

TULLYTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

May 1, 2018

President, Mary Ann Gahagan called the meeting of the Tullytown Borough Council to order on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Cutchineal asked for a moment of silence for Paulette Meister of Lakeside and Dick Johnson, former Tullytown fire chief and life member who passed away.

Present at the meeting:

Mayor Cutchineal

Councilwoman Chrzanowski

Councilwoman Kettler

Councilwoman Slemmer

Councilman Pirolli

Councilman Shellenberger

Councilwoman Johnson—absent due to death in the family

Councilwoman Gahagan

Also present:

Thomas J. Walsh, Borough Solicitor

Joe McPadden, Borough Treasurer

Nancy Conner, Borough Secretary

SOLICITOR'S REPORT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Walsh advised there were two items discussed in executive session; namely, personnel matter and litigation matter.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jim Thompson, 211 Kenwood Drive South, Levittown, advised he previously spoke to Joe Shellenberger and a few other people on Council regarding his driveway—water collecting in front—he advised this winter—the whole end of his driveway is pulled up—it is actually cracked as well as the street in front of the driveway. He said hopefully Council will fix it. He had pictures to show but he can't find at this time. He asked if someone from the Borough can come out to check it out. Mr. Walsh said Council can look at it but can't make any promises. Mr. Thompson said when the work was done—you can see where the water collects—there is no question about the street—the street is all broken up on his driveway where the water collects. Mr. Walsh suggested to have our street department personnel look at it and then maybe the engineer and they will advise. Miss Slemmer asked Mr.

Thompson if he has complained about this before. Mr. Thompson advised he has complained over the years many times but no one came down to look at it.

COUNCIL MINUTES

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2018 Council meeting, seconded by Mrs. Kettler.

The motion carried with a unanimous vote of Council in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

MONTHLY BILLS

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to pay the monthly bills in the amount of \$51,628.31. Miss Slemmer seconded the motion.

All of Council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to approve the Reconciliation Statement for April 2018, seconded by Miss Slemmer.

The motion passed with a unanimous vote of Council in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Conner advised she had no communications for the month.

GENERAL BUSINESS

APPLICATION FOR ZONING HEARING BOARD-160 BORDENTOWN ROAD—DISCUSSION

Mr. Walsh advised that Borough received Zoning Hearing Board application for 160 Bordentown Road. Mr. Walsh commented that normally Council should be given a chance to discuss it because by law they have the opportunity to take a position.

Thomas Bezick, the applicant, advised this is his wife's business. He advised they manufacture fishing lures both salt water and fresh water—they have a need for retail space to be able to sell their product and will also incorporate fishing rods, ice, possibly bait—very low keyed type of business. The building is 4,500 square foot total-1,500 will be retail and 3,000 manufacturing.

Miss Slemmer asked if it will be 2 separate businesses—Mr. Bezick advised it is the same business. Mrs. Kettler commented that she feels this should be 2 separate businesses. Mr. Bezick commented they have been thinking of having different name for the tackle shop.

Mr. Walsh explained that for use purposes it is just retail. Miss Slemmer commented that they are questioning this for tax purposes.

Mr. Shellenberger asked the hours of operation. Mr. Bezick advised 5:00 to 6 or 7:00 p.m. He commented where they are located doesn't affect residences.

PUBLIC HEARING—AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE PARK RULES & REGULATIONS

Mr. Walsh advised that last month Council authorized the solicitor to advertise to conduct a public hearing to consider an ordinance amending the park rules and regulations chapter of the ordinances. Mr. Walsh explained the amendments proposed to Council and the public.

The public hearing was open for the opportunity for anyone in the audience and Council to comment. There being no comment, the comment portion of public hearing was closed.

Mr. Walsh advised this proposed ordinance was advertised in the Bucks County Courier Times.

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to adopt Ordinance #388, amending the rules and regulations of the Park, Chapter 115, seconded by Mrs. Chrzanowski.

All of Council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

FOOD PORTION OF BOROUGH PICNIC—CONSIDERATION

Mrs. Conner advised she contacted several vendors to obtain more proposals for the food portion of the borough picnic. She advised that she received 2 other proposals, in addition to the proposal received last month. The proposals were as follows:

Christina's Catering - \$6,205.00

Sandwich CAT Inc - \$17,617.84

R & R Catering - \$8,641.00

Mrs. Conner commented that she spoke with the vendors who advised that not only are they providing the food but they have to rent the grills, tables, pay their employees, etc.

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to award the proposal from Christina's Catering in the amount of \$6,205.00, seconded by Mr. Shellenberger.

Roll call vote was taken:

Mrs. Chrzanowski—for

Mrs. Kettler—for

Miss Slemmer—for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger—for

Ms. Gahagan—for

All of Council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

SALE OF BOROUGH TRUCK—CONSIDERATION

Mrs. Conner advised that last month we advertised the truck on Municibid and received a highest bid of \$13,500. Council voted at last month's meeting to re-advertise also in the Bucks County Courier Times to indicate the specifications on Municibid. Mrs. Conner indicated that the highest bid received from this last advertisement was \$15,000. Miss Slemmer commented that \$25,000 was the minimum bid so she suggested that we keep this truck instead of losing \$10,000. Mrs. Conner advised that it was advertised that Council has the right to reject any and all bids.

