



Ridley Park Borough Council
Council Workshop Meeting
November 8, 2023

Welcome

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

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

Swearing in of Christopher Capozzoli, Jr. to Ridley Park Junior Councilor

Mayor's Report

Mayor gave us a quick history on Veterans Day. Before it was called Veterans Day, it was called Armistice Day November 11th 1918, this was celebrated until 1954.

Council Business

Leaf Collection- M. McGinley

Has started in the 2nd and 4th precincts, keep an eye out

Wedding Singer at the Barnstormers was fantastic! K. Collins

2024 Preliminary Budget- R. Guerra

Currently in front of Council, there are still some numbers we are waiting on. Borough Manager Tutak explained the process for posting the budget. We are waiting on our final assessment, CBA's, solid waste numbers. The Budget will be posted on the website. There was a lot of cleaning up that took place to make this easier to view.

Public Comment

Mike Dougherty 315 Burke Ave

Congratulations to new Junior Councilor.

Mike walked across the bridge yesterday, it's great.

Is there anyway we can have the code enforcer come to a meeting for residents? He wants to know what/if there are any new codes. Mike asked if he wants to replace the concrete on his property, does he need a permit? Pinto said yes for several reasons, inspections etc.

Parking Meters-have been a hot topic lately.

Mike Gale 51 Collier Circle

Sought a status update with the billboard remediation. Mr. Tutak said they aerated and seeded. As far as the rest of the restoration, they will have to come back next year to make sure it takes.

How much is in the Capital Reserve today? \$340,000.00 (response from Council). You are moving 315,000 to the general fund? What is this for? Mr. Tutak said that this is due to being short on outstanding tax income. This is a better option than taking a line of credit. This is not ARPA. Aren't the funds in the Capital Reserve tagged for specific projects? R. Guerra stated that it is for projects that have been completed i.e roof, lake dredging.

Is there a status on Prospect becoming non-profit?

Mike asked about 410 Glenloch subdivision. Council President Collins stated that this is his father's property. He will abstain from voting on this.

Mike asked if there is any news on the police chief?

Recertified Civil Service, is there a list? Was this used for the chief? No he is outside of Civil Service (response)

Sandy Hess 317 Burke Ave.

Thank the police for the service the police provided on Halloween.

Are you planning on bringing the meters down during the holiday? D. Collins stated that yes, it is a two-week period.

At the last meeting, did you say we had a chief coming in? D. Collins stated that no, we did not say that. We were in the midst of interviewing candidates.

D. Collins stated that Council might be able to share some more information at the 11/21 meeting.

Action Items

-Motion to approve Council Workshop meeting minutes for October 3, 2023

Maker of the Motion M. Dalessio

Second M. McGinley

Passed 6/0

-Motion to approve Certificate of Appropriateness for Application 2023-35: 102 Penn Street
Porch Repairs
Maker of the Motion L. Pinto
Second K. Collins
Passed 6/0

-Motion to approve Certificate of Appropriateness for Application 2023-36: 212 West Ridley
Ave Roof Replacement
Maker of the Motion L. Pinto
Second M. Dalessio
Passed 6/0

-Motion to approve Resolution 2023-20: 410 Glenloch Subdivision Folio 37-00-00771-00
Maker of the Motion M. Dalessio
Second L. Pinto
Passed 5/0
1 Abstain D. Collins

-Motion to approve transfer of \$310,000 from Ridley Park Borough Capital Reserve to General
Fund for November 8th, 2023
Maker of the Motion R. Guerra
Second M. McGinley
Passed 6/0

-Motion to approve 2024 Preliminary Budget
Maker of the Motion R. Guerra
Second L. Pinto
Passed 6/0

Adjourn
Maker L. Pinto
M. Dalessio
6/0
7:26p.m