



Ridley Park Borough Council
Regular Council
September 21st 2021

Welcome

Roll Call

Councilor Michelle Stock Mattus- Absent
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
Junior Councilor Colin Walls- Present

Motion to approve Council Minutes for August 17th, 2021

Motion: Len Pinto

Second: Dane Collins

Vote 6/0

Mayor's Report

The Lake dredging is underway. It has been since 2013 that he has been addressing this project. Thanked Dane Collins, Borough Manager, and the Borough Engineer to help get this project done. On 9/11 there were two events, a memorial ceremony for 9/11 and the annual Victorian Fair occurred down at the lake. Thanked the Rec Board and Carol Dunn for all of their hard work for this event. Thanked Bill Christie and the entire department for their hard work on this day.

Committee Reports

Planning and Zoning (Councilor Susan Brochet)

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

- The Fall Festival will happen on October 10th. Please keep an eye out for flyers and sponsorship opportunities. Craft and food applications are out.
- Motion: Michael McGinley
- Second: Richard Guerra
- Vote: 6/0

Communications (Councilor Len Pinto)

- Telecommunications Advisory Board
 - Did not meet
- Cable TV
 - Franchise Fees are in for Comcast and RCN for August
- Barnstormers
 - The Little Shop of Horrors will be going up in October
- Seniors Groups
 - They are still meeting and having great turn outs.

Motion: Sue Brochet

Second: Dane Collins

Vote 6/0

Community Affairs (Councilor Michael McGinley)

- Trash and Recycling -
 - A letter has come out on behalf of JP Mascaro, and we are working to keep them holding to the contract
 - We are working to keep providing updates on misses and concerns of trash and collection.
- School Board-
 - Thank the school and the teachers for their hard work adjusting with the virus
 - Thanked the Police Department for their hard work to add some speed bumps to help deter the speeding around the school
- CDCA
 - Did not meet but are waiting for the final budget numbers for 2022

Motion: Sue Brochet

Second: Len Pinto

Vote 6/0

Len Pinto: Thanked Michael McGinley for his hard work and due diligence on the project and thanked him for all of this hard work on this matter.

Public Relations (Councilor Michelle Stock Mattus)

- Library Board-
 - Report Attached
- Historical Commission
 - Did not meet
- H.A.R.B. Committee-
 - There are no applications for review

Finance & Personnel (Councilor Dane Collins)

- Finance-
 - Provided a finance update. Attached
- Grants

- Personnel
 - o There is a current vacancy on the Director of the Library

Motion: Michael McGinley

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote 6/0

Parks & Properties (Council Richard Guerra)

- Highway Department-
 - o F550 is returned with the new bed for the trucks
 - o Leaf Season will be starting soon so please keep an eye out for this work
 - o Dredging is going on down at the lake
 - o There is work being done at Swarthmore and West Ridley Ave
- Shade Tree Committee
- Recreation Board
 - o Victorian Fair was on September 11th was a huge event and thank you to everyone that was a part of that day. Was a great turn out fo this event.

Motion: Michael McGinley

Second: Len Pinto

Michael McGinley: Thanked the Highway for their hard work over the weekend and their hard work.

Public Safety (Councilor Michele Endriss-Dalessio)

- Police Department Report-
 - o Report Attached
 - Thanked the Highway Department and the Fire Department for all of their Hard Work
 - Asking for the hiring of Eric Penera
 - Thanked the Police Association for their Hard Work.
 - Thanked Officer Quinlan and K9 Jagar and helped catch a suspect from a Pawn Shop Robbery
- Fire Department Report
 - o Report Attached
- Board of Health
 - o Will be meeting in person down in the community room
- Emergency Management-
- Civil Service
 - o Civil Service is going to be meeting this month
- Fall festival is October 10th.

Motion: Sue Brochet

Second: Michael McGinley

Vote 6/0

Junior Councilor Colin Walls

Bonfire will be October 6th at the Ridley High School and Homecoming will be October 9th and Community Day will follow.

