

TULLYTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

July 9, 2019

President, Nina Chrzanowski called the meeting of the Tullytown Borough Council to order on Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Cutchineal asked for a moment of silence for George Baker who recently passed away.

Present at the meeting:

Mayor Cutchineal
Councilwoman Gahagan
Councilwoman Kettler
Councilwoman Slemmer
Councilman Pirolli
Councilman Shellenberger
Councilwoman Johnson
Councilwoman Chrzanowski

Also present:

Thomas J. Walsh III, Esquire, Borough Solicitor
Andrew Warren, Borough Coordinator
Andrew Bunda, Sgt. Police Dept.
Daniel Pasciullo, Fire Marshal
Joe McPadden, Borough Treasurer
Nancy Conner, Borough Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rich Hart, 50 Stream Lane, Levittown, thanked everyone especially the Street Department, Police Department and all who made the St. Mike's Fair a success.

Mike Hammar, 237 Kenwood Drive S, Levittown, thanked the Police Department, Park & Recreation members and members of our Street Department for helping out with the "Movie in the Park" at the Tullytown Canal Park. He commented that the night was a huge success and will probably hold another one in October this year.

COUNCIL MINUTES

June 4, 2019 Council Meeting

Mrs. Kettler made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2019 Council meeting, seconded by Mr. Shellenberger.

The vote of Council was as follows:

Ms. Gahagan—for

Mrs. Kettler--for

Miss Slemmer--for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger--for

Mrs. Johnson--for

Mrs. Chrzanowski--for

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

MONTHLY BILLS

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$38,237.54, seconded by Mrs. Kettler.

Roll Call vote was taken:

Ms. Gahagan—for

Mrs. Kettler--for

Miss Slemmer--for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger--for

Mrs. Johnson--for

Mrs. Chrzanowski--for

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

OTHER EXPENSES PAID IN JUNE

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to approve the other expenses for June in the amount of \$244,099.60, seconded by Miss Slemmer.

Roll call vote was taken:

Ms. Gahagan—for

Mrs. Kettler--for

Miss Slemmer--for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger--for

Mrs. Johnson--for

Mrs. Chrzanowski--for

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

Mr. Warren explained the difference between the other expenses in June which are the continual bills such as payroll, gas, electric, other routine expenses that have previously been approved in budget process versus the monthly bills which are out of the ordinary bills that Council needs to approve.

RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to approve the Reconciliation Statement for June, 2019, seconded by Miss Slemmer.

Roll Call vote was taken:

Ms. Gahagan—for

Mrs. Kettler--for

Miss Slemmer--for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger--for

Mrs. Johnson--for

Mrs. Chrzanowski--for

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Conner advised that she received a letter of resignation from Joan Andersen, who has been a member of the Park & Recreation Committee for over 25 years. She mentioned that Joan advised she is not able to continue at this time but would be available to help out if needed from time to time.

Mr. Shellenberger made a motion to accept Joan Andersen's resignation on the Park & Recreation Committee, seconded by Mr. Pirolli.

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

Ms. Gahagan suggested to send a letter to Joan Andersen thanking her for her time. Mrs. Conner advised she will do so.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ZONING HEARING FOR 38 SUMMER LANE—DISCUSSION

Mr. Walsh advised that this zoning hearing is scheduled for July 31st. The applicants, Catherine & Nicholas Giorgio were present to explain their request for variance.

Mrs. Giorgio advised they wish to put in an in ground 14 x 24' pool and are asking for variance as they over the requirements for impervious surface that the zoning ordinance allows for. Mr. Walsh advised that residents will be notified of the hearing and they may attend and possibly ask questions and one of them may be the run off of water. He commented the Zoning Board may ask how you will address this issue. Mrs. Giorgio advised that they took up some pavers to offset. Mr. Walsh suggested they get measurements of how much will be removed for the zoning meeting.

Mr. Shellenberger asked if there are any overhead wires. Mrs. Giorgio advised that they are 10 feet from the overhead wires. Mrs. Giorgio explained that the reason for the in ground pool is because she is having balance issues using the steps to their pool at present.

There were no concerns of Council or the public.

State Senator Steve Santarsiero advised that he serves the 10th district (including Tullytown Borough) which is a big geographical area. He commented that he tries to have as much opportunity to help with constituent service throughout the district. He added that he has 2 permanent offices that the State allows—one located in Newtown and one in Doylestown. Senator commented that it would be beneficial to have some kind of presence in Tullytown for availability for this area of Bucks County. He advised they would like to have a satellite office here on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to noon beginning July 30th. He thanked Mayor Cutchineal for setting this up and Council for their consideration.

Mrs. Chrzanowski commented that Senator would provide everything they need. He agreed that is correct. Senator Santarsiero introduced Rose Winchell, his chief of staff.

APPOINTMENT TO LBCJMA—CONSIDERATION

Miss Slemmer made a motion to appoint Michele Hammar, seconded by Mrs. Kettler.

Mrs. Johnson asked if she could make a motion to appoint Charles VanDine as he submitted the next letter of interest. She also asked if Michele Hammar submitted a letter of interest. Mrs. Chrzanowski advised she did submit a letter. Mrs. Johnson advised that Chip's letter was in since Bobbie resigned. Mrs. Chrzanowski advised that Chip was just appointed as a crossing guard.

Mr. Walsh asked if this appointment fills the term of Bobbie DePalo. Mrs. Conner advised yes -- the term runs until December 31, 2022.

Mr. Walsh suggested a "straw voting" to see where the vote would go so this would not close the discussion. The "straw vote" was as follows: Mrs. Chrzanowski-for Hammar; Mr. Pirolli—for Hammar; Miss Slemmer—for Hammar; Mrs. Kettler—for Hammar; Mrs. Johnson—for Vandine; Mr. Shellenberger—for Vandine; Ms. Gahagan—for Hammar. The vote was 5-2.

