



**Borough of Ridley Park
Council Regular Meeting
October 18, 2016**

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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 – Present
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

Public Comment regarding Temporary Appointment of Tom Byrne, Jr.

- **Motion:** for the temporary appointment of Tom Byrne Jr., to the position of full-time officer for a period not to exceed one (1) year pursuant to and in accordance with Section 705 of the Borough's Civil Service Rules and Regulations. Motion to approve the appointment was made by President Berger and seconded by Mr. Brennan. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Eberle administered the oath of office to swear-in Officer Byrne as a Full-time Officer in the Ridley Park Police Department.

Mayor's Report (Honorable Hank Eberle)

Mayor Eberle reported on the following:

- Walking trail – update on planning to connect the Borough park system.
- Herion Alert – update on educational program offered by RPPD.

Motion to accept the Mayor's Report was made by President Berger and seconded by Mr. Brennan. 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 – next meeting is October 26th with no new business.
- Zoning Hearing Board – no new business.
- Code Enforcement – monthly report for September 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 September 2016 was delivered by Chief Frazier and a copy is attached.
- Fire Department Report – the report for the month of September 2016 was delivered by Fire Marshall Gilmore and copy is attached.
- Board of Health – no new business
- Emergency Management – no new business

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

Communications (Councilor Jared Brennan)

Councilor Jared Brennan reported on the following:

- Telecommunications – no meeting and no new business

- Barnstormers – overview of upcoming productions
- Senior Groups – no new business

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

Recreation (Councilor Samantha Snow)

In the absence of Councilor Snow, President Berger reported on the following:

- Recycling/Trash – recycling cans available for purchase at Borough Hall for the cost price of \$15.00/EA. Yard waste collection is scheduled for tomorrow, 10/19.

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. The new leaf collection system is scheduled for delivery this month.
- Ridley Park Business Association – Halloween Parade is scheduled for October 29th at 1 PM.
- Shade Tree – no meeting this month (no quorum).

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 September 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 – no new business.

Motion to accept the Public Relations Report was made Mr. Brennan and seconded by Ms. Endriss-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 \$549,377.42 will be approved later in this meeting.
- CDCA – finalizing their budget in October.
- Grants –Bonnes Park construction is ongoing.
- Finance – provided an overview of the current budget finances (account balances).

Motion to accept the Finance & Personnel Report was made Mr. Brennan and seconded by Mr. Glenn. 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:

- 2017 Budget Schedule
- Update on the police vehicle
- PA DEP 904 – Municipal Recycling Performance Grant was submitted last month
- Fireworks display scheduled for Saturday, July 1, 2017

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

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

Solicitor's Report (Ernest Angelos, ESQ)

No report this month.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

- 10/19/2016 @ ALL DAY – Yard Waste Collection (Borough Wide)
- 10/19/2016 @ 7:30 PM – Historic Commission (BH)
- 10/24/2016 @ 7:00 PM – Trash & Recycling Committee (BH)
- 10/26/2016 @ 7:00 PM – Board of Health (BH)

- 10/26/2016 @ 7:00 PM – Planning Commission (BH)
- 10/27/2016 @ 7:00 PM – H.A.R.B. (BH)
- 11/01/2016 @ 7:00 PM – Council Workshop Meeting (BH)

Public Comment

Joseph Dietzman, 5 Baldwin Avenue

Mr. Dietzman requested the installation of a SNOW EMERGENCY sign along Baldwin Avenue. Council will review all SNOW EMERGENCY routes and install any missing signs accordingly.

Steve Valerio, 231 Henderson Road

Mr. Valerio expressed disappointment that Ridley Park did not enter a float in the 2016 Homecoming Parade at Ridley High School.

Sandi Hess, 317 Burke Avenue

Ms. Hess requested consideration to pave Hinkson Boulevard during under the next year's Road Program.

Mike Dougherty, 315 Burke Avenue

Mr. Dougherty expressed his aversion to the Borough's policy of replacing curb and sidewalk at the time of sale for properties in the Borough. He believes that the practice causes a financial hardship. The Borough responded that only broken, cracked, faulted or deteriorated concrete is required to be replaced.

Susan McAtee, 18 Partridge Avenue

Ms. McAtee congratulated Officer Byrne on his appointment.

Action Items

- **Motion:** to approve the accounts payable from the period beginning 09/01/2016 through 09/30/2016 in the amount of \$549,377.42. The motion was made by President Berger and seconded by Mr. Brennan. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.
- **Motion:** To approve the sale of the 2005 Dodge Durango (VIN: 1D4HB38N55F578973) at a Municibid price \$1,300.00. The motion was made by President Berger and seconded by Ms. Endriss-Dalessio. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.
- **Motion:** To approve the sale of the 2009 Dodge Charger (VIN: 2B3KA43T79H642146) at a Municibid price \$2,825.00. The motion was made by

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President Berger and seconded by Ms. Endriss-Dalessio. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

▪ **Motion:** to appointment Sue McAtee to H.A.R.B. The motion was made by Mr. Broadhurst and seconded by Mr. Brennan. With no questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

No new business.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Glenn and seconded by Mr. Broadhurst. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully prepared by:

William Stewart
Borough Manager
12/18/2016

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