Miss Slemmer made a motion to reject all bids, seconded by Mrs. Chrzanowski.

The motion carried with a unanimous vote of Council in favor.

LARGE EVENT APPLICATION—FUNDRAISER—CONSIDERATION

Mrs. Conner advised that Mike Hammar presented a large event application for a fundraiser to be held in the borough park on August 18th. She advised the chief of police, fire marshal and code enforcement officer reviewed and signed off on the application.

Mike Hammar was present and advised that the application was for the "Ride for Frankie" fundraiser.

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to approve the large event application for the fundraiser. Mr. Shellenberger seconded the motion.

All of Council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

LEIGHTRONIX RENEWAL—CONSIDERATION

Mrs. Conner advised that the Borough uses a company to stream the videos of the Council meetings and stores and views meetings on our website. She advised that the fee last year was \$2,388 for this annual fee. However, she added that she checked with our new video rep, Jeff Jim to get his recommendation. She added that he recommended that we could go

with the “economy package” since we don’t have that many hours to be stored and if we need more storage, we can pay for the bigger package.

Mrs. Kettler made a motion to direct Nancy Conner to sign with Leightronix for our renewal in the amount of \$1,788 for a one year contract. Mrs. Chrzanowski seconded the motion.

Roll call vote was taken:

Mrs. Chrzanowski—for

Mrs. Kettler—for

Miss Slemmer—for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger—for

Ms. Gahagan—for

All of Council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

APPOINT JOE SHELLENBERGER AS VOTING DELEGATE FOR PSAB CONFERENCE—CONSIDERATION

Mrs. Conner advised that Joe Shellenberger will be attending the PSAB conference in June and Borough Council must approve him as voting delegate so he may vote on officers of the Association and proposed resolutions and policies.

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to appoint Joe Shellenberger as voting delegate for the PSAB conference between June 11th and 13th, seconded by Mrs. Chrzanowski.

The majority of Council voted in favor of the motion; one abstention by Joe Shellenberger. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

BOROUGH REPORTS

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Cutchineal advised that Memorial Day services will be held on May 26th and the parade later at noon.

Mayor Cutchineal congratulated Sgt. Bunda of our police department who was married on Saturday!

Mayor Cutchineal also reminded everyone that Election Day is May 16th and encouraged all to vote for the candidate of their choice.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Conner advised the Coordinator's Report has been distributed to Council previously. Mrs. Conner advised there are a few additions highlighted in yellow on the report. She indicated that attached to the report, Mrs. Smith included flyers that would be sent to residents regarding the bulk pick-up as Council discussed last month. Council accepted the report as submitted.

Linda Slemmer asked Joe McPadden if he heard anything else on the Verizon proposed tower. Joe advised he hasn't heard anything else at this point. Miss Slemmer advised it was on the agenda last month and thought more information would be coming. Joe McPadden commented that he received the email asking if we would be interested, he directed the email to Alison Smith as she is the coordinator. He commented that he can follow up if need be. Miss Slemmer asked if he could do so.

CHIEF'S REPORT

No Report

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Walsh indicated that there is a personnel matter—the Borough is currently in discussion with the Coordinator about her employment status. He advised that the recommended motion would be that effective immediately Council place the Coordinator on administrative paid leave.

Mrs. Kettler made a motion to have Alison Smith on administrative paid leave, effective immediately. Mrs. Chrzanowski seconded the motion.

All of Council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

There is no Engineer's Report.

MISCELLANEOUS COUNCIL BUSINESS

Mrs. Kettler made a motion that we accept proposals from special labor counsel in light of employee issues we are having. Miss Slemmer seconded the motion.

All of Council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

Mrs. Kettler asked Mr. Walsh if anyone has discussed with him or the engineer working on the TOD for the McGrath project. She asked if we need a motion to move forward with that.

Mr. Walsh advised that during the meeting we had with DEP, McGrath, etc., it was indicated that even McGrath's engineers are not close to being done with the analysis. He added that the development we are looking at is very premature at this time because it may change depending upon what our own engineers come up with.

Mr. McPadden asked if Gilmore is doing the traffic studies before this remediation is complete. He indicated that he has been receiving invoices from Gilmore for traffic studies. Mr. Walsh commented that he is probably doing Mr. McGrath's traffic studies but we can clarify that. Ms. Gahagan commented that should fall under escrow monies.

Miss Slemmer suggested we contact Gilmore to prepare their invoices with more detail as Mr. Walsh does in his invoice. Mr. Walsh explained that the general invoices are taxpayer dollars and everything else is detailed as to what is paid out of escrow. Miss Slemmer commented that Mr. Walsh explained everything in detail.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Shellenberger to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Kettler.

All of Council was in favor of the motion; the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy Conner
Borough Secretary