



Ridley Park Borough Council
Regular Council Meeting
November 17th , 2020

Welcome

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

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

Approve Meeting Minutes for October 20th Council Meeting Minutes

Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus

Second: Michael McGinley

Vote 6/0

Mayor's Report

Spoke on the Corona Virus and the importance of residents to be safe. Provided some options on how to stay safe during the upcoming holidays. Understands people want to see each other but it may be difficult this year..

Mayor Eberle provided some Ridley Park History with some old ordinances that prevented people from grazing cattle in the parks and swimming in the lake.

Michelle Endriss Dalessio stated that we are cleaning and sanitizing our buildings in order to keep employees safe.

Committee Reports

Planning and Zoning (Councilor Susan Brochet)

- Planning Commission-
 - o No Report
- Zoning Hearing Board-
 - o Had a meeting on Oct 28th and on 105 Morton waiting on final decision to be shared from Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor.

- Code Enforcement-
 - o Report Attached
- Main Streets of Ridley Park-
 - o No report at this time

Motion: Michael McGinley

Second: Richard Guerra

Michelle Stock Mattus: Asked why the permit numbers are done this month and is there anything that is causing this?

Sue Brochet provide that at this moment courts are closed, and we are waiting to file fines once they are open.

Vote 6/0

Communications (Councilor Dane Collins)

- Telecommunications Advisory Board
 - o Has not had a meeting but they will be reviewing the Verizon agreement for approval.
- Cable TV
 - o Will have an updated number for this equipment in the 2021 budget.
- Barnstormers
 - o No update
- Seniors Groups
 - o No update

Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus

Second: William Kaelin

Vote 6/0

Community Affairs (Councilor Michael McGinley)

- Trash and Recycling
 - o Spoke on the trash bid and that Borough will be seeking a new bid for the 2021 contract.
- School Board
 - o No report at this time but will have an update form their next meeting
- CDCA
 - o Noting to report will have update next month once the budget it finalized

Motion: RG

Second: WK

6/0

Michelle Stock Mattus asked for the cost of the CDCA and if their budget finished? Looking for an updated on how it will impact our budget. Also had a question on the school and if there are still in person or virtual.

Public Relations (Councilor Michelle Stock Mattus)

- Library Board-
 - o Report attached
- Historical Commission-
 - o No report
- H.A.R.B. Committee-

- Report attached
- Number of approvals for Council this evening

Motion: Michael McGinley

Second: Richard Guerra

Finance & Personnel (Councilor Bill Kaelin)

- Finance-
 - Provided bank balance and discussed where the borough stands finally going into the end of the year.
 - Saw a large number of permit fees come in during October to see increase balance.
 - Provided the budget update for 2021
 - Budget is in the hands of all of Council for review and will be approved this evening as preliminary
 - There is no tax increase but you will see a decrease in millage due to the county reassessment.
- Grants
- Personnel

Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote 7/0

Sue Brochet: Thanked Bill for all of this time to explain the budget

Dane Collins: Thanked Bill for the work on the budget. the budge. Asked about the addiotnal revenue that has come in over the last few weeks.

Michelle Endriss Dalessio: Thanked finance and committee for all of their work during this difficult budget year.

Parks & Properties (Council Richard Guerra)

- Highway Department
 - Leaf collection is in full swing
 - Forman asked to only put leaves in the pile. Do not add anything else to the piles including branches or other yard debris.
 - Road resurfacing happening now the engineer may be able to provide more of an update.
- Shade Tree Committee
- Recreation Board
 - Did get a quote to replace the basketball courts will be looking into other options in order to get the courts reinstalled.

Motion: Michael McGinley

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote 7/0

MSM asked for a court to go back up at ABC field?

Richard Guerra stated will be working to put up temporary court

Vote 7/0

Public Safety (Councilor Michele Endriss-Dalessio)

- Police Department Report
 - Report attached

- Send out condolences to a crossing guard that passed away
- Fire Department Report
 - No report
- Board of Health
 - Looking to meet in December. Will have update at that time
- Emergency Management
 - Will be providing updates as we receive them. Working to keep our town open and safe for all residents and employees.
- Civil Service
 - No update

Motion: Sue Brochet

Second: Michelle Endirss Dalessio

Vote 7/0

Manager Report

Provided update on the Borough Hall office. Will be working to provide services electronically in order to limit in person contact.

All permits can be submitted and emailed now via our website.

On the agenda there is the final payment for the Hillside Road project. Had a walk thru with the Engineer and the project is nearing completion.

Engineer Report

Report attached

Solicitor Report

No Report

Public Comment

Andy Furman 08:00 PM

Stop sign, nothing proposed st Tasker and Park? Doesn't make sense.

Mike Gale 08:00 PM

Mike Gale

51 Collier Circle

I object to the approval of the Oct 20, 2020 Minutes.

The minutes are not complete.

Under Public comment there is no mention of these five issues that I addressed during the public comment on 10/20/2020:

Cost to Borough (if any) to represent Code Enforcement in ZHB appeal.

Trash and recycling bid clarification.

Main-in ballot box location

Recreation Park Basketball backboards

County dump tipping fees

I think the minutes are an important public record and should be as fair and accurate as possible

I request that the minutes be revised and re-approved at the next meeting.

The street sign at the corner of Hetzel Road and Collier Circle (closest to Chester Pike) now reads Collier Road instead of Collier Circle.

I know some months ago it was damaged and replaced and I believe at that time it was correct.

Can this be fixed?

Is there a 2021 budget item for the E-Waste event for next year?

Regarding the Sellers Avenue bridge replacement project, on 10/15/2020 the PennDot website lists

Danny Caldwell 08:01 PM
Daniel Caldwell - 407 E Rodgers St.

I have a question in regards to our fire department service model moving into the future.

The street sign at the corner of Hetzel Road and Collier Circle (closest to Chester Pike) now reads Collier Road instead of Collier Circle.
I know some months ago it was damaged and replaced and I believe at that time it was correct.
Can this be fixed?

Andy Furman 08:01 PM
Why can't you answer now? No comment ftt try on Council? Please explain why no sign at this intet

Andy Furman 08:01 PM
Why can't you answer now? No comment ftt try on Council? Please explain why no sign at this intet

Andy Furman 08:02 PM
At the intersection of Tasker and Park

Mike Gale 08:02 PM
Regarding the Sellers Avenue bridge replacement project, on 10/15/2020 the PennDot website listed the Let Date for this project as 7/15/2021 and the Notice to Proceed Date as 9/13/2021. Today the website lists the Let Date as 1/13/2022 and the Notice to Proceed Date as 3/14/2022. This means construction will not start until 2022.
What is the reason for this delay?

My name is Scot Miller and I live at 410 Tome Street. I am responding to an issue brought up at the last meeting on Oct 20th by Mr Pin of 409 North Swarthmore Avenue and Mr Wolverton of 411 North Swarthmore Avenue regarding their perception that they own the unnamed road behind our houses between Swarthmore Avenue and Tome Street. after research according to list by the government agencies of Delaware County and the state of Pennsylvania list , it is confirmed the unnamed road is a right of way. And as a RIGHT of WAY it means that vehicles are to be given free and unimpeded access to travel this road.

Andy Furman 08:04 PM
On Tasker at Park, is what I'm referring to. A stop sign in only one direction makes no sense.

Scot 08:05 PM
The thing that was not mentioned was that Mr. Pin parks his commercial truck on this road which blocks free travel of the trash trucks. Also, damage was done to our bushes due to the

trash trucks and other large vehicles trying to go around his large commercial truck. This has been an on and off issue since the summer of 2019

Andy Furman 08:05 PM
Freedom of Speech!!! Not in Ridley Park??

Mike Gale 08:05 PM
Has the Borough requested compensation from the County in regarding COVID19 costs and PPE costs?

Mike Gale 08:06 PM
I would like to ask a question of Council.
I ask that a Councilor during New Business consider making a motion to authorize the Borough Manager to publish a copy of the preliminary 2021 budget on the Ridley Park Borough website.

Andy Furman 08:06 PM
What is the reason for no stop sign on Tasker at O point ark

Andy Furman 08:07 PM
At Park
Action Items

-Motion to approve Accounts Payable for October in the amount of \$ 110,900.01
Motion: William Kaelin
Second: Dane Collins
Vote 7/0

- Motion to approve release of escrow funds for 123 Rosemont Ave per engineer and solicitor review
Motion: Michelle Endirss Dalessio
Second: Michelle Stock Mattus
Vote 7/0

- Motion to approve 2021 Preliminary Budget
Motion: William Kaelin
Second: Michael McGinley
Vote 7/0

- Motion to approve payment to C. Abanizzo in the amount of \$148,215.83
Motion: Michelle Endriss Dalessio
Second: Sue Brochet
Vote 7/0

-Motion to approve HARB application for 208 Penn Street under the recommendation of HARB
Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus
Second: Richard Guerra
-Motion to approve HARB application for 500 Morton Ave under the recommendation of HARB
Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus
Second: Sue Brochet

-Motion to approve HARB application for 209 Cresswell Street under the recommendation of HARB

Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote 7/0

-Motion to approve HARB application for 12 Rosemont Ave under the recommendation of HARB

Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote 7/0

-Motion to reject 2021-2023 Trash and Recycling bids and authorize Borough Manager to seek new bidders

Motion: Michael McGinley

Second: Dane Collins

Vote 7/0

Old Business

New Business

Council asked for Borough manger to look into adding the recorded meetings to the website for public view.

Adjourn

Motion: Richard Guerra

Second: William Kaelin

Vote 7/0

Respectfully Submitted

Richard Tutak, Jr.

Borough Manger