

**September 12, 2016**

The September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting of Denver Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following Councilmembers present: Stewart, Flory, 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

Tina Bauman, a resident of Smokestown, reported that she knows there is a huge concern about the drug activity in the area and offered her assistance in whatever the Borough decides to advance this issue. Borough Council thanked her for attending the meeting and Borough Council will be discussing a proposed follow-up meeting regarding this issue.

Lori Casanova, 367 Hawthorne Drive, reported that she also is interested in helping out in any way she can regarding the drug activity as well as the drug addiction.

#### Meeting Minutes

Councilman Stewart made a motion, seconded by Councilman South, to approve the August 29, 2016 meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

#### Borough Council President

Councilman Daub reported that Denver was packed with people on Saturday during the Community Yard Sale and it was nice to see all the activity in Borough.

#### Mayor

Mayor Redcay reported that on September 1<sup>st</sup> he attended the East Cocalico Township Supervisors' meeting to thank them for hiring Terry Arment as the new Police Chief.

#### Borough Manager

Borough Manager Michael Hession reported that the Borough received a \$10,000.00 Grant from the Lancaster County Clean Water Consortium for the Denver Lot Recycling Rain Garden Project. The grant agreement has not been received yet, but the Borough had been asked to begin working on the project so he contacted the engineer to set up a meeting to develop the bid specs.

Mr. Hession reported that the Borough received another grant for \$500.00 from the Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful Grant who was offering 25 grants over the course of 25 days. Mr. Hession reported that he applied for a grant for the \$1,000.00 worth of planting the Borough will be doing later this month. The \$500.00 should cover half the cost of planting six (6) trees, 12 bags of top soil, and 10 bags of mulch for the planting scheduled for October 29<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Hession reported that the Borough received confirmation that the joint meeting with representatives from the Denver Fire Company will be held at the Denver Fire Hall, 425 Locust Street, Denver, on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will give Borough Council a chance to meet with the Fire Company officials, discuss some mutual issues and/or concerns, and possibly tour the facility. The meeting will be advertised and open to the public.

Mr. Hession reported that officials from the Borough have been invited to the Adamstown Library Benefit Mixer at Heck Construction on Thursday September 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The Library Board is trying to raise funds for their "Room to Grow Campaign." There will be a short presentation by the trustees and if you make a donation you will get a free gift from Heck Construction.

Mr. Hession also reported that the Borough received notice that the Lancaster County West Nile Virus Program is going to be sponsoring a free Tire Recycling Program for residents of the

county. The event will be at the Farm and Home Center on Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. During the program any Lancaster County resident may bring four (4) regular automotive tires or one (1) over-sized tire. If a rim is greater than 15” then the tire is categorized as an oversized tire. There will be no charge and they will take tires until the trailer is full.

#### Finance Committee

Councilman Gensemer inquired if the Borough has received any news regarding the police budget since the Borough is starting to work on next year’s budget. Councilman Gensemer recommended that the Borough contact officials from East Cocalico Township to meet and discuss this issue further. Discussion followed.

Councilman Gensemer inquired if anything was decided about the concerns a resident brought to the last Borough Council meeting concerning the height and location of a sewer manhole on his property on South 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. Hession reported that he met with the property owner and discussed his concerns. The manhole is on his property on the other side of the creek and the manhole will now be able to be installed at grade level instead of 18-inches above grade. The property owner stated that he would pay for the tree planting adjacent to the sidewalk if the Borough would pay for the removal of two (2) large Ash trees on the property on the edge of the easement. Discussion followed.

#### Borough Council Comments

There were no Borough Council comments.

#### Discussion Items

Borough Council discussed the Borough’s streetlight project, the proposed cost estimate for the project, and the funding plan options for the project. Mr. Hession reported that the cost estimate is a little higher than before since the number of junction boxes PPL is requiring has increased from 71 to 113. He stated he contacted PPL to make sure that this change does not mean they will also increase the Make Ready work and PPL informed him the Make Ready Work will remain the same. He also reported that he provided the street lighting consultant with a copy of the proposed cost estimated and the consultant thought PPL is asking for more junction boxes than what the Borough needs. Discussion followed. Mr. Hession also reported that PennDOT is forwarding the contract documents and he should have them for the next Borough Council meeting. PennDOT also reviewed the lighting plan the Borough submitted earlier this year and approved the plan without any comments. The Borough is waiting for responses from PPL concerning the cost to purchase two (2) underground fed poles and lights that previously were knocked down and PPL was paid to replace these lights. Discussion followed.

Borough Council discussed the proposed follow-up meeting schedule for the Main Street Denver drug issue. Councilman Daub reported that the one thing that was clear to him regarding this issue is that people are interested in more information and perhaps some educational opportunities. Councilman Stewart agreed and mentioned the best thing to do would be to try to reach out to the other municipalities and the school district because this is a national problem and Denver is too small to deal with it alone. He felt that it would be better to deal with it at the School District level and possibly use their facilities to have a meeting. Councilman Stewart also mentioned that there are a lot of people who are interested in this issue and it is important to find the right person to facilitate it. Borough Council asked Mr. Hession to reach out to the other municipalities and Cocalico School District to inform them many citizens in the region are concerned about this issue and see if we can schedule a special Regional Leaders Meeting which will include an educational component as well as an opportunity for leaders in the Cocalico area to discuss this issue further.

Borough Council discussed the sale of the Borough’s 1994 Ford F-250XL Four-Wheel Drive Pick-Up Truck and a Western Pro-Plow (8-feet 6-inches). Councilman Flory made a motion, seconded

by Councilman Stover, to authorize the sale of the Borough's 1994 Ford F-250XL Four-Wheel Drive Pick-Up Truck and a Western Pro-Plow (8-feet 6-inches). Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Borough Council discussed the request to sell a Western 8-Foot Ice Breaker Hopper Salt Spreader via Municibid. Mr. Hession reported this is a little more difficult to put outside and sell. Municibid is a program where municipalities can advertise and sell equipment and anyone can bid on the equipment. Councilman Stewart made a motion, seconded by Councilman Flory, to authorize the sale of the Western 8-Foot Ice Breaker Hopper Salt Spreader via Municibid. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

#### Action Items

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

Councilman Stover made a motion, seconded by Councilman Gensemer, to motion to permit Scott Mohn and Chris Mohn to archery hunt on the Borough's Reservoir property, located at 803 Reinholds Road, from October 1, 2016 through January 22, 2017. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Councilman Flory made a motion, seconded by Councilman Gensemer, to permit John Enck, 524 Elm Street, Denver, PA, to archery hunt on the Borough's Smokestown Well property, located at 850 Smokestown Road, from October 1, 2016 through January 22, 2017, contingent upon Mr. Enck submitting to the Borough a signed Release Form. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

#### Unfinished Business

Mayor Redcay reported now that the Denver House is under a verbal agreement to purchase the property. Ray D'Agostino from LHOP along with the Project Team will be coming to make a presentation for Borough Council at the next meeting.

#### Adjournment

Councilman Gensemer made a motion, seconded by Councilman South, to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. Motion carried unanimously 6 to 0.

Michael Hession  
Borough Manager/Secretary

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