

## JENKINTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL

# PUBLIC MEETING October 26<sup>TH</sup>, 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, Councilor C. Soltysiak, Councilor J. Conners, Councilor K. McGlonn, Councilor K. Farrell, Councilor M. Golden, Councilor C. Durkin, Councilor T. Danilak, Councilor J. Mixon, and Councilor M. Marlowe.
  - Council members absent: None.
  - <u>Others Present</u>: Manager G. Locke, Chief A. DiValentino, Director of Finance B. Lucy, Public Works Foreman J. Riggins, Solicitor S. Kilkenny, Engineer M. Saylor, and Engineer D. Jones.
- **4. Approval of Minutes: September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015:** On motion of Councilor C. Durkin, seconded by Councilor J. Conners, the motion approving the minutes from the September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting of Borough Council passed unanimously.
- **5.** Approval of Payrolls dated October 1<sup>st</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup> in the amount of \$139,182.45 and Invoices totaling \$328,631.42 On motion of President D. Pancoe, seconded by Councilor M. Marlowe, the motion approving payrolls and invoices passed unanimously.
- **6. Public Comment:** Debra Slone of 309 Nice Avenue stated that cars go over the curb in front of Forcella on York Road. The Borough will look into this and discuss a remedy for this problem.
- 7. Presentations: None
- 8. Committee Reports
  - Administration and Finance: A packet has been placed in Dropbox.
  - Building, Zoning and Revitalization: A packet has been placed in Dropbox. Councilor L. Durkin wanted
    to highlight the Steering Committee's first public workshop this Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at the Jenkintown
    School Cafeteria starting at 6pm. Also, the preliminary letters for the 2016 paving program have been
    mailed out.
  - Public Safety: A packet has been placed in Dropbox. Councilor K. Farrell wanted to note that the Police Benevolent Association and the Borough did reach a verbal agreement for the 2016-2018 contract.
  - Public Works: A packet has been placed in Dropbox. Councilor J. Conners stated that the striping of the
    roads will be started this week and completed next week.
  - **Jenkintown School District:** Councilor K. Farrell stated that there has been no new updates, however Dr. Wade is continuing to look into expanding the usable classroom space.

- Jenkintown Community Alliance: Councilor C. Soltysiak has emailed Steve Spindler but believes the first
  meeting will be in January 2016. Councilor K. Farrell offered to send out a meeting request to see which
  dates work best with the committee. Once a date has been set Councilor K. Farrell will include Council in
  attending the meeting.
- 9. Engineers Report: A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials.
- **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 Given.
- 12. Police Chief's Report: A written report was provided in Dropbox. Police Chief A. DiValentino wanted to highlight that the Police Station will be open for Halloween and all are welcome to attend. Also, Police Chief A. DiValentino wanted to note that the Police Department will be entering the next level of accreditation called CALEA. This is the highest level of accreditation.
- **13. Public Work's Report**: A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Public Works Foreman J. Riggins highlighted that the leaf collection routes have been provided on the website and will also be blasted out. President D. Pancoe wanted to know if a property maintenance reminder can go out in the mailing as well.
- **14. Manager's Report**: A written report was provided with the monthly meeting materials. Borough Manger G. Locke wanted to highlight the public workshop for the Steering Committee on Thursday October 29<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 8pm at the Jenkintown School Cafeteria. Three out of five vacant homes have been taken care of, 206 Township Line Road has been sold, 108 Walnut Street was also sold, and finally 126 Summit was refurbished and is currently for sale. Borough Manager G. Locke also wanted to highlight the budget meeting on November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

 Fire Department Training Assessment: Councilor K. Farrell made a motion, seconded by Councilor C. Durkin to approve the Fire Department Training Assessment that will be completed by VFIS which is not to exceed a cost of \$5000.

Motion passed 12-0

2. Final Payment of Legal Settlement: Vice President R. Bunker made a motion, seconded by Councilor M. Golden to release the final payment for an ongoing legal settlement in the amount of \$319,532.62.

Motion passed 12-0

3. 2017 Minimal Municipal Obligation: Vice President R. Bunker made a motion, seconded by Councilor L. Durkin to reduce the MMO for the Police Pension fund from 8% to 7.75% for 2017.

Motion passed 12-0

# **NEW BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION:**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** On motion of Councilor J, Mixon, seconded by Councilor M. Marlowe, 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 J. Conners to go back into the public meeting passed unanimously

**ADJOURNMENT**: On motion of Vice President R. Bunker, seconded by Councilor T. Danilak, the motion adjourning the meeting passed unanimously.