



BOROUGH OF YEADON
DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
BOROUGH COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 19, 2024

Meeting began at 7:00 pm.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

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

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

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

IV. MINUTES

1. Motion to approve the November 14, 2024, Caucus Meeting Minutes.
Moved By: Councilor Beaty
Seconded By: Vice President Roadcloud
Motion Passed: Unanimous
2. Motion to approve the November 21, 2024, Legislative Meeting Minutes.
Moved By: Vice President Roadcloud
Seconded By: Councilor Beaty
Motion Passed: Unanimous

V. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hepkins reported the following:

My report stands as submitted last week at Caucus. Councilor Jesse Peets and I have finalized the 2025 schedule for public safety meetings and the quarterly Mayor's Citizens Forum. The schedule has been submitted and will be available online soon.

I'd also like to note that the public safety meeting scheduled for Saturday has been canceled, as year-end gatherings often see lower attendance. This marks the conclusion of a successful year with 11 meetings and a December Mayor's Forum.

Wishing everyone a safe, happy, and healthy holiday season. See you next year!

VI. ENGINEER'S REPORT

1. Motion to open a hearing for the CDBG Application for sanitary sewer replacement on Bullock Ave between Darnell and Parmley.
Moved By: Councilor Beaty
Seconded By: Councilor Truehart

Megan from Pennoni Engineering provided the following summary during the public hearing for the Delaware County CDBG application:

The hearing concerns the replacement of approximately 600 linear feet of sanitary sewer on Bullock Avenue, including 50 laterals. While the project is significant, initial estimates—developed in collaboration with Public Works—suggest it will cost around \$500,000. This figure will serve as the grant request amount. However, the team is also exploring more cost-effective alternatives, if feasible, to ensure the best use of resources. Megan emphasized the importance of requesting a grant that reflects the potential full project cost to avoid underfunding. She concluded by inviting any questions from Council.

President Monroe sought clarification, asking, "So, the blue represents the main sewer line?" The response was affirmative, with an explanation that the green lines represent laterals—one per household. It was further clarified that for twin structures, there are two laterals per structure, as each individual dwelling has its own line.

No Public Comments

Public Hearing closed.

2. Motion to approve the resolution for the CDBG grant application.
Moved By: Councilor Truehart
Seconded By: Councilor Johnson
Motion Passed: Unanimous

VII. MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Motion to amend item 7a. on the agenda which reads Consideration to ratify suspending payments to the parking meters (for the holidays) from Thanksgiving through New Year's Day to be amended to suspending payments from Thanksgiving through February 1st.
Moved By: Councilor Johnson
Seconded By: Councilor Peets
Motion Passed: Unanimous
2. Motion to ratify suspending payments to the parking meters from Thanksgiving through February 1, 2025.
Moved By: Councilor Truehart
Seconded By: Councilor Beaty
Motion Passed: Unanimous
3. Motion to advertise Ordinance 2024-015: Lead Inspection.
Moved By: Councilor Beaty
Seconded By: Councilor Peets
Motion Passed: Unanimous
4. Motion to adopt the 2025 Yeadon Borough recognized holiday schedule.
Moved By: Councilor Truehart
Seconded By: Councilor Peets
Motion Passed: Unanimous
5. Motion to advertise the 2025 Public Meeting Schedule for the Yeadon Borough Council.
Moved By: Councilor Peets
Seconded By: Councilor Truehart
Motion Passed: Unanimous
6. Motion for the hiring of Lisa Harp as a Part-time Crossing Guard effective upon the successful completion of background checks.
Moved By: Councilor Beaty
Seconded By: Councilor Peets
Motion Passed: Unanimous
7. Motion to table the Consideration to advertise for the amendment of Ordinance number 172-3, Factors in determining approval of the application of Handicap Parking Permits.
Moved By: Councilor Beaty
Seconded By: Councilor Peets
Motion Passed: Unanimous
8. Motion to approve the grant application for the Yeadon Education Athletic Association (YEAA) donation request of \$10,000.
Moved By: Councilor Beaty
Seconded By: Councilor Peets
Motion Passed: Unanimous

9. Motion to approve a resolution to amend Borough Code 285-39: Parking Meter Zones Established to increase parking meter fees to \$1.00 per hour.
Moved By: Vice President Roadcloud
Seconded By: Councilor Peets
Motion Passed: Unanimous

VIII. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Briana Bryant of Kilkenny Law provided an update, stating that her report stands as submitted at the previous week's Caucus. She noted that looking ahead to 2025, the firm plans to introduce and advertise an ordinance addressing eyesores and is collaborating with the borough to strengthen enforcement of ordinances related to vehicle repairs on private property.

Bryant also highlighted that the firm had recently drafted the Lead Inspection Ordinance and a resolution to ratify the Civil Service Commission's bylaws, emphasizing these as part of their ongoing efforts for the upcoming year.

IX. REPORTS

A. Finance

1. Motion to approve the Accounts Payable List for December 2024.
Moved By: Councilor Peets
Seconded By: Councilor Truehart
Motion Passed: Unanimous

B. Ordinances & Zoning

The report stands as submitted at Caucus.

C. Public Works

Mike Pozzuolo provided an update, noting that his report remains as submitted at Caucus. He shared a few additional updates, including the ongoing restoration work on MacDade Boulevard between MacDade and Church, as well as West Cobbs Creek Parkway. Crews are currently saw-cutting in preparation for patching, with re-milling scheduled for next week or the following week.

He also mentioned an issue on Angora Avenue involving a sewer problem under investigation to determine whether it is related to a main or lateral line.

D. Public Safety

1. Police Department's Report
 - a. Motion to approve the Civil Service Commission's revised rules and regulations.
Moved By: Vice President Roadcloud
Seconded By: Councilor Peets
Motion Passed: Unanimous

E. Recreation

Councilor Beaty shared that the Recreation report presented last week by Roy stands as submitted. She expressed gratitude to the community for their continued support of the committee, highlighting the success and excitement of 2024.

Councilor Beaty thanked her colleagues for their support and conveyed enthusiasm for 2025, promising to deliver more of the same engaging and enjoyable activities. She concluded with warm holiday wishes, saying, "Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, and see you next year."

X. ADJOURNMENT

1. Motion to adjourn.

Moved By: Councilor Truehart

Seconded By: Councilor Peets

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted by the Borough Secretary.