



Ridley Park Borough Council  
Regular Session  
May 17, 2017

**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**

Council President Bob Berger led the 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 Jim Glenn - Present  
Council Vice President Samantha Snow – present  
Mayor Hank Eberle – Present  
Council President Bob Berger – Present

**Approval of Previous Minutes**

**Motion:** to approve the minutes for the Council Regular Meeting held April 2017. Motion to accept the previous minutes made by Mr. Brennan and second by Mr. Glenn. Samantha Snow Abstained. With no other questions or comments from Council motion passed.

**Motion:** to approve the minutes from April 4, 2017 Workshop Meeting. Motion to accept the previous minutes made by Mr. Brennan and second by Mr. Glenn. With no other questions or comments from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

**Mayor's Report (Honorable Hank Eberle)**

Mayor reported on The Lake cleaning and was the most attended he can remember, and thank you to all the volunteers. Special Thanks to John Hosbach for his knowledge in landscaping and planting. Mayor thanked all the volunteers for Sellers Ave Plantings and downtown area. Special note for Arbor day we are named 14<sup>th</sup> year as "Tree City". Mayor Eberle provided comments on the heroin and opioids drug epidemic and heron alert program that Chief Frazier is diligently work on. The Library Book and Bake sale brought in \$1,600. After all the expenses were paid. Great job Maryellen!

Memorial Day Ceremony will be the 29<sup>th</sup> and guest speaker Rev. Michael Smith, the Mayor also thanks the seniors for they will be handing out refreshments at Veterans Park.

Council President Bob Berger motioned to accept the Mayor's report, Mrs. Snow and second by Mr. Glenn. With no questions or comments from Council the motion passed unanimously.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Planning and Zoning (Councilor Mike Gale)**

Planning Commission – We did not meet there is no new business.

Zoning Board- Will be meeting May 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm for a property on 525 E Hinkley Ave for a variance is for the side yard setback. It has been well advertised and will also be going through the annual reorganization then as well.

Code Enforcement – Mr. Gale read report. Please see attached report.

We had the first volunteering meeting on April 25<sup>th</sup> -12 people showed up and next Tuesday May 23<sup>rd</sup> will be cleaning the trash and litter at the underpass and had permission by Amtrak.

Motion to accept Planning and Zoning by Mr. Glenn and second by Mr. Broadhurst.

Per Mr. Brennan we can cut weeds any all they ask is we stay clear of the tracks. President Berger asked why don't we have SEPTA do it per Mr. Brennan well they don't do it, Mrs. Dalessio has seen them do it and maybe not this year but in the past. Per Mr. Gale wants just between the street and sidewalk area just so people can walk by.

With no other questions from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Public Safety (Councilor Jim Glenn)**

Fire: No monthly report.

Police: See attached monthly report.

Chief Frazier wanted to mention the training the officers have been going through.

Officer Powley attended Reginal conference on drug detection on the change of culture of drugs in our area. A great school up in King of Prussia. Special thank you to Councilwomen Dalessio for bring it to Chief's attention.

Officer D' Ambrosio went to crisis intervention training. High Schizophrenia/bipolar. They have then wear MP head phones and see what it like to be one so they can understand them better and how to treat the situation.

Officers attended Neuman University on a class on drug epidemic in Delaware County. The were trained on the how to investigate but, the investigation on what to do after the death how to take it one step further.

Chief stated that they have opened our Heron Alert program to the Interboro School's and he will be

Vacation Safety check- if going on vacation call set up for a safety check of your home. If you are email the station or call between 9-5 PM, the Ladies will take all your information.

Board of Health – Mosquito spraying is taking place every Wednesday night through October. Story on Facebook going around that the spraying is the reason for the fish kill. Per Mr. Glenn this is not the case it was nutrients going into the lake and we have other townships that water ends up in the lake. Most of Ridley Park run off's dumps into Stony creek. He pulled the report from the DEP to confirm the cause. We have had tested and found West Nile and we have bated traps around the lake for that. The Department of Agriculture test and oversee what we use and they said we are good in what we use. The bees are safe as well we spray at night the bees are settled in and the spray only last for 20 min. Our Guys are professionals that do the spraying that are license and certified. At the end of each month and year we report

on what we used and how much. Mr. Glenn is confident and ensure we are safe and wouldn't kill the fish or Bee's. The Guys are doing a great job.

Motion to accept Public Safety by Mrs. Dalessio and second by Mr. Broadhurst.

Questions from Council, Mr. Broadhurst to the Chief about Community service and using them. Chief Frazier said he will take the information they have and email them all the details.

Next question was Mr. Brennan about the training of Officers and Chief cleared that up 70 % of the 10 full-time officers are trained.

With no other questions from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Communications (Councilor Jared Brennan)**

Telecommunications –The automatic playback is not working properly. He has a company they reached out to SENERO in Malvern and waiting for a reply.

Barnstormers – 2017-2018 schedule is now available on their website. Also, the Auditions for the up and coming plays will be on the web site.

