



**Borough of Ridley Park
Council Regular Meeting
August 16, 2016**

Welcome

The Ridley Park Borough Council met in Regular Session on the above date in Council Chambers of Ridley Park Borough Hall with Council President Bob Berger presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Eberle led reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Councilor Jared Brennan – Absent
Councilor Dan Broadhurst – Present
Councilor Michele Endriss-Dalessio - Present
Councilor Mike Gale - Present
Councilor Samantha Snow – Absent
Mayor Hank Eberle – Present
Council President Bob Berger - Present

Presentation

- Mary Francis Howat and Danielle DelPiano appeared in front of Council to provide information about the Ridley High School – 2016 Homecoming Events and Community Parade (10/12-15/2016).

Mayor's Report (Honorable Hank Eberle)

Mayor Eberle reported on the following:

- Creation of a task force to plan and implement the Walking Trail that connects the Ridley Park Borough park system.
- Continuing effort to fight drug addiction and bring awareness to the Ridley Park community.

- Residents are reminded to use caution while driving in the Borough, especially in the park areas. Youth programs are underway and please watch out for children.
- Residents are encouraged to attend the 30th Anniversary of the Town Fair is scheduled for September 10th, from 10 AM to 4 PM.

Motion to accept the Mayor's Report was made by Mr. Glenn and seconded by Ms. Endriss-Dalessio. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

Planning and Zoning (Councilor Mike Gale)

Councilor Mike Gale reported on the following:

- Planning Commission – no new business.
- Zoning Hearing Board – no new business. A vacancy in the ZHB was created with the appointment of Mr. Glenn to Council.
- Code Enforcement –monthly report for July 2016 was provided by Commonwealth Code Enforcement and a copy is attached.

Motion to accept the Planning and Zoning Report was made by Mr. Broadhurst and seconded by Mr. Glenn. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

Public Safety (Councilor Jim Glenn)

Councilor Jim Glenn reported on the following:

- Police Department Report – the report for the month of July 2016 was delivered by Chief Frazier and a copy is attached.
- Fire Department Report – the report for the month of July 2016 was delivered by Chief Eckenrode and copy is attached.

Motion to accept the Public Safety Report was made by Ms. Endriss-Dalessio and seconded by Mr. Broadhurst. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

Communications (Councilor Jared Brennan)

No report delivered due to the absence of Councilor Jared Brennan.

Recreation (Councilor Samantha Snow)

In Ms. Snow's absence, President Berger delivered reported on the:

- Recreation Board – overview of events scheduled for the 30th Anniversary of the Town Fair is scheduled for September 10th, from 10 AM to 4 PM.
- Recycling/Trash – recycling cans have been delivered. On sale for \$15/per can.
- School Board – in Summer recess.

Motion to accept the Recreation Report was made Mr. Glenn and seconded by Mr. Broadhurst. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

Parks & Properties (Councilor Michele Endriss-Dalessio)

Councilor Michele Endriss-Dalessio reported on the following:

- Highway Department – grass-cutting and mosquito spraying continues through October.
- Ridley Park Business Association – no upcoming meetings scheduled at this time.
- Ridley Park Athletic Club – football and cheerleading programs are underway.
- Shade Tree Committee – no meeting this month due to scheduling conflicts.

Motion to accept the Parks & Properties Report was made Mr. Glenn and seconded by Mr. Broadhurst. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

Public Relations (Councilor Dan Broadhurst)

Councilor Dan Broadhurst reported on the following:

- Library Board – the report for July 2016 was prepared by Library Director Mary-Alice Walsh and a copy is attached.
- Historical Commission – planning for the Historical Preservation awards are underway.
- H.A.R.B. Committee – Council is scheduled to take action on three recommendations recently reviewed by H.A.R.B.

Motion to accept the Public Relations Report was made Mr. Gale and seconded by Mr. Glenn. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

Finance & Personnel (Council President Bob Berger)

President Bob Berger reported on the following:

- Accounts Payable in the amount of \$133,804.02 will be approved later in this meeting.
- Main Streets of Ridley Park – the 6th Season of the RP Farmer's Market is ongoing. The Rubber Ducky Regatta is scheduled for Sunday, September 18th (in coordination with 5K Run in the Park sponsored by Headstrong).
- CDCA – no meeting in August, next meeting is scheduled for September 13th.
- Grants –Bonnes Park construction is scheduled to begin in late-August.
- Finance – Borough received a check in the amount of \$125K associated with the transfer of sale at Taylor Hospital.

