

April 12, 2016

The regular meeting of the Royersford Borough Council was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by A. Dham at Royersford Borough Hall, 300 Main Street, Royersford, Pa.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was followed by roll call.

Present: M. Bullick, A. Dham, R. Graham A. Metricarti, T. Moyer, M. Stehman, and T. Weikel  
Also Present: Mayor J. Guest, Solicitor R. Brant, and Manager M. Leonard

Solicitor Brant held a Conditional Use Hearing for a daycare center at the United Methodist Church located at 380 Church Street. A stenographer recorded the hearing. Solicitor Brant adjourned the Conditional Use Hearing. The property owner must deliver a letter to the Borough Manager regarding parking for employees. The stenographer minutes of the Conditional Use Hearing will be attached. Motion by T. Weikel seconded by A. Metricarti that no decision will be made until a parking agreement is presented to Borough Council. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of the March 8 & March 29, 2016 regular meetings were approved as distributed upon a motion by T. Weikel seconded by A. Metricarti. Motion passed unanimously.

David Leh, Borough Engineer from Gilmore & Associates, presented the cost for the CDBG Oak Street Grant. The base bid came in at \$308,874.00, the alternate is \$72,906.00 for a total of \$381,780.00. The borough will receive a CDBG Grant of \$173,225.00 and use \$208,000.00 of Liquid Fuels money.

David Leh, Borough Engineer from Gilmore & Associates, presented to council the bids for milling and overlay using Liquid Fuels.

- (1) North 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue - Pine Street to Elm Street
- (2) Oak Street - Fifth Avenue to 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- (3) 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue - Washington Street to Main Street

Council discussed the issues of road repair and the cost of the roads to be repaired and concluded that the borough cannot afford all the roads, so they chose North 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Pine Street to Spruce Street and Oak Street from Fifth Avenue to 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue using Liquid Fuels money. Motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Stehman to approve the above mentioned streets for the use of Liquid Fuels and CDBG Grant money. Motion passed unanimously.

#### VISITORS:

Kathryn Cerasa from 411 Church Street wanted to address Council with a quality of life issue regarding 401 Church Street, and ordinance violations of playing very loud rock music over a course of a month; she had to call the police numerous times. Ms. Cerasa stated that the police cited 401 Church Street for loud noise. Ms. Cerasa stated that the owner said that they have a recording studio in a residential neighborhood. President Dham asked the Building / Zoning Officer to look into the matter.

Mr. Robert Stipa, 554 Arch Street, addressed Council. Mr. Stipa is not clear on the exact date in 1975 he was told that no one could build on the lot at 601 Arch Street; due to getting the sewer up to 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Mr. Stipa expressed his opinion on building the twins on the property at 601 Arch Street.

Sheryl Kemmerer addressed her property and lot regarding drainage issues at the end of Arch Street, and also the high taxes she is paying on her property. All drainage will be addressed during the land development process.

#### BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT & COMMUNICATIONS:

Manager Leonard presented Resolution No. 2016-03. The approval of an application for a CBDG Grant for Church Street Road Reconstruction and ADA Ramps. Motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Stehman to sign the resolution. Motion passed unanimously.

Manager Leonard presented Resolution No. 2016-04. The approval to present grant application to DCNR for the walking trail on First Avenue and Arch Street to the borough property in Upper Providence Township. Motion by A. Metricarti seconded by M. Stehman to apply for a DCNR Grant for the walking trail. Motion passed unanimously.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Disbursements in the amount of \$125,716.24 were presented and authorized paid upon motion by T. Weikel seconded by M. Stehman. Motion passed unanimously.

#### PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

A. Metricarti reported that we had a resignation on the Building Code Appeals Board and would like to make a motion to appoint Jim Bauer seconded by T. Weikel. Motion passed unanimously. There was a question if Mr. Bauer can serve both the Zoning Board and the Code Appeals Board, the solicitor said that is not a problem there are no conflicts.

A. Dham read a letter from FEMA regarding the Borough of Royersford being reinstated into the National Flood insurance.

A. Dham announced that there will be a joint meeting with Limerick Township, Spring City Borough, Upper Providence Township, Royersford Borough, and the Spring-Ford School Board on April 13, 2016 at the high school building.

A. Dham reported that there is a master plan meeting the first Tuesday of every month.

#### PLANNING COMMISSION:

The minutes of the April 4, 2016 Planning Commission meeting were read into the record by A. Dham. Motion to accept the Planning Commission minutes by T. Weikel seconded by M. Bullick. Motion passed unanimously.

Manager Leonard told the visitors at the meeting regarding 601 Arch Street that if they have any questions they can stop at Borough Hall, my door is always open.

**MAYOR:**

Mayor Guest reported that Saturday April 9, 2016 was the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the fire companies.

**SOLICITOR:**

Solicitor Brant reported that a letter will be sent to the Zoning Hearing Board regarding the hearing at 601 Arch Street that was authorized at the last meeting on March 29, 2016.

Solicitor Brant instructed Council on the steps for a zoning map change and amendments to the zoning ordinance.

Solicitor Brant reported that there will be an Executive Session on litigation and a personnel matter.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M. with no action from Council regarding the executive session upon a motion by T. Weikel seconded by A. Metricarti. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael A. Leonard  
Secretary