

#### JENKINTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL

## PUBLIC MEETING JULY 27, 2015 7:30 P.M. 700 Summit Avenue, Jenkintown Pennsylvania

## MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order: President D. Pancoe called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance: Chief A. DiValentino led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll Call:
  - <u>Council members present</u>: President D. Pancoe, Vice President R. Bunker, Councilor L. Durkin, Councilor C. Durkin, Councilor J. Mixon, Councilor C. Soltysiak, Councilor K. Farrell, Councilor M. Golden and Councilor T. Danilak.
  - Council members absent: Councilor J. Conners, Councilor K. McGlonn, and Councilor M. Marlowe
  - <u>Others Present</u>: Manager G. Locke, Chief A. DiValentino, Director of Finance B. Lucy, Solicitor S. Kilkenny, and Engineer D. Jones.
- **4. Approval of Minutes: June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015:** On motion of Councilor C. Durkin, seconded by Councilor J. Mixon, the motion approving the minutes from the June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 meeting of Borough Council passed unanimously.
- 5. Approval of Payrolls dated June 25<sup>th</sup>, July 9<sup>th</sup> and July 23<sup>rd</sup> in the amount of \$200,881.92 and Invoices totaling \$277,920.86: On motion of Vice-President R. Bunker, seconded by Councilor K. Farrell, the motion approving payrolls and invoices passed unanimously.
- 6. Public Comment: Randy Garbin, 99 Runnymede Avenue, spoke concerning the 2015 Paving Project and the curb and sidewalk work that was marked out to be completed at his property. Mr. Garbin confirmed that he has been notified three times regarding the work that needs to be done to bring the sidewalk and curb up to code compliance. Mr. Garbin believes that the ordinance requiring homeowners to bring their curb and sidewalk into code compliance is unfair. Mr. Randy Garbin read a letter to Council explaining his financial situation and that he could not afford the necessary changes to his curb and sidewalk.

Debora Slone, 309 Nice, appeared before Council to discuss the damages on Nice Avenue from Greenwood Avenue to Cottman Avenue. The wires on Nice Avenue hang too low and are often ripped by larger trucks passing through the area. This items will be further discussed at the Public Safety meeting in September. Council directed Manager Locke to investigate the situation.

## 7. Presentations

Resolution #2015-10: 7<sup>th</sup> Dimension Games: On motion of Councilor L. Durkin, seconded by Councilor
J. Mixon, the motion approving Resolution #2015-10 recognizing 7<sup>th</sup> Dimension Games passed
unanimously.

## 8. Committee Reports

• Administration and Finance: A packet has been placed in Dropbox. Vice President R. Bunker highlighted that the Borough had reclassified the Pension Funds from Tax Value to Market Value.

- **Building, Zoning and Revitalization**: A packet has been placed in Dropbox. Councilor L. Durkin stated that there was no steering committee meeting in the month of July and will resume in August. Also, the sidewalk program for the paving project will continue after the paving project as it will take a longer time frame than anticipated.
- **Public Safety**: A packet has been placed in Dropbox. Councilor K. Farrell wanted to note the discussion with Pennoni Associates Inc. which came before Council earlier in the evening. Councilor K. Farrell also wanted to highlight the Fire Commission Meeting on August 13<sup>th</sup>.
- **Public Works**: A packet has been placed in Dropbox. Councilor J. Conners noted that the paving project is on track to begin in August.
- Jenkintown School District: Coucnilor C. Soltysiak highlighted that a meeting will be held on August 11<sup>th</sup> with Dr. Wade regarding the School Crossing Lights that the Borough will be installing.
- Jenkintown Community Alliance: No Report.
- **Multi-Municipal Group**: Councilor M. Golden stated that the report can be found in Dropbox and he could address any questions if anybody had any.
- **9. Engineers Report:** A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Engineer D. Jones stated that the first set of manhole inserts have been received and installed for the H2O Water and Sewer Study and the Borough is in the process of installing the second of the manhole lids. The Jenkintown School District plans have also been revised and approved.
- **10. Solicitor's Report**: Solicitor S. Kilkenny stated that the items to be discussed in Executive Session in the matters of litigation.
- 11. Mayor's Report: No Report.
- 12. Police Chief's Report: A written report was provided in Dropbox.
- 13. Director of Public Work's Report: A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.
- 14. Manager's Report: A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Borough Manager G. Locke wanted to highlight that he had attended the meeting for the Act 537 plan in Cheltenham. The Interceptor project was sent out to bid and came back \$3 million dollars over the Engineer's estimate. The plans will be rebid once the project is reevaluated. The I&I study is continuing throughout the Borough and the Engineer is developing a report and plan for the corrections found during this study. Concrete spreadsheet is in a separate spreadsheet in Dropbox. This spreadsheet is used to show the details of the concrete work with the 2015 Paving Project. This spreadsheet will continue to be updated weekly. Also, the proposals were received for the General Obligation Note.

# ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Ordinance #2015-2 Paving Restoration: Vice President R. Bunker made a motion, seconded by Councilor C. Durkin to approve Ordinance #2015-2, amending the Borough Code and revising Chapter 156 pertaining to the restoration of streets disturbed during utility work.

Motion passed 9-0

## NEW BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION:

1. General Obligation Note: Vice President R. Bunker made a motion, seconded by Councilor C. Durkin to appoint Republic Bank as the bank for the General Obligation Note, with a 10 year fixed rate and a 10 year variable rate loan.

Motion passed 9-0

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**: On motion of President D. Pancoe, seconded by Vice President R. Bunker, the motion to move into Executive Session for discussion of matters of litigation and personnel passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of Executive Session, President D. Pancoe announced that an Executive Session was held for the purpose of discussing matters of litigation. A motion made by President D. Pancoe seconded by Councilor T. Danilak to go back into the public meeting passed unanimously.

1. Zoning Hearing Board Appeals: Vice President R. Bunker made a motion, seconded by Councilor C. Soltysiak to allow Sean Kilkenny to represent the Borough, as the Borough Solicitor, on the Zoning Hearing Board Appeals for 206 Township Line Road and 207 West Avenue.

Motion passed 9-0

2. Right to Know Solicitor: President D. Pancoe made a motion, seconded by Councilor L. Durkin to appointing Michael Clarke as Special Conflict Council regarding the Right to Know requests concerning Solicitor Kilkenny.

Motion passed 9-0

**ADJOURNMENT**: On motion of President. D. Pancoe, seconded by Councilor L. Durkin, the motion adjourning the meeting passed unanimously.