



Ridley Park Borough Council
Regular Council
July 20, 2021

Welcome

Roll Call

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

Motion to approve Council Minutes for June 15th, 2021

Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus

Second: Dane Collins

Vote 7/0

Mayor's Report

Spoke on Sgt. Nasella's accident on Chester Pike a few nights ago. Spoke on how he was notified about the accident from the Chief of Police. He is now at home and working with the Borough on his recovery and his status. Sending well wishes to him and his family along this long road to recovery.

July 3rd was a great event in our town for 2021. We had a very nice addition with the flag raising and singing of the national anthem. Thanked the Boy Scout and Kylie Bleacher for helping make this event great addition to the annual events. The Senior's held their annual luncheon and was a great event.

Barnstormers held their outdoor theater performance for *Annie Jr.* had a great turn out for the event and the production was great. Thanked the police and the fire department for all for all the help that evening. The Director Ethan McKalester for a great event and direction of the show.

Committee Reports

Planning and Zoning (Councilor Susan Brochet)

- Planning Commission
 - o Planning Commission did not meet for the month of July.
- Zoning Hearing Board-
 - o Zoning did not meet for the month of July
- Code Enforcement-
 - o Report attached
- Main Streets of Ridley Park-

July 3rd: Thanked all of Council the Borough Hall staff and Mike McGinley and Richard Guerra's Daughter for helping sell shirts

Motion: Len Pinto

Second: Michael McGinley

Dane Collins: How would the ticket book for tickets work on top of the current citations.

Richard Guerra: Would we need to approve for Workshop?

Michael McGinley: How will this work for going to court

Michelle Stock Mattus: Who would be issuing the code enforcement ticket?

Borough Manger will follow up with the Solicitor on this matter and provide an update to Council.

Vote 7/0

Communications (Councilor Len Pinto)

- Telecommunications Advisory Board-
 - o Verizon Agreement was sent to Telecommunication for Verizon for the review and approval.
- Cable TV
 - o Two additional bids for the cable agreements for and the disparity of the cost.
- Barnstormers
 - o The *Annie Jr.* performance was a huge success. Thanked Borough Manager, Police Department and Fire Department was very thankful for the event.
- Seniors Groups
 - o They are meeting on a regular basis in Borough Hall.
 - o Thanked Shirley Reguer for all of their help with the luncheon and judges for the Bike Parade
- Motion: Sue Brochet
- Second: Dane Collins
 - o Richard Guerra: Very happy to see the Barnstormers being involved in the events in the park and being involved.
 - o Michelle Endriss Dalessio: Was very happy to heart that the event was a success.
 - o Vote 7/0

Community Affairs (Councilor Michael McGinley)

- Trash and Recycling -
 - o JP Mascaro had a new driver, and they may not be able to finish the route. They are working to resolve the issues in town and that we are trying to correct any issues with collection.

- We are working to make sure all our collections are standard thru the Borough and other collection issues.
- School Board-
 - Enrollment is still open and have some. St. James and the RPPC. Both are very flexible with enrollment.
 - Pre-K enrollment is very important and RPPC has a great enrollment for these in Ridley Park. Please consider enrolling in these programs.
 - Yard Waste collection will be Wednesday July 21
- CDCA-
 - Nothing to report at this time bill is being paid for this Qtr..

Motion: Richard Guerra

Second: Len Pinto

Michelle Endriss Dalessio: RPPC is a great program and thankful for their programs.

Vote: 7/0

Public Relations (Councilor Michelle Stock Mattus)

- Library Board-
 - Report attached
- Historical Commission
 - Group is still working to get up and running.
- H.A.R.B. Committee-
 - There are two certificates of appropriateness are on the agenda for the approval.
 - 102 and 104 W Ridley contractor has been working with HARB for the last few months for the final plan. They are hoping to have some nice looking homes on W Ridley Ave.
 - There was some discussions on the HARB ordinance. Please contact the Borough before any work is done in the Borough.

Motion: Michael McGinley

Second: Richard Guerra

Vote: 7/0

Finance & Personnel (Councilor Dane Collins)

- Finance-
 - Report attached
- Grants
 - ARPA municipalities are going to be seeking more guidance on the spending.
- Personnel

Motion: Len Pinto

Second: Sue Brochet

Michael McGinley: How does the money need to spend?

Borough Manager and Solicitor are working on several options on how to spend the money.

Waiting on more guidance from the State.

Vote: 7/0

Parks & Properties (Council Richard Guerra)

- Highway Department-

- Working to keep the parks clean and cut during the summer.
- Crews are working on painting the cross walks, stop signs.
- There will be a motion to approve a new truck bed.
- Shade Tree Committee
 - No report
- Recreation Board
 - Did meet and had some discussion on the Victorian Fair. The event will be Sept. 11 at Ridley Lake. They are looking for vendors and community groups that would like to participate.