Barnstormers also, are still having Zumba Classes on Saturday Morning all proceeds support community theaters  
Seniors Groups- Thursday June 22<sup>nd</sup> hosted by Glenn Riddle a presentation on Assisted Living. At Veterans Park the Seniors will be serving refreshment and it will be rain or shine.

Motion to accept Communications by Mr. Broadhurst and second by Jim Glenn.

With no other questions from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Community Resources (Vice President Samantha Snow)**

Recreation Board – hosting the Borough wide yard sale maps will be giving out at the Borough Hall between 8-9 am on Saturday.

Recycling/Trash –Yard Waste collection is the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday. If any issue with the Trash pickup, Please call the borough Hall and as well you can call the trash company and let them know the issue. The Borough hosted the first Electronic pick for TV and Computers, great success with very little line waiting. Thanks to Danielle Staccone for all her assistance it was very well Organized.

School Board – no increase in school taxes.

Motion to accept Communications by Mr. Brennan and second by Mr. Glenn.

Mr. Glenn commented about the fourth of July fireworks will be on July 1<sup>st</sup> this year.

Mr. Brennan was surprised that Election day no one put out trash thinking no collection. Mrs. Snow said they are picking except main Holidays.

With no other questions from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Parks and Property (Councilor Shellie Endriss—Dalessio)**

Highway Department –is grass cutting and Mosquito spraying.

The Business Association- has not met yet but Mrs. Dalessio will get back to us on a date.

Athletic club- baseball and softball season has started so, please be careful when driving around the parks, a lot of little children will be running around.

Shade Tree- Did not meet this month due to a lot of scheduling issue. Arbor went well and planted a lot of tree's.

Motion to accept Public Relations by Mr. Glenn and second by Mr. Broadhurst.

Jared Brennan ask about the hiring of Part Time help with the grass cutting? Mrs. Dalessio they are in the process of hiring some Part timers.

With no other questions from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Public Relations (Councilor Dan Broadhurst)**

HARB Committee- no new business next meeting May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Historical Commission – did not meet this month.

Library Board – Report read attached. Will be filling in part time position.

Historical Society – no meeting.

SORA Meeting to be announced to be Wednesday June 14<sup>th</sup> here at the borough Hall at 7:00PM.

Motion to accept Public Relations by Mr. Glenn and second By Mrs. Snow.

With no other questions from Council, the motion passed unanimously

### **Finance and Personnel (President Berger)**

Main Streets - Next meeting May 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at Casey's. June 1<sup>st</sup> will be the Farmers Market and signs will be going up soon. Always looking for volunteers.

CDCA – 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter payment is made this month.

Grants – CDBG Bonnes Park improvements a new sign will be going up and dedication will be in two weeks.

Personnel – Borough will be announced next meeting.

Finance – From the Audit the Borough has \$2,513,497.00 in the General fund. Our account balance in our and Capitol reserve is \$148, 223,00 and Liquid fuels is \$171,000,00.

Motion to accept Finance and Personnel by Mrs. Snow and second by Jim Glenn.

Mr. Brennan asked about the grant for Bonnes Park we will get that money back? Per President Berger the leaf machine we purchased.

Mr. Broadhurst talked about the 1 million write off and Taylor Hospital tax appeal.

With no other questions from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Administrative Reports**

Solicitor – absent had another engagement to attend.

Engineer – Please see report.

Motion to accept Mrs. Snow and second by Mr. Glenn.

With no other questions from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Public Comment**

Andy Furman- 419 Pomeroy St. Thanked the officers for a great job and team work between Ridley Township and Ridley Park. Asking about the Aqua Road Program and what happens when Aqua stops paving. Per President Berger we have Aqua and street paving budgeted.

Mike Taddel- 456? Hillside road. He was a volunteer at the Lake clean up wants to know if the Silt Basin is inspected regularly and is a plan to maintain? Second question The Hillside road project. Residence need to be kept in the loop and Is there a time limit? If we don't have it done by a certain time will we lose the grant?  
President Berger we are at the mercy for the project with DEP and Pendot. Per our engineer, Mr. Catania this can be on going thinking 2018.

Sandy Hess- 317 Burke ave She would like to know when Hinkson ave will be paved? Per Mr. Catania he'll look into it and let Council know when.

### **Action Items**

**\*Motion:** to approve the accounts payable from the period beginning in the amount of \$381,479.28. The motion was made by President Berger and second by Mr. Glenn. Mr. Brennan wanted to know why so High? And it's due to the 2<sup>nd</sup> payment of the CDCA. With no other questions from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

**\*Motion:** to approve a new agreement for renting the Borough Hall.

With no other questions from Council, the motion passed 6 to 1 Mr. Brennan was not comfortable with the contract.

### **Old Business**

Mr. Glenn said for the lake cleanup. He spoke to the CRC and they said that Ridley Park always have the great turn out.

Mr. Broadhurst for the record for Barbara about the tape & in the paper. He didn't have it and wanted that clarified. Council Back and forth please see DVD for the conversation.

Mr. Brennan discussed the damage to the wall at Hetzel Park. Council discussed at length please see DVD for the conversation.

### **New Business**

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Berger second by Mr. Glenn. With no other questions from Council, the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned