

**Yardley Borough Council Meeting
July 19, 2022**

The meeting was held in Borough Hall with the following members present:

Kim Segal-Morris
Caroline Thompson
John McCann

Christopher Campellone
David Bria

Matt Ross
Matthew Curtin

Council member(s) not in attendance:

Also in attendance were Mayor Chris Harding, Chief Joseph Kelly, Borough Manager Paula Johnson, Engineer Pat Foley, and Solicitor Andrew Griffin.

I. CALL TO ORDER – Caroline Thompson, President

The meeting was called to order at 7:30.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

VI. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA DATED July 19, 2022

A. Approval of Minutes Dated June 21, 2022

B. Bills List Dated July 19, 2022

C. Certificates of Appropriateness: 22-17-7 Letchworth Ave – windows, porch, gutters

D. Banner Permits – Yardley Restaurant Week 8/15-21/22

Harvest Day 9/3-9/18

Canal-o-Ween 10/16-11/6

Mr. Ross motions to approve the Consent Agenda dated July 19, 2022, which is seconded by Ms. Segal-Morris.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0

VII. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

Police service statistics for June 2022: The department handled 524 calls for service, issued 4 parking tickets, issued 66 moving traffic citations, issued 1 criminal citations, investigated 10 motor vehicle accidents, and made 3 arrests (0 for DUI.)

VIII. MANAGER'S REPORT

- Snow bids are due this Friday, 7/22

- Three hearings on 7/25 for ZHB
- Five applicants for full-time police officer
- Fall/Winter newsletter almost complete

IX: ENGINEER'S REPORT
Will be covered in other business.

X. SOLICITOR'S REPORT
Nothing to report.

XI. MAYOR'S REPORT
Nothing to report.

XII. COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

A. Kim Segal-Morris – Public Safety Committee, Human Relations Committee, APO, YM Fire Company
Public Safety – Regarding the Bucks County Heat Emergency Plan, Borough Hall will open for cooling and charging during a heat emergency. Yardley-Makefield Fire Dept will open for citizens who have mobility issues. Residents needing assistance will need to be accompanied to the fire house. APO's and Wes Foraker will assist as escorts.

B. Matthew Ross – Public Works Committee, Sewer Authority
Met tonight – items will be reviewed in other business.

C. Matt Curtin – General Government Committee, Planning Commission
Met tonight – budget will be reviewed in other business.

D. John McCann – Community & Economic Development Committee, Historic & Architectural Review Board, Zoning Hearing Board, Shade Tree Commission
Nothing to report.

E. Chris Campellone – Community Outreach Committee, YBA, Experience Yardley, EAC, Parks and Rec
Nothing to report.

F. David Bria –
Will be discussed in other business.

XIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS
None.

XIV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Recommendation to Reject Bid for 81 N. Delaware Elevation – M. Ross
Engineer recommends rejection on the one bid received for 81 N. Delaware because the bid exceeds the grant value.

- Mr. Ross motions to reject bid for 81 N. Delaware as it exceeded the grant allotment, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.
A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
- B. Permission to re-bid 81 North Delaware – M. Ross
Engineer requests authorization to re-advertise and rebid for 81 N. Delaware. Cost to process rebid is not to exceed \$2000.
Mr. Ross motions to authorize re-advertisement and rebid for 81 N. Delaware, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.
A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
- C. Consideration of Award Bid for 33 Brown Street Elevation – M. Ross
One bid was received from Premier Builders for \$249,804, and engineer sought prices for five alternative bids. Engineer recommends acceptance of base bid, alternative bid # 4, and alternative bid #5 for a total of \$274,960
Mr. Ross motions to award bid in the amount of \$274,960 to Premier Building, which is seconded by Mr. Bria.
A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
- D. Permission to Advertise for Bids for the Mary Yardley Bridge – M. Ross
Mr. Ross motions to approve advertisement of bids for the Mary Yardley Bridge project, which is seconded by Ms. Segal-Morris.
A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
- E. Permission to Advertise for Bids for 93 North Delaware Ave – M. Ross
Mr. Ross motions to approve advertisement of bids for the 93 N. Delaware Avenue project, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.
A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
- F. Consideration of the Borough’s Stormwater Maintenance Fund Determination for 85 West Afton Lot 1 – M. Ross
Mr. Ross motions to approve a fund deposit of \$5,000 for 85 West Afton Avenue Lot 1 project, which is seconded by Ms. Segal-Morris.
A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
- G. Res. 22-16 North Main Street Sidewalk – M. Ross
The resolution is included in the meeting materials.
Mr. Ross motions to approve Resolution 22-16 to award the lowest responsive bidder, GNB Construction Inc, in the amount of \$746,072.50, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.
A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
- H. Res. 22-17 MTF Grant – M. Ross
Grant will be for Main St. Phase III to obtain additional funding for the project.
Mr. Ross motions to approve Resolution 22-17, which is seconded by Mr. Bria.
A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
- I. Approval of the Change of Scope No. 1 dated July 1, 2022 for the 2019 FEMA House Elevation Projects – M. Ross
Mr. Ross motions to approve Change of Scope No. 1 based on additional engineering design for 45 S. Delaware, which is seconded by Ms. Segal-Morris.
A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.
- J. Consideration of Fees, Yardley Point – C. Thompson

Mr. Edwin Gavin, 42 W. College #315, representing the Homeowners Association for Yardley Point, presented a history of engineering matters at the property and the HOA's request for consideration of relief from a portion of the permit fees that have been paid for the pending work that will be done on the retaining walls.

Council members agreed that they will look into the two permit fees in question for greater clarity on how those fees are arrived at and would communicate that information with the HOA. Research will also be conducted on the permit fee structure compared to other local municipalities.

Ms. Segal-Morris motions to revisit the project costs at the end of construction to see if any refunds for permit fees are appropriate in this situation, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.

A vote was held, and the motion passed 5-2-0.

K. Mid-Year Budget Adjustment – M. Curtin

Mr. Curtin presented a mid-year budget assessment and request for approval of an amended 2022 budget. It is expected that revenues will be higher than originally projected.

Mr. Curtin motions to approve the amended 2022 budget, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.

A vote was held, and the motion passed 7-0.

L. Police Officer Hourly Rate Change – K. Segal-Morris

2022 Amended Pay Progression included as part of the meeting materials.

Ms. Segal-Morris motions to approve the 2022 Amended Pay Progression, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone

A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

M. Award Live Streaming Project – D. Bria

This project will be paid from federal rescue funds.

Bids were solicited and Lerro provided a quote of \$62,896.14 for installation of a professional system with high quality image and sound. Installation includes 46 pieces of equipment, wiring and cabling, presentation screen, remote participation and closed captioning capabilities.

Mr. Bria motions to award livestream project to Lerro, which is seconded by Mr. Ross.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.0

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ross motions to adjourn the meeting at 9:00, which is seconded by Mr. Campellone.

A vote was held, and the motion passes 7-0.

Submitted by,
Mary Ann McLean