

MINUTES
BROOKHAVEN BOROUGH WORKSHOP MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 24, 2021

At 7:00 PM Council President Terry Heller called the regularly scheduled Brookhaven Borough Council Workshop Meeting to Order. Mr. Heller led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

The record shows the meeting was held in Council Chambers at the Brookhaven Municipal Center, 2 Cambridge Road, Brookhaven, PA 19015 and the following people were present: Mayor Leslie, Council President Mr. Heller, Councilpersons Mrs. Fooks, Mr. Pappas, Ms. Sawicki, Mr. Vazquez, Solicitor John Wills, Engineer Charles Catania, Fire Chief Montella and Office Manager John Wilwert. The minutes were recorded by Planning Commission Secretary Mrs. Boyle. Councilpersons Mr. Gilroy and Mrs. Heller were absent.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION.

There was none.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – MR. JAY WILLS

Mr. Wills submitted a written report to the Council members and the Mayor this morning and reported the following issues:

Pando Properties – This is the property at 315 W. Brookhaven Road. Mr. Wills has obtained a copy of the Deed of Dedication, Lot #8 which was given to the Borough by the Developer as Open Space. The Developer has completed the landscaping of the property.

Proposed Contract With The F.O.P. – Mr. Wills has provided legal consultation to the Police Department Committee.. We are continuing to negotiate with the FOP and are hopefully coming to a resolution.

Brookhaven Storage – The Developer has filed a revised Land Development Plan for a self-storage facility on a parcel of 2.4 acres located on the south side of E. Brookhaven Road. The Brookhaven Planning Commission is scheduled to review this at the June 15th Planning Meeting. Mr. Wills will be in attendance at the meeting.

Popeye's Land Development Application – This is a property at 4236 Edgmont Avenue (former TD Bank building). There is a Conditional Use Hearing to permit a fast food restaurant with a drive-thru that is scheduled before Borough Council on Wednesday, June 2, 2021 at 7 pm. That hearing has been properly advertised and all of Council and the Mayor are expected and encouraged to be present at the meeting.

344 Patton Avenue – This is a property that had some outstanding maintenance issues. The Borough had filed a Municipal Citation; the property owner had appealed this citation in the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas. Mr. Wills said he is happy to report to Council and the public that this case has been resolved and the property is now code compliant.

Proposed Lease of Certain Municipal Space to the Delaware County Courts – We are negotiating with the County on a perspective lease agreement.

Proposed Resolution Terminating the Declaration of Emergency Disaster that had been proclaimed by the Borough in March 2020. This will be voted on at the June Council Meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Leslie reported that she had the pleasure of swearing in our new part time Police Officer, Brent Roller, on Saturday, May 22, 2021. He is a first time Officer and we wish him well.

Mayor Leslie is working with Chief Zebley to control the speeding on Trimble Blvd. and the cars turning left onto a No Left Turn onto Coebourn Blvd. by Chick-Fil-A that has been reported by several of our residents.

Mayor Leslie said that this Monday, May 31st is Memorial Day and she asked everyone to honor and remember those who have served and made the ultimate sacrifice.

FIRE CHIEF – MR. MONTELLA

Chief Montella did not have a report.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, CHAIRMAN BOARD OF HEALTH, CHAIRMAN BUILDING COMMITTEE, MEMBER BUSINESS REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE, MEMBER GRANT COMMITTEE, HISTORICAL COMMITTEE, MEMBER LONG TERM COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE, MEMBER POLICE COMMITTEE AND MEMBER PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE – MR. HELLER

Mr. Heller reported the following:

~ The Hometown Hero Banner Round 4 installation began today by our Public Works Department and will continue this week.

~ The County of Delaware approached Mr. Heller a few weeks ago to request the use of the Gymnasium from July 19 through December 31, 2021, or longer, for the purpose of Jury Selection. We are currently working on a lease regarding this and we are seeking fair rental on the lease. This is tentatively scheduled from Monday to Wednesday, every week, from 8 am through 4:30 pm. Part of the lease will demand that they vacate the floor every evening so as not to interfere with any other rentals in the evening. There will be minimal impact to the services we provide and this will be rental that we generally do not receive since we do not normally rent out any space during the day.

~ There is a pop-up Covid vaccination clinic hosted by the County scheduled for Thursday, June 3rd from 1:30 pm to 4 pm. Doses available will be the single dose Johnson & Johnson and the 2 dose Moderna vaccination. If the demand exists, the County will host subsequent vaccination dates.

~ The Delco Cruisers Car Show is scheduled for Saturday, May 29th with a rain date of Sunday, May 30th. We will blast social media by Thursday, May 27th if the show is being moved to Sunday because of the potential chance of rain.

