Motion to advertise and adopt Ordinance #2023-1402 to allow for the private collection of Sewer Fees on the Borough's behalf.
Moved By: Vice President Council-Harris
Seconded By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Motion Passed: Unanimous

2. Motion to advertise and adopt Ordinance #2023-1403 to increase the interest rate to 10% on collections of Sewer Fees more than 60 days old.
Moved By: Vice President Council-Harris
Seconded By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Motion Passed: Unanimous
3. Motion to adopt Resolution #2023-004 to allow for E-Collect PA LLC to be the private collection agency for Sewer Fees on the Borough's behalf.
Moved By: Vice President Council-Harris
Seconded By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Motion Passed: Unanimous
4. Motion to approve the contract with E-Collect for the collection of delinquent refuse and sewage fees.
Moved By: Vice President Council-Harris
Seconded By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Motion Passed: Unanimous
5. Motion to approve the amendment of the Civil Service Standards to reflect 30% of the Cooper Standards, which is the standard for the Delaware County Police Academy.
Moved By: Vice President Council-Harris
Seconded By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Motion Passed: Unanimous

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Motion for the consideration of approving the removal or pruning of over-mature trees around the Borough.
Moved By: Vice President Council-Harris
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: Unanimous

XII. CITIZENS FORUM (non-agenda items- comments limited to 3 minutes)

1. Ms. Penny McDonald stated that Yeadon Borough has been through so much and voiced her thanks to the Councilors for their sacrifice.
2. Ms. Truehart had questions regarding the planning commission and what the vision of this committee will be.
3. Ms. Angela Lee had concerns regarding public safety. She also asked Council to research a grant that may help residents with asbestos shingles on their home.

XIII. MINUTES

1. Motion to approve the January 19, 2023, Legislative Meeting Minutes.
Moved By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: Unanimous

2. Motion to approve the February 16, 2023, Legislative Meeting Minutes.
Moved By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: Unanimous

3. Motion to approve the March 30, 2023, Special Meeting Minutes.
Moved By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: Unanimous

4. Motion to approve the April 20, 2023, Legislative Meeting Minutes.
Moved By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: Unanimous

5. Motion to approve the May 1, 2023, Special Meeting Minutes.
Moved By: Councilor Jones-Waters
Seconded By: Councilor Brooks
Motion Passed: Unanimous

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

1. Motion to adjourn.
Moved By: President Johnson

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by the Borough Secretary.