



Ridley Park Borough Council
Workshop Meeting
October 2nd, 2018

Welcome

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Councilor Jared Brennan- Absent

Councilor Dane Collins- Present

Councilor Mike Gale- Present

Councilor William Kaelin- Present

Councilor Susan McAtee- Present

Council Vice-President Michele Endriss-Dalessio- Present

Mayor Hank Eberle- Absent

Council President Jim Glenn- Present

Mayor's Report

Committee Reports

Planning and Zoning (Councilor Susan McAtee)

- Planning Commission
 - o Planning Commission meet and will have a recommendation for Council regular meeting to approve Church's auto project.
- Zoning Hearing Board
 - o No Report
- Code Enforcement
 - o Will have report for Council regular meeting.
- Recreation Board
 - o The Rec Board will be hosting the Christmas Light event this year. There will be more information to follow.
 - o Working on finishing TCF trail around the lake. Hope to be done before the end of the year.

Public Safety (Councilor Michele Endriss-Dalessio)

- Police Department Report
 - o Will have monthly report
- Fire Department Report

- Will have monthly report
- Board of Health
 - Met this month to discuss positive detection of West Nile Virus in mosquito in the area.
 - Reminder to residents it is Flu season is upon us and that you should get your Flu shot.
- Emergency Management
 - Will be meeting shortly to prepare for the upcoming winter season

Communications (Councilor Dane Collins)

- Telecommunications Advisory Board
 - Will be meeting this month and will have a report for the regular council meeting
- Cable TV
 - Will provide an update for the regular council meeting.
- Barnstormers
 - Will provide an update for the regular council meeting.
- Seniors Groups
 - Will provide an update for the regular council meeting.

Community Affairs (Councilor Mike Gale)

- Trash and Recycling
 - Working to get a grant submitted to PECO For dog waste stations across the parks.
 - Yard waste will be collected on the first and third Wednesday of October. After October it will go to once a month on the third Wednesday.
- School Board
 - The Library was awarded a grant for one of their programs, "Reading to the Animals" . This grant was awarded from the School Board to the Ridley Park Library.
 - Will provide an update for the regular council meeting.

Public Relations (Councilor Jared Brennan) (No Report)

- Library Board
- Historical Commission
- H.A.R.B. Committee

Finance & Personnel (Councilor Bill Kaelin)

- Finance
 - Budget is on going and working to have a preliminary budget prepared for the Council regular meeting.
 - Working to get information to TD and Republic for banking needs. Still looking at the possibility to change banking for the new year.

- A Report from Keystone Collection was shared with Council to provide more information of what an Earned Income Tax could generate in revenue for the Borough.
- Provided the description of what a tax would be for residents of the Borough and those who just work in the Borough. Gave some information on what would need to be done in the next several weeks to move forward.
- Discussed the future structure needs the Borough will need over the next several years and how that will impact the budget for 2019.
- CDCA
 - Will provide an update for the regular council meeting.

Parks & Properties (Council President Jim Glenn)

- Highway Department
 - Spraying is one going for mosquitos in the Borough. Should last a few more weeks and will be done for the season.
- Personnel
 - There is a vacancy on the planning commission and will be accepting letters to fill that position.
- Shade Tree Committee
 - No Update

Manager Report

The Borough Manger requested any budgetary need for 2019 to be brought to his attention as soon as possible, so they can be considered for next year.

Working to update the website to provide updated information to the residents. Please check website and TV for concerns or please call borough hall.

Asked for council to please review and sign all purchase orders for the departments that they oversee to ensure the information is getting several sets of eyes on it.

Public Comment

Sandy Hess 314 Burke

What will be the total number collected from an Earned Income Tax? Councilor Kaelin provide that it can generate up to a million dollars of revenue if it is levied on residents and employees.

Mike Dougherty 315 Burke

Made a comment about keeping code on residents in order to get their grass cut. Also had a question about those who have been tasked to do the County Reassessment for 2021. Wanted to see if they were allowed inside of the house. Council reminded residents that they are not allowed in the house and that they will be identified with jackets that have "TYLER" on the back. They will also be carrying a County of Delaware ID Card.

Dan Broadhurst 214 Park

Wanted to know what money would be generated for just non-residents? Councilor Kaelin mentioned that this number is not in the report and do not know what that would generate. Asked a few questions about the procedure on how this would it be passed?

Andy Furman 314 Pomeroy

When will the preliminary budget be prepared to review and compare it to adding an EIT. Councilor Kaelin stated working to have this for November workshop meeting. Is this information going to be shared with the residents in order for them to get informed?

Action Items

- **Approve Certificate of Appropriateness for 204 and 206 Russell Street**

Motion: Jim Glenn

Second: Dane Collins

Vote: 6/0

Old Business

Councilor Gale had some questions about what the new assessment will be for Taylor Hospital is now around 167,000 and was upward at one point of 200,000. Wanted to see if there was an update. Will have a follow up with the Solicitor.

New Business

Fire Company will have their open house on October 13th from 1-4PM. Please stop by for fire prevention information.

Adjourn

Motion: Sue McAtee

Second: William Kaelin

Vote 6/0