



**JENKINTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL
PUBLIC MEETING
March 24th, 2021
7:00 P.M.
700 Summit Avenue, Jenkintown Pennsylvania
MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order:** President D. Pancoe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Due to live streaming the meeting, the Pledge of the Allegiance did not take place.
3. **Roll Call:**
 - **Council members present:** President D. Pancoe, Vice President J. Conners, Councilor D. Ballard, Councilor J. Bruno, Councilor C. Soltysiak, Councilor J. Lugar, Councilor C. Sperger, Councilor A. MacHaffie, Councilor M. Marlowe, Councilor K. McGlonn, Councilor K. Farrell, and Councilor A. Khalil.
 - **Council members absent:** None at this time.
 - **Others Present:** Manager G. Locke, Chief A. DiValentino, Solicitor P. Hitchens, Engineer K. Hassan, Mayor A. Dobbs, and Director of Finance R. Ware.
4. **Approval of Minutes: February 24th, 2021:** On motion of President D. Pancoe, seconded by Councilor K. Farrell, the motion approving the March 24th, 2021 council minutes were approved unanimously.
5. **Approval of payrolls dated February 25th and March 11th in the amount of \$169,168.95 and Invoices totaling \$152,131.27.** On motion of Councilor D. Ballard, seconded by Councilor J. Bruno, the motion approving payrolls dated February 25th and March 11th in the amount of \$169,168.95 and invoices totaling \$152,131.27 were approved unanimously.
6. **Public Comment (Not pertaining to the Conditional Use Hearing):** None at this time.
7. **Public Hearing**
 - **821 Homestead Road Conditional Use:** President D. Pancoe made a motion, to open the public hearing for the Conditional Use hearing for 821 Homestead Road. Solicitor P. Hitchens explained the public hearing policies and procedures prior to the commencement of the hearing itself. A Court Stenographer was in attendance and transcribed the hearing.

Councilor J. Lugar made a motion, seconded by Councilor M. Marlowe, to continue the Conditional Use hearing for 821 Homestead Road until April 28th, 2021 at 7:00 PM. The motion passed unanimously.
8. **Committee Reports**
 - **Administration and Finance:** Councilor D. Ballard noted that the monthly meeting materials were provided. Councilor D. Ballard noted that the Borough Manager met with the JPD fleet manager, Ofc. Matteo, to discuss the management, safety, preventative maintenance and budgeting of the fleet.
 - **Building, Zoning and Revitalization:** Councilor K. Farrell noted that the monthly meeting materials were provided. Councilor K. Farrell highlighted that the conversation continued about the vacant properties ordinance. Councilor K. Farrell highlighted that the Borough is continuing to work with Young Lungs at Play.

- **Public Safety:** Councilor J. Lugar highlighted the monthly meeting materials were provided. Councilor J. Lugar noted that the Emergency management Coordination meeting is continuing biweekly.
- **Public Works:** Vice President J. Conners noted that monthly meeting materials were provided. Vice President J. Conners highlighted that the Council voted to approve the intent to award letter to the low bidder G&B Construction, in the amount not to exceed of \$319,670.00. At this time, the Borough is looking at a project completion date of June/July 2021.
- **Jenkintown School District:** Councilor K. McGlenn noted that she met with Dr. Takacs and President M. Cheeks to continue how to operate the Jenkintown School District with COVID taking place. Additionally, Councilor K. McGlenn noted that they began the conversation regarding development impact on the School District.
- **Jenkintown Community Alliance:** Councilor K. Farrell noted that the JCA will be holding an Arts Fest in September 2021.
- **Police Commission:** Councilor K. McGlenn noted that the Commission met for the first time on March 15th. Councilor K. McGlenn noted that the purpose of this commission is to reduce the spending of the Jenkintown Police Department budget as well as work through the onboarding process of a new Police Chief as Chief DiValentino has entered into the DROP program.

8. Engineers Report: Engineer K. Hassan noted that there was a report with the monthly meeting materials.

9. Public Works Report: Borough Manager G. Locke noted that there was a report with the monthly meeting materials.

10. Solicitor's Report: Solicitor S. Kilkenny noted that he does not have a report this evening.

11. Mayor's Report: Mayor A. Dobbs highlighted that the Jenkintown Girls basketball team is going to states this year. Mayor A. Dobbs noted that the Kwanis plans on having a run and will be working with public safety and the Police Department regarding safety.

12. Police Chief's Report: Police Chief A. DiValentino noted that there was a report with the monthly meeting materials.

13. Manager's Report: Borough Manager G. Locke noted that there was a report with the monthly meeting materials. Borough Manager G. Locke highlighted that the Cedar Street Moretti Park pre-construction meeting is being set up by the Borough Engineer. Additionally, the Salem Baptist recognition area at 610 Summit Avenue will be holding their final coordination meeting this Friday.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Decommissioning & Sale of 33K2: 2011 Crown Victoria:** Councilor D. Ballard made a motion, seconded by Councilor M. Marlowe, to motion to decommission 33K2, 2011 Crown Victoria, and place the car on Municibid or sale to another Municipality.
Motion approved 12-0
- 2. Donation of Equipment from 33K1: Dog Kennel & Cage Assembly:** Councilor D. Ballard made a motion, seconded by Councilor J. Bruno, to donate the K9 dog kennel and cage assembly from 33K1 to the Lower Moreland Police Department to assist in the creation of their K9 unit.
Motion approved 12-0

NEW BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION:

- 3. Paving of Summit Avenue:** Vice President J. Conners made a motion, seconded by Councilor J. Lugar, to approve the paving of 144 feet of Summit Avenue, to Cedar Street in the amount of \$15,050.00. This contract would be with Falcone & Sons Contracting.
After no public comment, the motion approved 12-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion of Councilor J. Lugar, seconded by Councilor D. Ballard, the motion adjourning the meeting passed unanimously.