

**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
Of the Borough of Chester Heights
222 Llewellyn Road
Chester Heights, PA 19017**

June 3, 2019

- MEMBERS PRESENT Drew Baum, President
 Steve Coccozza, Vice President
 Stacey Smith, Mayor
 Philip Block, Ph.D.
 Ginamarie Ellis
 Theresa Agostinelli
 Jordan Goldberg, Pro Tem
 Susan Clarke
- OFFICIALS PRESENT Gerald C. Montella Esq.
 Matt Houtmann, P.E.
 Peter J. Rohanna Esq., Specialist Solicitor
- CALL TO ORDER President Baum called the public meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
 and led those in attendance in the reciting of the Pledge of
 Allegiance.
- PUBLIC COMMENT Councilman Block stated that he felt he didn't have adequate time
 to review the documents for 240 Wawa Road. President Baum
 agreed to move the topic to the Work Session on June 24, 2019.
- FINAL APPROVAL
REQUEST OLD QUARRY
KNOLL **Resolution 06-19-A/Request for Final Approval-**
 Upon motion (Clarke/Agostinelli) council voted to approve
 Resolution 06-19-A.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES Upon motion (Coccozza/Ellis) council voted to approve the meeting
- SECRETARY REPORT
TREASURER'S REPORT Upon motion (Coccozza/Block) council voted to accept the receipts
 expenditures as submitted by the Secretary/Treasurer for
 May 2019.
- CORRESPONDENCE Councilwoman Ellis reported on the following:
- Received a letter from a concerned resident stating she feels home values are going down. After researching home values are going up and also the resident thinks the Garnet Valley School District rating according to Zillow is now a 7 and it was a 10. Also, the resident recommended as to where council could spend their time, energy and tax payer funds.

- On June 6, 2019 there will be a Polling Machine Demo at the Aston Community Center. The voting machine change will not change till 2020. The event is open to the public to come try out the new machines.
- Received an e-mail from a concerned resident as to where the flashing light that was in front of the Tucker Residence went. Councilwoman Ellis and Roadmaster Larry Ward responded to the resident.
- Glen Mon from Hammanasset sent an e-mail stating that Hammanasset was on Fox 29 News. Glen Mon opened a garage and swarm of bees were found. The Philadelphia Bee Company came out and recovered 80,000 bees and gave Glen Mon 5 pounds of honey.
- Councilwoman Ellis stated that before posting on the shooting that occurred at the Village of Valleybrook she did go down and speak to the State Police Detectives to get the correct information.
- The Borough's Facebook page received 80 new likes which brought the total likes over 800 which quadrupled the amount from 15 months ago when Councilwoman Ellis took over the Borough's Facebook page.

FIRE MARSHAL

Mike Ciocco stated that there were 5 incidents last month. Mike Ciocco stated that he met with Wawa to talk about how their gas pumps are maintained.

ROADMASTER/EMC

Larry Ward stated there a lot of PA One calls that were cleared. Met with property owners to clear the PA One calls. 101 Valleybrook Road the speed limit signs is working and flashing at 30 mph. Penn Dot did post multiple speed limit signs going along the curve going up and down Valleybrook Road. The grass at Llewellyn Road and Lenni Road received calls stating that the grass on the Rosehill Property is too high. Larry Ward called Scott's Lawn Service and they came out to cut the grass. The property owners will reimburse the Borough. Solicitor Montella will call and make sure the Borough is reimbursed.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Montella recommended council to reconvene tonight's meeting so council can review the 3 agreements that need to be voted on. Council will reconvene the meeting to June 4, 2019 at 7pm.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Wawa/Borough Maintenance Sewer Inlet-

Matt Houtmann discussed the HOP Permit application process for the sewer inlet. Council agreed to move this topic to the next meeting for council's approval.

Matt Houtmann stated that there will be road patching occurring on Mattson Road next Tuesday.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Stacey Smith stated that she officiated her first wedding and it went very well!

SCHOOL DISTRICT/
EDU/TRAIN/LIBRARY

Mary Kay Bierne reported that graduation will be June 10th at the Bob Carpenter Center at 4pm.

FINANCE/INSURANCE

Close out the Fire Protection Savings Account-

Vice President Coccozza stated that the Fire Company will be closing out the savings account and keeping the checking account will remain open.

MOTION

Upon motion (Coccozza/Baum) council voted to close out the Fire Protection Savings Account.

Transfer \$300,000 from PLGIT-Class to PLGIT – IClass-

Vice President Coccozza stated that the Borough is switching to the PLGIT- Class account to the PLGIT I-Class account which has a better rate at 2.34%.