~ We will vote at the June Council Meeting on a Resolution to terminate the Covid-19 Emergency Disaster declared on March 13, 2020.

~ There will be an Executive Session immediately following this meeting regarding a legal matter and to discuss the proposed lease for Delaware County.

~ We want to wish Mrs. Joan Boyle and her husband, Tom, a Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary.

FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE AND LIAISON TO ZONING HEARING BOARD – MR. VAZQUEZ

Mr. Vazquez reported that they have hired James McGowan for a temporary position for seasonal work at a rate of \$14.50 per hour.

PRESIDENT PRO-TEM, CHAIR ARBOR/SHADE TREE COMMISSION, CHAIR FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE, MEMBER LONG TERM AND COMPREHENSIVE PLANS, MEMBER FIRE COMMITTEE AND MEMBER GRANT COMMITTEE – MS. SAWICKI

Ms. Sawicki reported that we did receive our audit report and it will be distributed to the Mayor and Council this week.

MEMBER CONDO ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE, PLANNING COMMISSION LIAISON, MEMBER PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, COUNCIL LIAISON TO CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, MEMBER POLICE COMMITTEE, MEMBER PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, CO-LIAISON TO ZONING – MR. PAPPAS

Mr. Pappas had no report but will have a report at the June Council Meeting.

BUSINESS AND REVITALIZATION COORDINATOR, MEMBER FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION, MEMBER GRANT COMMITTEE, MEMBER HOLIDAY PARADE COMMITTEE, MEMBER LONG TERM AND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE, ORDINANCE COMMITTEE, MEMBER RECREATION BOARD, SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON, MEMBER CONDO, TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE – MRS. FOOKS

Mrs. Fooks reported the Ordinance did not meet in May. The next meeting will be on Thursday, July 15th. Mrs. Fooks said she has been working with Matt Copple to get Hilltop Drive cleaned up. A resident had spoken to Mrs. Fooks about overgrowth along Hilltop Drive. We will be contacting the owner of the shopping center and Victoria Woods about this. On the Lowe's side there are a few trees blocking vision coming out of the parking lot. The Providence Animal Clinic scheduled for September 7th may have to be cancelled depending on our contract negotiations with the County.

The Concert in the Park Series will kick off on Saturday, June 19th with Jim LaPera's band, LSD. The Electronics/Shredding Event will be held on Saturday, November 13th at Coebourn School from 9 am to 12 noon.

MEMBER PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, MEMBER BUSINESS REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE, MEMBER EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, HOLIDAY PARADE COMMITTEE, MEMBER POLICE COMMITTEE AND MEMBER RECREATION BOARD AND MEMBER TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE – MRS. HELLER

Mrs. Heller was not present and there was no report.

CO-CHAIR VETERANS COMMITTEE, MEMBER POLICE COMMITTEE, MEMBER TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE – MR. GILROY

Mr. Gilroy was not present and there was no report.

ENGINEER’S REPORT – MR. CATANIA

Mr. Catania reported the following:

~ We had talked about the strip of ground at the Pando property at 315 W. Brookhaven Road. Mr. Catania said that his research indicated that this was left over from the old Hamilton Estate. We sent this information to the Developer and he said it was excluded from the transfer of land to him. Mr. Catania said it will be recommended to Council to have Mr. Wills take care of this and to do whatever action is necessary. The strip is 30 feet wide and goes from Edwards Drive to W. Brookhaven Road. Mrs. Sawicki said that usually Council will take something like this under ownership to make sure it can be maintained.

~ Mr. Catania said that he expects to get a request for escrow release for Brookhaven Glen.

~ The Sewage Treatment Plant had another motor blow out. A replacement will cost \$1,490.

INSPECTORS’ REPORTS

FIRE MARSHAL – MR. LESLIE

Mr. Leslie had no report.

BOARD OF HEALTH –

There was no report.

ZONING OFFICER –

There was no report.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Mr. Tom Dykes, W. Brookhaven Road, said that the neighbor at 307 W. Brookhaven Road told him that the landscape around the manhole has not been done properly and asked that it be taken care of. That neighbor has also been cutting the grass on that strip since no one has been taking care of it.

The Rec Board will have its first concert series on Saturday, June 19th. The next scheduled series of Concerts in the Park will be on Saturday, July 21st, Saturday, August 18th and Friday, September 24th. The Rec Board is making plans for Family Day. Mr. Dykes said that he has a letter to go out to the Businesses regarding Family Day; Mr. Heller will sign the letter.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no other business to come before Council. Ms. Sawicki made the motion and Mrs. Fooks made the second motion to adjourn. Motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Joan Boyle
Brookhaven Planning Commission Secretary

