



BOROUGH OF YEADON
DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
BOROUGH COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 15, 2024

Meeting began

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

Rohan K. Hepkins, Mayor	Present
LaToya Monroe, President	Present
Liana Roadcloud, Vice President	Present
Nicole Beaty	Present
Jessie Peets	Present
Antoinette Truehart	Present
Learin Johnson	Absent
Kilkenny Law, Solicitor	Present
Yolanda Hughes, Tax Collector	Present
Joseph Viscuso, Engineer	Present
Nafis Nichols, Finance Director	Present

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

1. Ms. Liz A. spoke regarding infrastructure and communication issues citing she could not reach anyone at the Borough. * This information is sourced from her sign-in form because the recording began only after she had spoken.
2. Dr. Vivian B. Ford raised a question regarding the selection process for new Councilors, noting the apparent use of two different procedures: direct selection and interviews. She inquired about the reasoning behind this approach. She also mentioned her difficulty in hearing and suggested that the borough consider providing technology to assist individuals in similar situations.
3. Ms. Anna discussed the importance of fiscal management, particularly focusing on monitoring engineering expenses to ensure they align with expectations. She also requested more information regarding an ordinance on concealed face coverings and emphasized the need for transparency and fiscal responsibility in appointing a new Councilor.

IV. MINUTES

1. Motion to approve the January 18, 2024, Legislative Meeting Minutes with amendment to include that Councilor Johnson was present at the start of the meeting but advised she would not be able to participate if she was having difficulty hearing the meeting.

Moved By: Councilor Beaty

Seconded By: Councilor Truehart

Motion Passed: Unanimous

V. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hepkins asked that his report stand as submitted during last week's Caucus meeting. He highlighted the upcoming Mayor's Forum scheduled for Thursday, March 7th, where Dr. Becoats will attend and address questions regarding the field and the school district for residents.

1. Motion to approve the adoption of Ordinance #2024-001 Concealed Faces.

Moved By: Councilor Truehart

Seconded By: Vice President Roadcloud

Motion Passed: Unanimous

VI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Motion to appoint Michael Trent to the unexpired Yeadon Borough Council Seat vacated by Carlette Brooks, term to expire January 5, 2026.

Moved By: Councilor Truehart

Seconded By: Councilor Beaty

Motion Passed: Unanimous

Councilor Michael Trent is sworn in.

President Monroe mentioned Speaker McClinton's advocacy for the newly increased child tax credit, which will now be matched by the state at 100%, providing up to \$2100 back to families. This initiative aims to alleviate financial burdens on working families. Speaker McClinton operates quietly and effectively within our Borough. Just recently, we received news about a grant awarded to our Police Department. We are truly grateful for these developments and hope for more positive news in the future.

VII. MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Nichols reminded residents to file their local taxes with Keystone Collection Group when submitting federal and state taxes. Failure to do so may result in notices and late fees. He requested his report be accepted as submitted at Caucus.

VIII. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Kilkenny reported due to the questions at the committee meeting. He provided a follow-up in an executive session regarding property maintenance code issues. He assured vigorous pursuit of these matters with collaboration between offices, expecting progress soon. He concluded his report unless there were further questions on the mentioned properties. Additionally, he announced an Executive session was held at 6:30 PM to address personnel and litigation matters.

IX. TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Hughes requested that her report stand as submitted at last week's meeting. She noted she has collected more money but mentioned ongoing issues with the calculation and record-keeping program. She assured a comprehensive report would be available at the next meeting. Regarding online payments, she advised waiting a couple of weeks due to glitches in the system to ensure accurate records. If already paid online, individuals were instructed to contact her office and stated that further communication would follow through a letter.

X. ENGINEER'S REPORT

1. Motion for the approval of Land Development Plans for 404 Industrial Park Drive.

Moved By: Councilor Beaty

Seconded By: Councilor Truehart

Motion Passed: 5 – 0, Councilor Peets abstained.

XI. REPORTS AND MOTIONS

A. Finance

1. Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List for February 2024.

Moved By: Vice President Roadcloud

Seconded By: Councilor Trent

Motion Passed: Unanimous

2. Motion to approve the Cash Balance Report.

Moved By: Vice President Roadcloud

Seconded By: Councilor Beaty

Motion Passed: Unanimous

3. Motion to adopt Resolution #2024-001 authorizing the sale of 2023 delinquent Borough Real Estate Taxes to Municipal Revenue Service.

Moved By: Vice President Roadcloud

Seconded By: Councilor Beaty

Motion Passed: Unanimous

B. Ordinances & Zoning

1. Motion for the advertisement of Ordinance #2024-002, Regulating Waste Dumpsters.

Moved By: Vice President Roadcloud

Seconded By: Councilor Beaty

Motion Passed: Unanimous

C. Public Works

Mr. Pozzuolo asked that his report stand as submitted at the Caucus meeting.

D. Public Safety

1. Police Department's Report

Chief Giammarco asked that his report stand as submitted as the Caucus meeting.

E. Recreation

Mr. Hunter stated that his report remains as submitted and announced a free rain garden workshop slated for March 2nd at the Haverford Recreation Center. He urged residents keen on establishing rain gardens to consult the online flyer. Moreover, he spotlighted a notable resident, ranked as the number six triple jumper in Pennsylvania, set to compete tomorrow at Lehigh University and next week on the 25th at Penn State University.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

1. Motion to adjourn.
Moved By: Councilor Trent
Seconded By: Councilor Truehart

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted by the Borough Secretary.