



Ridley Park Borough Council
Workshop Council Meeting
January 5th, 2021

Welcome

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Councilor Michelle Stock Mattus- Present
Councilor Dane Collins- Present
Councilor Richard Guerra - Present
Councilor William Kaelin - Present
Councilor Michael McGinley - Present
Council Vice-President Susan Brochet - Present
Mayor Hank Eberle - Present
Council President Michele Endriss-Dalessio - Present

Mayor's Report:

Welcome everyone to 2021 and looking forward to a year of hope. Hoping the vacancies begin to roll out. Mayor is working on and hoping to present his annual address at the regular council meeting.

Committee Reports

Planning and Zoning (Councilor Susan Brochet)

- Planning Commission- No Report
- Zoning Hearing Board - No Report
- Code Enforcement Will have normal report
- Main Streets of Ridley Park- No report

Communications (Councilor Dane Collins)

- Telecommunications Advisory Board-
 - o Has not been meeting but will be starting up in the spring.
 - o Has a meeting set with Ernie to discuss the agreement for Verizon
- Cable TV
- Barnstormers
- Seniors Groups

Community Affairs (Councilor Michael McGinley)

- Trash and Recycling -

- Tree collection will be Saturday
- School Board
 - Kids are back on a hybrid schedule. Will have more at the regular Council Meeting
- CDCA-
 - No update

Public Relations (Councilor Michelle Stock Mattus)

- Library Board-
 - Will have normal report
- Historical Commission-
 - No active commission. Hoping that anyone that is interested reaches out to Borough Manager to join.
- H.A.R.B. Committee-
 - No applications. Keystone training and virtual conference being offered for anyone that is interested. Reach out to Borough manager for more information.

Finance & Personnel (Councilor Bill Kaelin)

- Finance-
 - Meeting later this month and cash and budget for actual for regular meeting
- Grants
- Personnel

Parks & Properties (Council Richard Guerra)

- Highway Department-
 - Snow clearing went well for the last storm.
 - There was a truck fire on December 18th. Working with our insurance company to get a new truck in order.

Mayor Eberle described a thank you they recede for the clean up.

- Shade Tree Committee
- Recreation Board- Did not meet

Public Safety (Councilor Michele Endriss-Dalessio)

- Police Department Report- Will have normal reports.
- Fire Department Report
- Board of Health
- Emergency Management
- Civil Service

Manager Report

- Fee Schedule
 - Working to update for the Borough in 2021
- 2021 Calendar
 - In production and hope to have out for February

Public Comment

Ms Dalessio, what is preventing residents from speaking at these meetings for 5 minutes like regular in person meetings?

2. Mr Kaelin, what is the balance in the Boroughs Fund Balance as of Dec 31 or whatever date that you have?

3. Ms Dalessio, what are the plans this year for the dredging of the Lake?

4. Mr Tutek, DELCORA? EMPloyment agreement? Both on agenda.

Eileen Somers 07:26 PM

E. Somers- 21 W Hinckley: To whom does the social media apply? Can you give any specifics about the draft policy?

Your Name 07:27 PM

Paul Mattus 106 POplar

has there been thought of the fire marshall being allowed to levy fees

I know its been discussed in the past to 'give teeth' to the role

and this would be a good time as they find violations

Yes, aside from the fire dept reimbursements the fire marshall could void habign to get building official invovled and drive additional revenue with fines on the spot that could be enforcable by MDJ

Mr Kaelin, not Cash balance, asking about the Fund Balance. Where the 100k was taken to balance this years budget.

What is the purpose of the social media policy? Mike Gale 51 Collier Circle

Bingo - maybe make the FM a dep code eforcer or vice versa

Your Name 07:32 PM

because they have their own specific roles that sometimes DONT overlap

Action Items

-Adoption of Resolution 2021-1, Act 537 Plan Update, DELCORA/AQUA system.

Michelle Endirss Dalessio

Michelle Stock Mattus

Vote: 6/0/1 abstention Kaelin

Old Business

New Business

William Kaelin: Announced that this is his last meeting to council. Moving into a new community. Appreciated the help over the last three years on council. Wanted to thank a lot of people who done for him. Spoke to Dane and Rich all of their hard work. Looking forward to a new future.

Mayor thanked for all of his hard work over the year.

Motion to accept William Kaelin resignation from Ridley Park Borough Council
Michelle Stock Mattus
Sue Brochet
Vote 7/0

Michelle Endirss Dalessio: Thanked and said he will be missed for council over the last few years. We will be seeking applicants. Please have a resume and cover letter submitted to Borough Manager.

New Business:

Dane Collisn Spoke on the steps that would be needed in order to appoint a Borough Treasurer. Thinks it may be the way to go for Borough to help cut costs moving forward. Would like to have further discussion with the Finance Committee and Borough Manager.

William Kalein: Spoke on what the account does now and what benefit the Borough would receive for having an internal treasurer.

Richard Guerra: Talking about the Jr. Councilor program. Was something we had in the past and would like to implement again.

Hank: Very supportive of the program

Adjourn

Motion: Michelle Endriss Dalessio
Second Michale McGinley
Vote 7/0

Respectfully Submitted
Richard Tutak, Jr.
Borough Manager