

# Ridley Park Borough Council Regular Council Meeting May 19th, 2020

Welcome Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call

Councilor Michelle Stock Mattus

Councilor Dane Collins

Councilor Richard Guerra

Councilor William Kaelin

Councilor Michael McGinley

Council Vice-President Susan Brochet

Mayor Hank Eberle

Council President Michele Endriss-Dalessio

Approve Meeting Minutes for April 21st 2020 Council Meeting

Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote 7/0

### Mayor's Report

Spoke on COVID-19 and the concerns it is having an impact on small business in our community. Announced that there will not be a Memorial Day event this year and hopes to have one in the near future. Provided some Ridley Park History on the founding of the Borough. Information came from the Ridley Park 100 year anniversary book. Read a letter from from resident thanking the Borough for all of their great work during this time.

Motion: Michele Stock Mattus

Second: Dane Collins

Vote 7/0

#### **Committee Reports**

### Planning and Zoning (Councilor Susan Brochet)

- Planning Commission- Did not meet
- Zoning Hearing Board- Did not meet
- Code Enforcement- Report attached
- Main Streets of Ridley Park

Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus

Second: Dane Collins

Michelle Stock Mattus: thanked Commonwealth Code for the detailed report to help provide some information to keep property owners protected.

Vote: 7/0

## **Communications (Councilor Dane Collins)**

- Telecommunications Advisory Board-
  - The meet virtual and went over the numbers. Spoke to the solicitor to forward the documents over to Verizon to help update franchise agreement.

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- o The DCED Agreement for Borough Hall roof is signed for an extension
- Cable TV
- Barnstormers
- Seniors Groups
  - o Are not meeting currently.
  - Some of the Councilors have been making phone calls to Seniors in the community. This is was a successful program

Motion: Michael McGinley Second: Michelle Stock Mattus

Vote 7/0

## **Community Affairs (Councilor Michael McGinley)**

- Trash and Recycling
  - The Borough is still having regular trash and recycling collection. Working with the supervisor if there are any issues. Please report any to Borough Hall
- School Board
  - The School Board made headlines with possible tax hike. Will keep an eye on this and provide information.
- CDCA
  - o Meeting virtual. All projects are back on track.

Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote 7/0

### **Public Relations (Councilor Michelle Stock Mattus)**

- Library Board
  - Report attached
  - Spoke about her nephew being a viewer at tonight's meeting learning a little bit of civics lesson.
- Historical Commission
- H.A.R.B. Committee
  - Nothing to report will be meeting this month if there are any projects

Motion:SB SecondDC

Vote 6/0 (Power loss during the Zoom meeting)

### Finance & Personnel (Councilor Bill Kaelin)

- Finance

- Provided the bank balance
- o The DCED Audit report is finished and will be submitted soon
- o Finance committee plans on meeting at the beginning of the month
- Grants
  - Property rent rebate has started early for seniors. Please keep an eye out for applications
- Personnel

Motion: Michael McGinley Second: Michelle Stock Mattus

Vote 7/0

### Parks & Properties (Council Richard Guerra)

- Highway Department
  - o Still working on grass season. Still in two person teams. Thanked for all of the work with the small team that we have.
- Shade Tree Committee
- Recreation Board
  - o Playground is cancelled for this year. Looking forward to having one next year.

Motion: Sue Brochet Second: Dane Collins

Vote: 7/0

## **Public Safety (Councilor Michele Endriss-Dalessio)**

- Police Department Report
  - Report attached
- Fire Department Report
- Board of Health
  - o No major issues, has been providing the information related to COVID-19
- Emergency Management
  - o Have been meeting bi weekly will be moving to once a week
- Civil Service

Hoping to see an opening of the Downtown Business district

Motion: Michelle McGinley

Second: Sue Brochet

Currently not enforcing the parking meters.

Working on ways to accommodate the events in the future and see new projects.

Vote 7/0

### **Manager Report**

The Borough is still closed. Will be working to put plans together to reopen soon.

We are cleaning all buildings and cars for all employees.

Everyone has proper PPE and will keep providing as needed

Sellers Ave project is moving in the right direction and will hope to see work soon.

#### **Engineer Report**

Report Attached

### **Solicitor Report**

No Report

### **Public Comment**

### **Action Items**

-Motion to approve accounts payable for the month of April in the amount of \$99,072.52

Motion: William Kaelin Vote Mike McGinley

Vote: 7/0

-Motion to approve pay off of Tax Advance Note in the amount of \$505,746.85

Motion: William Kalien Second: Michael McGinley

Vote 7/0

Old Business New Business Adjourn

Motion: Michelle Endriss Dalessio

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote: 7/0

Respectfully Submitted Richard Tutak, Jr. Borough Manager