

**Minutes of the Work Session Council Meeting
Of the Borough of Chester Heights
222 Llewelyn Road
Chester Heights, PA 19017**

June 22, 2020

ZOOM Meeting

Call to Order President Baum called the public ZOOM meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led those In attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present Drew Baum, President
Ginamarie Ellis, Pro Tem
Natalie M. Anderson, Council
Susan Clarke, Council
Dave Firkser, Council
Laura M. Lim, Council
Fred Wood, Mayor

Officials Present Gerald C. Montella, Esq., Solicitor
Matthew R. Houtmann, P.E., Engineer

Public Comment:

Marta Driscoll Made public comment, President Baum answered her questions.
458A Lenni Rd

Council Vacancy Candidates:

Letters of Interest received from:

Aldo Cardoni Jr., withdrew himself

Bill Pascale, unavailable for interview

Robert (Bob) Adams, present and introduced himself to Council

President Baum requested a Motion to nominate someone to fill the Council vacancy chair. Councilwoman Lim nominated Bob Adams, Pro Tem Ellis second the nomination.

MOTION Upon Motion, Councilwoman Lim and Pro Tem Ellis nominated Bob Adams to fill the Council Vacancy. Council Anderson, Aye, Council Clarke, Aye, Council Firkser, Aye, Council Lim, Aye, Council Ellis, Aye, Council President Baum, Aye.

Resolution #6-20-A Solicitor Montella presented Resolution # 6-20-A:

A Resolution to fill the vacancy of Council

Whereas, Council Member, Stephen Cocozza, an elected official, after distinguished service to the Borough, resigned on Thursday, May 28, 2020, and

Whereas, said resignation was formally accepted on Monday, June 1st, 2020 by a majority vote of a quorum of Council at a public meeting as prescribed by law, pursuant To Borough Code, Chapter 9 Section 901 (a) and (a.1)

Whereas, a duly advertised public meeting was held on Monday, June 22nd, 2020, within (30) days from the date said resignation was deemed accepted by a quorum of Council to appoint, by this resolution, a registered elector of the Borough to fill the recognized vacancy:

Now, Therefore, Be it resolved, by the Council of the Borough of Chester Heights, Delaware County that Bob Adams is hereby appointed to fill the vacancy of Council member which currently exists due to the resignation of Stephen Coccozza for a term consistent with Chapter 9, Section 901 of the Borough Code.

MOTION

Upon Motion, Council (Anderson/Lim) voted and approved to adopt Resolution #6-20-A A Resolution to fill the vacancy of Council.

Highways/Transportation:

Councilman Firkser announced some concerns with truck traffic on Lenni & Llewelyn Roads. The road's condition is worsening due to the heavy truck traffic. Councilman Firkser contacted PennDOT to inquire about the repaving of both roads and also, if there are any road use ordinances for truck use.

Engineer Houtmann suggested the traffic light where the problem seems to be the starting point does not have a green left turn arrow and will suggest the update for the traffic light.

Engineer Report:

Engineer Houtmann reported on bids received for the repaving of Ivy Lane. Bids were received and opened in the presence of Sue Timmins at 11:05 a.m. Thursday June 18, 2020.

Gessler	\$49, 855.00
AF Damon	\$56,225.00

Low bidder is Gessler at \$49,855.00 (\$2,500.00 will be reimbursed by Concord Twp.). Borough of Chester Heights is responsible for \$47,355.00.

President Baum called for a motion to award Gessler the contract to repave Ivy Lane, including (\$2,500.00 of said amount will be reimbursed by Concord Twp.), total estimate of bid is \$49,855.00

MOTION

Upon Motion, Council (Firkser/Ellis) voted and approved to award the repaving contract to Gessler in the amount of \$49,855.00.

Community Events:

Mayor Wood addressed Council for suggestions about upcoming community events: Recycling Day, 75th Founders Anniversary and Movie Night.

Any are welcome suggestions with the COVID-19 restrictions and possible reoccurrence.