Motion: Michael McGinley

Second: Michelle Stock Mattus

Vote 7/0

Public Safety (Councilor Michele Endriss-Dalessio)

- Police Department Report-
 - Spoke Sgt. Nasella and his family please keep them in there prayers. Please keep the Sgt. Nasella in your prayers. Takes great pride in working for this town.
 - Received the Holcomb grant for community policing.
 - Passed the Juvenile Audit for the State and very proud of passing the audit and thanked the entire department.
 - Court is now open so we will see some responses now that court is open
 - Doing house checks.
 - Report attached
 - Speed bumps are out in the road and please make sure that they stay in the road.
- Fire Department Report
 - No report for this month
- Board of Health
 - On Summer Recess
- Emergency Management-
 - Has not meet
- Civil Service
 - Will be working on reorganizing in the

Motion: Sue Brochet

Second: Dane Collins

Mayor: Please call the office if you have any request for speed bumps to be placed somewhere.

Vote 7/0

Manager Report

Engineer Report

Report Attached

Solicitor Report

Asking for a settlement for the approval on the agreement for the approve.

Council has 30 days for appointment a tax collector.

Michael McGinley: Would this be the deputy's role to fill the role?

Dane Collins: Are we able to get assistance from an accounting firm. The School District will be who the bulk.

Len Pinto: Can we higher an accounting firm in lieu for the tax collector? Must be a elector in the community.

Michelle Stock Mattus: Would the tax collector be the one that hire the firm to collect taxes.

Would someone on council be willing to resign from council

Richard Guerra: Do we need to wait 30 days? We can hold a special meeting to appoint the tax collector.

Sue Brochet: Wanted to clarify that she was appointed portion to being on council.

Public Comment

Paul Mattus 106 Poplar Walk: Thanked Mike McGinley for the commonsense question regarding the deputy Tax Collector and their roll on council and unable to serve as Tax Collector at the same time. Do you know what the time would take to be certified for the tax collector? How long does it take to be qualified?

Mike Gale 51 Collier Circle: June 15th minutes. Are not accurate. Can the minutes change for the? Michelle Dalessio abstained and asked why she voted no. Vacancies on the Civil Service Commission: Why were they not made in a timely manner. Who took over which term? Is the Borough still operating under a state of emergency?

Eileen Sommer: 21 W Hinckley Ave. Concern on how the procedure for the appointment of the Civil Service Commission. Provided some legal background on the matter. Spoke on the Ethics of the appointment of the Civil Commission. Hope that the Borough is operating on the highest ethical standards. Spoke on Dan Dalessio and Mary Hopper cannot service for a political subdivision and the Civil Service Commission. Asked why there the same names being public to the websites and widely known and available. Ernie spoke to the state ethics commission and his response for the abstaining from the vote.

Nick Furman 7 E Ridley Ave: Has not received a signed and sealed copy of his Rec Board Oath. Copy of the Cable RFP and bids

Andy Furman 419 Pomeroy St.: Is there a deadline for letters of interest for Tax Collector. Is Certification is needed to be a tax collector?

Action Items

- Motion to approve Accounts Payable in the amount of: \$510,010.63

Motion: Dane Collins

Second: Michael McGinley

Vote 7/0

- Motion: to approve the settlement of the 2021 tax assessment appeal for the property located at 114 Kearney Place (Folio # 37-00-00978-08) at a value of \$365,000, as recommended by the solicitor

Motion: Michelle Endriss Dalessio

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote: 7/0

- Motion to approve block party permit 400 E Rodgers St for Krissy Ward for July 31st, 2021.

Motion: Michelle Endriss Dalessio

Second: Richard Guerra

- Motion to approve Certificate of Appropriateness for 219 Creswell under the recommendation of HARB

Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus

Second Len Pinto

Vote 7/0

- Motion to approve Certificate of Appropriateness for 102 and 104 W Ridley Ave under the recommendation of HARB

Motion: Michelle Stock Mattus

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote: 7/0

- Motion to approve Land Development for 102 and 104 W Ridley Ave under the recommendation of Delaware County and Ridley Park Planning Commissions

Motion: Sue Brochet

Second: Michelle Stock Mattus

Vote 7/0

- Motion to approve truck bed repairs for 2011 Ford F550 using Liquid Fuel Funds in the amount of \$12,125

Motion: Richard Guerra

Second: Michael McGinley

Vote 7/0

- Motion to release escrow funds for 310 Holland Street in the amount of \$7,559.73 pending final Use and Occupancy Inspection

Motion: Michelle Endriss Dalessio

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote 7/0

- Motion to release escrow funds for 206 Russell Street pending final inspection and review

Motion: Michelle Endriss Dalessio

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote 7/0

-Motion to accept the resignation of Rich Snyder for July 19th 2021

Motion Michelle Endriss Dalessio

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote 7/0

Old Business

New Business

Adjourn

Motion: Len Pinto

Second: Michelle Stock Mattus

Time 8:40PM

Respectfully Submitted
Richard Tutak, Jr,
Borough Manager