MOTION

Upon motion (Coccozza/Baum) council voted to transfer \$300,000 from the PGLIT- Class account to the PLGIT- IClass account.

Move Road Improvement Fund - \$108,136.64 0.05% and Money Manager \$9,471.36 0.15% from BMTTC to Santander 1.75%-

Vice President Coccozza stated that he met with Kevin Curran from Santander Bank to get a better rate.

MOTION

Upon motion (Coccozza/Baum) council voted to transfer the Road Improvement Fund which has a balance of \$108,136.64 from Bryn Mawr Trust to Santander Bank with a new rate of 1.75%.

MOTION

Upon motion (Coccozza/Baum) council voted to transfer the Money Manager from Bryn Mawr Trust to Santander Bank which has a balance of \$9,471.36 with a new rate of 0.15%.

YTD Budget vs Actual 4-30-2019-

Susan Timmins reported on the YTD Budget vs Actual 4-30-2019 stating that the total income vs actual is \$256,541.28 and the budget vs income is \$244,972.43, the total expense vs actual is

\$236,001.98 and the budget is \$223,242.53 and that's a net ordinary income for the actual of \$20,539.30 and for the budget it's a net income of \$21,729.90.

FINANCE
SUB COMMITTEE/
FIRE CO. FINANCES

Chester Heights Fire Company Funding-

Councilman Block reported that at the last session council voted to transfer the money over to the Fire Department \$129,474.71. Councilman Block stated that they received a deposit for taxes in the amount of \$1,694.22.

NOMINATING/VACANCY

Councilwoman Agostinelli stated that there is a vacancy for Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor.

COMMUNICATIONS

No report.

HIGHWAYS/
TRANSPORTATION

No report.

PLANNING/ZONING

No report.

HISTORICAL

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY/
ENVIRONMENT

No report.

PUBLIC UTILITIES/
TRASH/RECYCLE

Councilman Goldberg reported that he confirmed everything for the Recycling Event for September.

BOROUGH PROPERTY/
PARKS/OPEN SPACE

Playground Assessment Report-

Councilwoman Agostinelli stated that the Borough received the playground assessment report from Mckee Risk Management recommending the railroad ties to be taken out and replaced as well as the stairs on the playground equipment which are trip and fall hazard.

Opdenaker Trash Pick Up-

Councilwoman Agostinelli reported that the Borough has changed their trash pick up to Opdenaker. The charge is \$65.00 a month. Trash pick up will be once a week on Friday and they will be providing a trash receptacle.

Playground Rules Park Use Signs-

Councilwoman Agostinelli reported that she is in the process of getting a playground rules sign and a park rules sign.

Councilwoman Agostinelli stated that she will be sending out to council and the mayor this week.

ENGINEERING/
CONSTRUCTION/
INSPECTIONS

No report.

ORDINANCE/
CODE REVIEW

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Block is requesting a resolution for all documents that need to be submitted to council to be sent 3 business days prior to the meeting. Councilman Block is requesting a resolution for the agenda to be sent 3 days prior to the meeting. Councilman Block voiced his concerns on the current police issue and call lag time currently with the State Police. Councilman Block stated he would like the State Police to come in with their call times.

PUBLIC COMMENT

MARTA DRISCOLL
458A LENNI ROAD

Mrs. Driscoll stated that if the Borough has 800 followers on Facebook and the Borough had a meeting with the State Police and made it public she is positive the meeting would be well attended. Mrs. Driscoll asked when the new light at Route 1 and Valleybrook Road will be put in. Matt Houtmann informed Mrs. Driscoll that the equipment will be ordered and installed.

MARY KAY BIERNE
13 BISHOPS DRIVE

Ms. Bierne inquired about Old Quarry Knoll and looking for more information to pass along to the school district. Matt Houtmann stated that it will be an 8-unit single family community, lot size of 40,000 square feet.

DAN GALLAGHER
77 SMITHBRIDGE ROAD

Mr. Gallagher asked about the sewer installation on Smithbridge Road coming from 31 Smithbridge Road. Mr. Gallagher was informed by Matt Houtmann to contact Steve Conrad to extend the sewer line past Mr. Gallagher's property and his neighbors across the street from him.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Baum announced in accordance with Act 84, the Sunshine Law that Council will meet in Executive Session to discuss matters regarding Real Estate. Council met in Executive Session at 8:31pm and ended at 8:37pm with no motions being made.

CONTINUING REGULAR
COUNCIL MEETING

President Baum requested council make a motion to execute the agreement of sale in the amount of \$350,000 and to authorize the Borough professionals to begin and complete all due diligence items as listed in the agreement of sale. The property is listed on

the corner of Baltimore Pike and Darlington Road. The property is 10.8 acres and the current owner is Bill Strine.

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