Public Utilities/Trash/Recycle:

Councilwoman Lim researched household hazardous waste (paint, spray cans, pool cleaner etc.) At this time the Borough will not participate due to pricing of household hazardous waste but delcopa.gov has HHW on their scheduled calendar for

September 12th, 2020 – 25 Yearsley Mill Road, Media PA 19026

October 17th, 2020 – 8500 Furrey Road, Upper Chichester, PA 19061

They do not accept TV's, computers, appliances and/or items containing Freon. Residents can call Delaware County Solid Waste Authority at 610-892-9627 for information.

Recycling Day for Chester Heights Borough is September 26th, 2020 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Urban League will be supplying the Borough with meals for 80 children/29 families.

Borough Property/Parks/Open Space:

Councilwoman Lim has been collaborating with Engineer Houtmann with the Community Park parameter markers and getting an estimate for split rail fence corners to mark the properties boundaries. Once the information and estimates are collected they will be presented to Council. President Baum requested Engineer Houtmann to speak with developer to get an estimate as to when they plan on installing the walking trail at the Community Park. Engineer Houtmann agreed that once the Community Park is ready for the walking trail, he would coordinate with the developer.

Councilwoman Lim requested a Motion for Springfield Tree and Land to remove a tree limb that has become a safety issue at the Community Park – soccer field, and to also pick up branches, 2 piles, from the firehouse for the cost of \$625.00

MOTION

Upon Motion, Council (Lim/Anderson) voted and approved Springfield Tree and Land to remove a tree limb at the Community Park and 2 piles of branches at the firehouse for the amount of \$625.00.

Old Business

Councilwoman Clarke inquired about the Sewer Map that was approved. Councilwoman Lim informed Council that she has been in contact with Engineer's Houtmann and Ciocco and will inform Council when she receives an update.

New Business

President Baum announced that he wanted to revise the Meeting Minutes from September 11th, 2017 and May 4, 2020.

President Baum requested a Motion to revise September 11th, 2020 Meeting Minutes under Public Comment for Steve Coccozza to read:

Mr. Coccozza presented Council with documentation & information concerning the residency qualifications of then Council member Marta Driscoll.

MOTION

Upon Motion, Council (Lim/Ellis) voted and approved to revise the Meeting Minutes from September 11th, 2020 under Public Comment from Steve Coccozza to read: Mr. Coccozza presented Council with documentation & information concerning the residency qualifications of then Council member Marta Driscoll.

President Baum requested a Motion to revise May 4th, 2020 Meeting Minutes under Public Comment for Anne Searl to read:

Ms. Searl presented Council with documentation & information concerning the Residency qualifications of then Council member Steve Coccozza.

MOTION

Upon Motion, Council (Clarke/Lim) voted and approved to revise the Meeting Minutes from May 4th, 2020 under Public Comment from Anne Searl to read:

Ms. Searl presented Council with documentation & information concerning the Residency qualifications of then Council member Steve Coccozza.

President Baum also asked Pro Tem Ellis to post on the Borough’s website the Resolution #10-19-B and the Meeting Minutes where Council voted and adopted to follow the Jurassic Parliament’s rules and guidelines to meeting minutes so the public knows and understands how the Borough’s meeting minutes are composed.

President Baum presented Council with information and employee review for Darlene Kurten. He asked Council to consider additional hours to total 40 hours a week and, also an hourly rate increase from \$15.00 an hour to \$17.00 an hour.

Additional period for Public Comment: Public Comment was given by:

Theresa Albany
Lenni Road

Mike Ciocco
Fire Marshall

Marta Driscoll
458A Lenni Road

Kassy Koonsy
46 Windsor Lane

ADJOURNMENT: Upon Motion, Council (Lim/Ellis) unanimously voted to adjourn meeting At 8:20 p.m.

Land Development Dates: S.B. Conrad – 31 Smithbridge -Submitted Plans 12/18/18, Reviewed Planning Commission 10/25/10, Extension -1/14/20, Extension 04/14/20, Extension 07/13/20.

Respectfully Submitted,
Darlene Kurten
Recording Secretary