



**JENKINTOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL  
PUBLIC MEETING  
August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
7:00 P.M. Borough Hall - 700 Summit Avenue, Jenkintown Pennsylvania  
(Also - Live Streamed ZOOM to Borough Facebook Page)**

**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order:** President D. Pancoe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor A. Dobbs led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call:**
  - **Council members present:** President D. Pancoe, Vice President J. Conners, Councilor D. Ballard, Councilor J. Bruno, Councilor J. Lugar, Councilor C. Sperger, Councilor A. MacHaffie, Councilor M. Marlowe, Councilor K. McGlenn, Councilor K. Farrell, and Councilor A. Khalil.
  - **Council members absent:** Councilor C. Soltysiak
  - **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: July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021:** On motion of President D. Pancoe, seconded by Vice President J. Conners, the motion approving the July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021, council minutes were approved unanimously.
5. **Approval of Payrolls dated July 29<sup>th</sup> and August 12<sup>th</sup> in the amount of \$150,459.35 and Invoices totaling \$342,201.01** On motion of Councilor D. Ballard, seconded by Councilor J. Bruno, the motion approving payrolls dated July 29<sup>th</sup> and August 12<sup>th</sup> in the amount of \$150,459.35 and Invoices totaling \$342,201.01 were approved unanimously.
6. **Presentations:**
  - I. Mayor A. Dobbs read a proclamation for the Jenkintown School District previous' football Coach Bob Kwarnik.
  - II. JPD – Law Enforcement Accreditation Program: The Jenkintown Police Department completed a presentation showing what and how the Borough's Police Department becomes and holds their accreditation standard.
  - III. PFM – Valuation of Borough Sanitary Sewer System: Scott Shearer, from PFM, appeared before Council who completed the valuation on the Borough's Sanitary Sewer System. This valuation was not to sell the sewer system but instead get a valuation of what the market value was for the system.
7. **Public Comment:** None at this time.
8. **Committee Reports: No Committee Meetings Held**
  - **Administration and Finance:** No Committee meeting this month. Councilor D. Ballard highlighted the Jenkintown EAC is planning a butterfly release on September 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - **Building, Zoning & Revitalization:** No Committee meeting this month. Councilor K. Farrell highlighted there is significant progress of potential new businesses in town.

- **Public Safety:** No Committee meeting this month. Councilor J. Lugar wanted to recognize Bill Adair who has stepped down in Pioneer Fire Company. Mr. Adair has served the Borough and Pioneer Fire Company for many years and wanted to thank him for the service provided.
  - **Public Works:** No Committee meeting this month. Vice President J. Conners highlighted that the Borough sold the 2004 F250 on Muncibid. Additionally, a Public Works employee has submitted their resignation.
  - **Jenkintown School District:** Vice President J. Conners noted that the Jenkintown School District has now been required to have masks be worn while in the building. Students will have the option to eat lunch outside, weather permitting.
  - **Jenkintown Community Alliance:** Councilor C. Sperger noted that the JCA is focused on the Annual Arts Fest on September 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - **Multi-Municipal Group:** No Report.
  - **Police Commission:** Councilor K. McGlenn noted that the Police Commission meets on a weekly basis and working regarding the Police Chief's retirement and what Council would like to see in the visioning of the Police Department.
8. **Engineers Report:** Engineer K. Hassan noted that there was a report with the monthly meeting materials. Engineer K. Hassan highlighted that work is ongoing with grading and utility installation in regards Cedar Street / Moretti Park. Additionally, Pennoni is working with PennDOT regarding the York Road Traffic Calming project.
  9. **Public Works Report:** Borough Manager G. Locke noted that there was a report with the monthly meeting materials.
  10. **Solicitor's Report:** Solicitor P. Hitchens noted that the Solicitors Office is working with the Borough regarding various projects such as the ongoing historic register update, zoning code updates. Additionally, Solicitor P. Hitchens noted that they are working with the Borough on right to know submittals and other legal questions such as conditional use and land development requirements.
  11. **Mayor's Report:** Mayor A. Dobbs wanted to note that the Sunset 5K Run will be held on September 9<sup>th</sup> which will only be 250 runners.
  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 Borough is looking to hire a full time Public Works employee to replace the employee who has just resigned. Additionally, Borough Manager G. Locke noted that there is a ZHB hearing continuance for 93 York Road tomorrow evening, August 26<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, the Borough meetings for the month of September has been adjusted due to the holidays. The meeting schedule is on the Borough website and will be sent out via email blasts. Borough Manager G. Locke noted that the Finance Director the Borough hired recently did not work out and the Borough's Finance Director position has re-opened.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. **Conditional Use: 821 Homestead Road – Apartment Building:** President D. Pancoe made a motion, seconded by Councilor K. Farrell to approve the conditional use application for Midgard Properties, LP (821 Homestead Rd) as written in the Conditional Use Decision and Order.  
Motion approved 10-1
2. **Extension of Workers' Compensation Coverage:** President D. Pancoe made a motion, seconded by Councilor K. Farrell, to approve the extension of workers' compensation coverage to the Jenkintown Fire Police for covering the special events on September 9<sup>th</sup> 'Sunset Run' and September 19<sup>th</sup> 'Art's Fest', as required by the Fire Department section of the Borough Code §19-10.  
Motion approved 11-0

3. **Permission to Approve Borough Hall Roof Repair Contract:** Councilor D. Ballard made a motion, seconded by Councilor J. Bruno, to approve the emergency roof replacement contract with Franco Roofing in the amount of \$63,250. I move that this approval be contingent upon review of the project by the Borough Engineer and award of the Funding through the Keystone Communities Program Grant  
Motion approved 11-0
  
4. **Ordinance No. 2021 – 1 “Parks and Recreation Chapter 130 of Borough Code”:** President D. Pancoe made a motion, seconded by Vice President J. Conners, to approve Ordinance No. 2021 – 1, Establishing a new Chapter of Borough Code, Chapter 130 “Parks and Recreation” to establish Borough Parks and related matters including Tobacco Free Zones, Permitting, Fee requirements, Rules and Regulations and Penalties for Violations.  
Motion approved 11-0

**NEW BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION:**

**1. Second Alarmers Coverage: 2021 Arts Festival**

**Motion:** Councilor C. Sperger made a motion, seconded by Vice President J. Conners, to approve the Second Alarmers coverage for the 2021 Annual Arts Festival.

After receiving no public comment, the motion was approved 11-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT:** On motion of Vice President J. Conners, seconded by Councilor J. Lugar, the motion adjourning the meeting passed unanimously.