

March 14, 2016

The March 14th meeting of Denver Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present: Junior Councilperson Wallace, Stewart, Palm, Gensemer, South, Stover, Daub, and Mayor Redcay. The invocation was given by Mayor Redcay, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Citizen's Concerns

Donald Wenger inquired if there is a way the bell bollards at the intersection at Main Street and 4th Street can be moved back because when a truck hits the bollard it looks like the trailer will tip over and it could land on a car killing the family in the car. Borough Council informed Mr. Wenger that the bell bollards have been installed in that location to protect the traffic signal pole. Discussion followed.

Meeting Minutes

Councilman Stewart made a motion, seconded by Councilman Stover, to approve the February 8, 2016 and February 29, 2016 meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Presentation

Mike Wetherhold, representative from the Adamstown Area Library and member of Adamstown Borough Council, along with Jane Webber, President of the Adamstown Area Library Board, provided an update concerning the Adamstown Area Library and the Library's plans to purchase and relocate to a new building in Adamstown Borough. Discussion followed concerning an open house for municipal officials and whether any other municipal officials have toured the property and the proposal to change the name of the new facility from the Adamstown Area Library to the Brecknock-Cocalico Community Library (BCCL).

Borough Council President

Councilman Daub reported that Denver Borough hosted the Lancaster County Commissioners meeting at the Denver Borough Municipal Building and the meeting was very productive.

Mayor

Mayor Redcay reported that on February 19th he attended Ryan Aument's Breakfast Meeting and later that day the Intergenerational Bingo at the Cocalico High School sponsored by the Cocalico Community Partnership.

Junior Councilperson

Junior Councilperson Wallace thanked Jane Webber and Mike Wetherhold for coming to tonight's meeting and is very eager to see how the building develops for the Brecknock Cocalico Community Library. Mr. Wallace reported that he is looking forward to Representative Mindy Fee's Town Hall meeting here on March 31st and he is trying to get some of his friends who are going to be majoring in Political Science to attend the meeting with him. Mr. Wallace also reported that he, along with the Student Government, has been working with Susan Van Zant of Jan's Circle of Friends on a cookbook project and the sale of the cookbook has officially begun and will conclude on April 22nd. There will be information in the Ephrata Review and Shopping News on how to order a cookbook.

Mr. Wetherhold also discussed the Adamstown Area Library's proposal to purchase five (5) fundraising signs measuring four (4)-feet by eight (8) feet to be placed in the five (5) communities in the service area to inform residents about the Library's fundraising efforts and to drive home the point that the Library is their Library. Mr. Wetherhold is planning on approaching each municipality in the service area to request permission to place a sign either at their municipal building or a better location in their municipality. Discussion followed and Borough Council suggested that Mr. Wetherhold contact the Cocalico School District to place a sign at one (1) of their facilities.

Borough Manager

Borough Manager Michael Hession reported that the Zoning Hearing Board will meet on March 23rd to make their official decision concerning the Cocalico School Districts Electronic Message Display sign application. The Zoning Hearing Board approved the application during their February 24th meeting and will reconvene in March to approve the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law. Borough Council was provided with a copy of the draft Finding of Facts and the Decision Letter.

Mr. Hession reported that the Lancaster County Association of Township Supervisors meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 29th and representatives from the Borough are invited to attend. Also Representative Mindy Fee's Town Hall meeting will be held at the Municipal Building on March 31st from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Street and Safety Committee

Councilman Stover stated that he saw an employee from Rettew in the Borough on North 5th Street. Mr. Hession reported that Rettew was in the Borough to shoot grades on North 5th Street from Cherry Alley to Main Street to determine whether any stormwater improvements will need to be added to this year's North 5th Street Paving Project. The Borough has not received the results from the survey and once received, this information will be shared with the Street Committee members for review and recommendation.

Police and Safety Committee

Councilman Gensemer reported that a letter was sent to East Cocalico Township Police asking to schedule a meeting with representatives from Denver Borough to discuss a longer term contract for police services.

Borough Council Comments

Councilman Stewart reported that a letter will be sent to PPL trying one last time to get them on to come to the table and settle with the Borough concerning the streetlight purchase. Mr. Hession reported that he spoke with the representative at PennDOT concerning the Borough's Multimodal Grant and the Borough is clear on the grant timeline requirements. Discussion followed.

Discussion Items

Borough Council discussed the Woody Yard Waste facility at the Borough Lot. Councilman Daub reported that there was discussion to contract for the construction of a pavilion roof over the grass clipping/leaves/mulch/dirt site at the Borough Lot to prevent water from impacting the storage area. Mr. Hession reported that during the last Borough Council meeting it was discussed about the possibility of completing the project in phases and obtaining a price for the project without a concrete pad. Mr. Hession stated that since the last Borough Council

meeting he spoke with Public Works Director George Whetsel who stated that the Public Works Department is concerned about the height of the dumpster and due to that height, people may dump this debris around the dumpster instead of in the dumpster. The Department recommended making the dumping area narrower by moving the block walls closer to about 10 feet in width and pouring a concrete pad where people will go in and dump on the concrete pad under the proposed roof. The Borough then can contact Goods' Disposal to bring a dumpster to the site, the materials can be loaded into the dumpster, and Good's can take the dumpster away. Mr. Whetsel has developed and distributed the revised specifications to the company's that provided the original cost quotation. A copy of the revised specifications are included in Borough Council's meeting packet. Discussion followed.

Borough Council discussed the request from the Lancaster County Boroughs' Association (LCBA) for the Borough to consider adopting a resolution in support of decreasing the number of State House and Senate Representatives. Mr. Hession reported that there are two (2) sample resolutions to review, one (1) resolution that was adopted by the Lancaster County Boroughs' Association on February 24th and the other that was adopted by Millersville Borough on February 23rd. Discussion followed concerning the number of representatives that will be eliminated based on the legislation, what the proposed new districts will look like, and the effectiveness of the Borough's resolutions to the State legislators who are provided a copy of this action. Discussion followed and Borough Council decided not to take any action until additional information concerning the proposed legislation can be discussed.

Action Items

Councilman South made a motion, seconded by Councilman Stover, to approve the February, 2016 Treasurer's Report. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Councilman South made a motion, seconded by Councilman Stewart, to authorize the Borough to proceed with advertising the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Councilman Palm made a motion, seconded by Councilman Stover, to authorize the President or Vice President of Borough Council to execute the Agreement between the Borough of Denver and Reilly Sweeping, Inc. for street sweeping services in the Borough, including paved alleyways, at a total cost of \$4,725.00. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Executive Session

Councilman Stover made a motion, seconded by Councilman Gensemer, to recess into an Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. to discuss various personnel issues including the new Collective Bargaining Agreement proposals. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Councilman Stewart made a motion, seconded by Councilman Gensemer, to reconvene into Regular Session at 8:27 p.m. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

Adjournment

Councilman Stover made a motion, seconded by Councilman Gensemer, to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Michael Hession
Borough Manager/Secretary

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- Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.