Motion to accept the Finance & Personnel Report was made Mr. Gale and seconded by Mr. Broadhurst. Councilor Broadhurst provided an overview of the current budget finances (account balances). With no other questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

Administration Reports

Manager's Report (William Stewart)

Manager Stewart reported on the following:

- On-line banking with M&T is up and running.
- Preliminary discussions have begun to refinance the General Obligation Note (GON) for the police station building.
- Police Pension MMO is due next month.

Engineer's Report (Charles Catania, Jr. PE)

Engineer Catania advised that his report for the month of July was submitted and a copy is attached.

Solicitor's Report (Ernest Angelos, ESQ)

Solicitor Angelos was not in attendance at this meeting.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

- 08/17/2016 @ ALL DAY – Yard Waste Collection (Borough Wide)
- 08/17/2016 @ 7:30 PM – Historic Commission (BH)
- 08/18/2016 @ 4:00 PM – Farmer's Market at Borough Hall
- 08/22/2016 @ 7:00 PM – Trash & Recycling Committee (BH)

- 08/23/2016 @ 1:00 PM – Senior Citizen's Book Club (BH)
- 08/24/2016 @ 7:00 PM – Planning Commission (BH)
- 08/25/2016 @ 4:00 PM – Farmer's Market at Borough Hall
- 08/25/2016 @ 7:00 PM – H.A.R.B. (BH)
- 09/01/2016 @ 4:00 PM – Farmer's Market at Borough Hall
- 09/05/2016 @ ALL DAY – Labor Day– Borough Office Closed – No Trash
- 09/06/2016 @ 7:00 PM – Council Workshop Meeting (BH)

Public Comment

Steve Keeney, 101 Baldwin Avenue

Mr. Kenney expressed concern with the pavement restoration along Baldwin Avenue & Ladomus Street in the area of the new home(s) construction. The utility tie-ins (trenches) have settled. Commonwealth Code will be instructed to review the situation.

Andy Furman, 419 Pomeroy Street

Mr. Furman questioned if the Borough should be receiving a 3rd & 4th quarter real-estate property taxes associated with the sale of Taylor Hospital. President Berger will contact the Borough Solicitor regarding this issue.

Mr. Furman questioned if the Borough has received any payment(s) from Aqua associated with the main replacement at Hetzel Road. An agreement for reimbursement has been reached but the Borough has not yet received any monies to date.

Action Items

- **Motion:** to approve the accounts payable from the period beginning 07/01/2016 through 07/31/2016 in the amount of \$133,804.02. The motion was made by President Berger and seconded by Mr. Glenn. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.
- **Motion:** to nominate Robert Galbraith to the Zoning Hearing Board. The motion was made by Mr. Gale and seconded by President Berger. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.
- **Motion:** to approve the sale of the following surplus equipment on municibid.com:
 - 2005 Dodge Durango (1D4HB38N55F578973)
 - 2009 Dodge Charger (2B3KA43T79H642146)The motion was made by President Berger and seconded by Mr. Glenn. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.
- **Motion:** to approve the following H.A.R.B. applications:

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➤ Case#2016-003: 115 Russell Street – Rehabilitate front porch.
The motion was made by Mr. Broadhurst and seconded by Ms. Endriss-Dalessio. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

➤ Case# 2016-004: 504 N. Swarthmore Avenue – Replacement of a slateshingled roof with composite materials.

The motion was made by Mr. Broadhurst and seconded by Mr. Glenn. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

➤ Case# 2016-005: 205 E. Ridley Avenue – Rehabilitate front porch
The motion was made by Mr. Broadhurst and seconded by Mr. Gale. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

Manager Stewart advised that paving along Ridley Avenue should be completed within the next week (end of August).

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Glenn and seconded by Mr. Broadhurst. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully prepared by:
William Stewart
Borough Manager
09/30/2016