Call to order: Chairperson K. Farrell called the meeting to order.

Attendance:

- **Committee members present:** Chairperson K. Farrell, Councilor C. Soltysiak, Councilor J. Conners, and Councilor M. Ashton Young.

- **Committee members absent:** Councilor K. McGlonn, and Councilor J. Mixon.


Public Comment: None at this time.

Reports

- **Police Department** - A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.

- **Second Alarmers** - A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.

- **Pioneer Fire Company** – A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Fire Chief M. Brogan stated that they do have a truck that is out at inspection.

- **Independent Fire Company**- A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Fire Chief K. Lynch highlighted that they attended fire prevention day at the school as well as their nightly fire prevention on Thursday October 13th. Fire Chief K. Lynch wanted to note that they have had some issues with cars parking on the corner of Linden Street and West Avenue where the firetrucks are not always able to fit down Linden Street. Fire Chief K. Lynch also wanted to make it public record that the street light outside of their building at 609 Greenwood Avenue has not been reinstalled since PECO replaced their wires. Borough Manager G. Locke noted that the Borough is aware of this and is working with PECO to find a new location for the light as they placed a transformer where the light was. The Borough has been and will continue to be looked at and monitored for a new location.

New Business

1. **Fire Department Training Assessment** – Chairperson K. Farrell stated that the Assessments have been completed and a preliminary report has been provided for review. Chairperson K. Farrell stated that it is a lengthy review and Council is still reviewing but discussions will begin tomorrow regarding the draft report submitted.
2. **Fire Commission Meeting**– Chairperson K. Farrell stated that the monthly Fire Commission meeting was held before the meeting tonight at 6:30. The next meeting will be held on Nov. 16th at Independent Fire Company.

3. **Watch Children Sign, 400 block of Cedar Street**– Police Chief A. DiValentino wanted to place this on the agenda as the residents of the 400 block of Cedar Street have a lot of children and believe that this sign will help. Police Chief A. DiValentino asked the highway department to install the sign, which should be installed within the coming days. The sign will not be a watch children sign but it will be a “children at play” sign due to those residents having sidewalks which is a PennDOT standard.

4. **Speed Hump Sign in front of 215 Summit Avenue** – Police Chief A. DiValentino highlighted that there is no longer a speed hump sign on Summit Avenue when heading towards Township Line Road. Police Chief A. DiValentino had asked that the highway department install a speed hump sign in front of 215 Summit Avenue alerting motorists to the speed hump. Chairperson K. Farrell asked that speed humps on Summit Avenue also be repainted to warn motorists.

5. **Appointment of Chris Durkin and one Council Member to the Civil Service Commission** – Chairperson K. Farrell stated that both Allyson Dobbs has resigned and Justin Mixon has resigned his position from the Civil Service Commission. Chris Durkin has shown interest in being on the Civil Service Board, as well as needing to replace a Council Member. This would be addition to Maxine Marlowe. Borough Manager G. Locke will look into whether or not a Council member needs to be appointed onto the board as well.

6. **Police Department Budget Inquiry ($10,000 – 01.410.140)** – Police Chief A. DiValentino stated that there has been $10,000 in the police budget that was to be used to body cameras for the officers. Police Chief A. DiValentino stated that the police department is not ready for body cameras, however, they would like to use the $10,000 towards a dash camera in one of the marked patrol vehicles. Katherine Devlin, 203 Rodman Avenue, asked why the Police Department was not ready for body cameras. Police Chief A. DiValentino stated that their issues fall within the use of the cameras and when they can be turned off as well as the data that can be stored. Ms. Devlin, stated that there are other municipalities within the area that use the cameras and isn’t sure why Jenkintown has not started to use body cameras.

7. **Borough Code Amendment to reflect Civil Service Rules** - Police Chief A. DiValentino highlighted during their accreditation meeting, it was noticed that the Borough Code does not reflect the current Civil Service Rules. In Dropbox, there is a memo from the Accreditation Manager D. Sangree, highlighting what needs to be changed. Police Chief A. DiValentino will provide a copy of the memo to Borough Manager G. Locke which will be forwarded to the Solicitors office for review.

8. **Timing of Traffic Light at Greenwood/Summit/Township Line** – Borough Manager G. Locke stated that they did meet on site with PennDOT and the Traffic Engineers. Both PennDOT and the Traffic Engineers believe that the light is operating like it should with the timing, however, when they met on site PennDOT realized that they needed to add a few seconds onto the West Avenue light, to allow for cars to go right over the bridge. PennDOT will not be shortening the light for the Township Line Road side. Borough Manager G. Locke stated that you also cannot see the stop here on red sign as you approach it from West Avenue, therefore, PennDOT will be adding another stop here on red sign on the island.

**Old Business**

1. **Accessible Walk to Playground** - Borough Manager G. Locke stated that the only part that is left for the first phase is the installation of the railings which should be completed this weekend. The Borough and JSD are collaboratively working towards connecting the two paths, which will hopefully be completed over winter break.
1. **School Zone Safety Lights Update** – Borough Manager G. Locke stated the project is moving along as scheduled. The Borough just signed a contract with Amour Electric with a cost around $70,000. Pennoni is looking to issue a "Notice to Proceed" on December 27th. Traffic Engineer M. Bickerton is hopeful that the project can be completed by March 2017.

2. **Greenwood Avenue School Safety Zone Report** – There is no new updates for this topic. Last month, Chairperson K. Farrell stated that Pennoni has conducted a field survey they recommended a static school zone crossing. The static school zone crossing is the one that they used to have on Walnut Street. Pennoni believes that this intersection does not meet the criteria for a flashing school zone light. A report has been placed in Dropbox. Borough Manager G. Locke stated that the Borough would have to go before PennDOT, in which Pennoni filed. Traffic Engineer M. Bickerton stated that PennDOT approved this signage and Pennoni will be moving ahead with installing signage as quickly as possible. Once more information is received Borough Manager G. Locke will update the committee.

3. **Location of Fuel Disbursement** – Borough Manager G. Locke highlighted that the Borough did buy and receive a reel and hose, however the Borough received the wrong hose and has purchased a new one. This new reel is expected to be in and installed next week.

4. **Walnut Street Safety Submittal to PennDOT** – there is no new updates for this topic. Last month, Chairperson K. Farrell stated that Police Chief A. DiValentino pulled all of the accident reports on Walnut Street, between Hillside Avenue and Runnymede Avenue. Council has concerns regarding this section of Walnut Street due to the bend in Walnut Street at Cheltena Avenue. Traffic Engineer M. Bickerton, from Pennoni Associates, stated that Pennoni completed a field evaluation and have completed their recommendation. Pennoni recommends new reflective signage, more signage and new pavement markings. Traffic Engineer M. Bickerton stated that Pennoni Associates then filed with PennDOT for this project to be a part of PennDOT’s low cost safety improvement contract, and as of this morning PennDOT agreed to include Walnut Street as a part of it. Their current contract is expired and is out to bid right now. The bid opening date is October 20th and PennDOT is hopeful that the improvements should be completed by the Spring of 2017.

Adjournment: On motion of Councilor J. Conners, seconded by Councilor C. Soltysiak, the motion to adjourn the meeting passed unanimously.