The vote of Council on the motion to appoint Michele Hammar was as follows:

Ms. Gahagan—for

Mrs. Kettler--for

Miss Slemmer--for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger--for

Mrs. Johnson--against

Mrs. Chrzanowski—for

The majority of Council voted in favor of Michele Hammar appointed to the LBCJMA.

RE-APPOINTMENT TO PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE—CONSIDERATION

Mrs. Conner advised that Frank Baker, Jr's term expired and he is still interested in being re-appointed to the Committee.

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to re-appoint Frank Baker Jr. to the Park & Recreation Committee, seconded by Mr. Shellenberger.

The vote of Council was as follows:

Ms. Gahagan—for

Mrs. Kettler--for

Miss Slemmer--for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger--for

Mrs. Johnson--for

Mrs. Chrzanowski--for

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

AUTHORIZE COUNCIL PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE FOOD TRUCK CONTRACTS

Mrs. Conner advised that we have received a contract from KC Funnel Cakes for the Borough Picnic. She added they have submitted their certificate of insurance as well. Mrs. Conner added that KC Funnel Cakes will be selling funnel cakes, fried Oreos, fried Twinkies, fries, water and soda.

Miss Slemmer made a motion to authorize Council President to execute the food truck contract with KC Funnel Cakes. Mr. Pirolli seconded the motion.

Roll call vote was taken:

Ms. Gahagan—for

Mrs. Kettler--for

Miss Slemmer--for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger--for

Mrs. Johnson--for

Mrs. Chrzanowski-for

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

BUCKS COUNTY TOUR OF HONOR REQUEST FOR DONATION FOR VETERANS TRIP TO DC—CONSIDERATION

Mr. Warren advised that the Borough has received a request from the Bucks County Tour of Honor for a donation to the Washington DC Memorial trip which will be held on October 7, 2019 for World War II and Korean War Veterans. He added the Tour of Honor has served over 1,560 veterans during the past 6 years for this trip.

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to donate to the Bucks County Tour of Honor to the cost of the advertisement not to exceed \$250. Mr. Shellenberger seconded the motion.

Roll call vote was taken:

Ms. Gahagan—for

Mrs. Kettler--for

Miss Slemmer--for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger--for

Mrs. Johnson--for

Mrs. Chrzanowski--for

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

CLARKE MOSQUITO CONTRACT 2019 YEAR—CONSIDERATION

Mrs. Conner explained the contract that was before Council for consideration. Mr. Walsh indicated that there were some errors on the contract:

- 1) Page 2 – date shows 2016 – should be changed to 2019
- 2) Page 2 – II. Change season to 2019-2020.

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to approve the contract with Clarke Mosquito in the amount of \$2,400 with the changes made mentioned in 1 and 2 above. Mr. Shellenberger seconded the motion.

The vote of Council was as follows:

Ms. Gahagan—for

Mrs. Kettler--for

Miss Slemmer--for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger--for

Mrs. Johnson--for

Mrs. Chrzanowski--for

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

HIRE 1 PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER—CONSIDERATION

Sgt Bunda advised that Chief Doyle is requesting Council to hire one part-time police officer; namely, Nicholas Gallina.

Mr. Pirolli made a motion to hire as part-time police officer--Nicholas Gallina, seconded by Miss Slemmer.

Roll call vote was taken:

Ms. Gahagan—for

Mrs. Kettler—for

Miss Slemmer—for

Mr. Pirolli—for

Mr. Shellenberger—for

Mrs. Johnson—for

Mrs. Chrzanowski—for

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Reports

BOROUGH REPORTS

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Cutchineal advised the 9-11 Vigil will be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2019. He indicated speakers that have committed so far are Bucks County Community College professor, Bill Pezza, Trenton Fire Commissioner, Derrick Sawyer, and former Philadelphia Mayor Wilson Good. He advised the next meeting is tomorrow night and would like anyone interested to come to help out.

He also advised the 2nd annual “Camping with the Cops” will be held on August 24th and we are accepting registrations for that event.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Walsh advised the public hearing was scheduled for this evening regarding the ordinance. He indicated that would amend our Uniform Construction Codes but that had to be rescheduled as we received comments from the Labor and Industry for the Borough to make changes. He added that after changes have been made, it will be rescheduled for public hearing.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Warren reminded property owners to take care of their property and keep it maintained. He added that if this issue continues and residents don't adhere, the Borough will pay a lawn service to clean up and the owner will be charged. He added that we don't like to get to that point so hopefully property owners will keep their property cleaned up, grass cut, etc.

Ms. Gahagan suggested that we put that on the website.

CHIEF'S REPORT

No further report.

FIRE MARSHAL'S REPORT

Mr. Pasciullo advised that he submitted his report to Council. Regarding the WAWA/Hesski issue, Mr. Pasciullo advised that he met with DEP onsite on June 25th. He advised that they are allowed to store the waste there for a year—it is a soil test for contamination before they start the new construction but it was not properly done. He added that DEP is working with WAWA to get the drums removed.

Mr. Pasciullo advised that June was a busy month. He completed 22 inspections--- nothing major and everyone has been complying.

MISCELLANEOUS COUNCIL BUSINESS

Mrs. Chrzanowski announced the Borough Picnic being held September 7th, Rain Date September 8th. She further explained there will be food trucks available for purchasing food, snacks, drinks, etc. or residents can bring their own food---fireworks at dusk. She added that a flyer will be mailed out to residents with more information.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Pirolli to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Miss Slemmer.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy Conner
Borough Secretary