Ridley Run will be October 30th

Manager Report

Lake Dredging will be occurring soon. Please be aware on increased activity down at the Lake. Borough Hall is open to the public but please be mindful of CDC guidelines or any guidelines in order to keep the staff safe. Delco Greenway Grants are on the agenda for approval but are submitted on behalf of the Borough. Lasty, ARAP funds have come in but waiting for more guidance on how to spend the funds.

Engineer Report

October

Provided Act 537 Report on the DELCORA Water treatment facility and future plans.

Len Pinto there are question on how do we provide a yes or no on the project.

Public comment is open to October 7th. Please look at the plan. All municipalities need to approve the agreement.

Sue Brochet: All the towns will need to approve this plan? Engineer agreed.

Dane Collins: How long will this tunnel be for the plan? Is there going to impacts into Ridley Questions were had over the timetable of the project looking to finish in 2028, when the contract with Philadelphia is finished.

Solicitor Report

Tax Folio to approve this would be an increase in the assessment was related to appeal. We are on the positive side of this appeal.

Public Comment

Mike Gale: Civil Service Commission will be meeting on the. Is there a need for the emergency vote for the part time officer?

Andy Furman 419 Pomeroy Street: Tree trimming do we need to have a permit? Spoke on the dredging the entire lake. Spoke on the Mayor about them no caring for the lake over the last few years. Spoke on Taylor Hospital being sold and that there was a 200,000 dollar win fall. Should work to spend this money on the project. Len Pinto working with what we had at those times. Not happy with the doubling of the cost.

Eileen Sommers Hinckley Ave: Delco Greenways Grant, when was that submitted and when should we hear? want The AMTRAK Application when will the bridge be done. Do we have a formal agreement with Eagle Scout project? Congratulated Main Streets for there filling up on the all the nonprofit vendors so quickly for the event.

Action Items

- Motion to approve Accounts Payable in the amount of: \$ 322,406.76
 - Motion Dane Collins
 - Second: Len Pinto
 - Vote 6/0
- -Approve Resolution 2021-07 for Delco Greenways Mini PROS Grant
 - Motion: Richard Guerra
 - Second: Michael McGinley
 - Vote 6/0

- - Approve Resolution 2021-08 for Delco Greenways for Ridley Park Eastlake renovations and enhancements
 - Motion: Richard Guerra
 - Second: Sue Brochet
 - Vote 6/0
- - Motion to approve Tax Assessment Appeal for David Dimegilo, CV- 2020-008336; Folio No. 37-00-00295-00 244 Birch Street per solicitor review
 - Motion: Dane Collins
 - Second: Len Pinto
 - Vote 6/0
- Motion to approve FOP Contract for Ridley Park Police for January 1st, 2021 to December 31st 2023 as recommended by the Public Safety Committee
 - Motion: Michelle Endriss Dalessio
 - Second: Michael McGinley
 - Vote 6/0

Old Business

Sue Brochet: Spoke on the capital projects that were distributed by Dane from the previous meeting. Dane Collins we are seeing an influx on the ARPA Funds and the Grants. We are still looking for ways to spend these funds. Need to find ways to allocate different funds. We are going to have to set different things aside for Len Pinto: Want to create a Capital Project Budget and adding 3- or 5-year projects. Should consider of doing an assessment in the Borough. Richard Guerra: Worked on a budget for capital budget in 2020.

New Business

Motion to add Hiring of Eric Perna for Part Time Police Officer to the agenda for approval.

Motion: Michelle Endriss Dalessio

Second: Sue Brochet

Is the officer all approved on background checks

Vote: 6/0

Motion: To hire Eric Perna as part time officer pending background and state requirements

Michelle Endriss Dalessio

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote 6/0

Michael McGinley: This is a testament to a strong department of their training that he is moving onto a full time job.

Richard Guerra: Borough Wide Clean up on October 2dn from 9am- 12PM looking to clean up the main areas of the town. Please keep an eye out for more information.

Mayor is happy we are doing this work and thankful for this project and event.

Adjourn

Motion: Len Pinto

Second: Sue Brochet

Vote: 6/0

8:20PM

Respectfully Submitted

Richard Tutak, Jr.

Borough Manager