

**Yardley Borough Council Meeting
July 2nd, 2019**

The meeting was held in Council Chambers with the following members present:

David Bria Bryon Marshall Ryan Berry Caroline Thompson
Sandy Brady (via phone)

Council members not in attendance: Mike Ruttle and Matthew Ross

Also in attendance were Mayor Chris Harding, Chief Joseph Kelly, Solicitor E. Closser, and Borough Manager Paula Johnson. Council President Marshall called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes (Time Stamp: 7:30 pm)

Mr. Bria moves to approve the minutes of the June 18th, 2019 meeting, which is seconded by Mr. Berry. The motion carries.

Progress Reports (Time Stamp: 7:30 pm)

Solicitor

Nothing to report

Borough Manager

1. A/V team continues to work and is present tonight.
2. Currently working on the budget and the new format. First draft will be July 16th.
3. Attended the Christmas parade meeting and it is in the beginning stages with new things being planned.
4. Attached to the report is a first draft of the franchise agreement for Comcast. Other municipalities have council involved if anyone wants to be involved.
5. HARB meeting is rescheduled for Monday July 8th.
6. Mr. Berry states previously there was a committee for the franchise agreement but it is not necessary.

Mayor

Nothing to report

Police Chief

1. In June the Police Department handled 531 calls for service, issued 14 parking tickets, issued 175 moving citations, 6 criminal citations, investigated 7 traffic accidents, and made 11 arrests, 1 being for DUI.
2. Will have enhanced DUI patrols that will run tonight through the weekend.

Council Vice President

Nothing to report

Borough Engineer

Not in attendance

Council President

Nothing to report

Council Committees

Community Outreach-Ms. Thompson

Nothing to report

General Government-Ms. Thompson

Discussed with the office staff, if there is no agenda going forward how will the bills list be handled if we want to cancel a meeting? Will follow up with Mr. Closser for a plan for the future.

Community & Economic Development - Mr. Berry

1. Discussed revising the zoning ordinance to take care of the marijuana dispensers. There are some steps that can be taken; for example – distance away from schools and can limit the number possible in the Borough. If interested, we can send a draft to Planning.
2. Frank Lyons submitted a plan for the parking issue. No decision has been made. But parking is an issue and will consider discussing this solution in the future.
3. Reading Ave – Meets regularly on the 3rd Monday
4. Budgets – Reading Ave and Planning submitted budget requests. Zoning has no budget request.
5. EAC – Attended the EAC meeting. They will be putting out their bid for the Growing Greener Grant soon. Will be out to bid for several weeks to a month. EAC is also interested in researching whether to pursue a grant for DEP for electric vehicle charging stations and can request up to \$5000. EAC is open to feedback and reasons if not wanting to pursue. Mr. Bria states that the general concern from Public Works is that it needs to be located in a municipal lot and do not have the space. There are outstanding questions and will send a summary to the EAC to address concerns. Mr. Berry states December is the deadline.
6. EAC meets on 4th Tuesday of the month.
7. Planning Commission will meet next Tuesday to discuss the floodplain ordinance.

Public Works-Mr. Ross

Mr. Bria states Public Works did not meet

Public Safety – Ms. Brady

1. Submitted preliminary numbers for the budget.
2. Ms. Brady discusses pedestrian safety pilot with the flags. Currently it is at West Afton and Penn Valley by the library and are looking to add to Letchworth and South Main by the bus stop. Ms. Brady notes they received a lot of positive feedback and is very inexpensive.

Bill List (Time stamp: 7:42 pm)

Ms. Thompson moves to approve the 7/02/19 bills list, which is seconded by Mr. Bria. A vote was held and the motion passes.

Correspondence (Time stamp: 7:42 pm)

Mr. Marshall discusses a report from Susan Mazatelli regarding FEMA Elevation grants and applications. We were denied funding for this current round. The decision can be appealed and is estimated 10 hours of work for \$750 of expense. Consensus is to appeal.

Public Comment (Time stamp: 7:45 pm)

Mr. Marshall states there is a slight change to public comment section. Audience members must come forward to the front table and are asked to state name and address. The discussion will happen between the audience member and council. Any issues with disability and mobility to let council know.

Dawn Perlmutter – 18 West College Ave

Ms. Perlmutter states she has been using the flags Ms. Brady discussed earlier. Ms. Perlmutter also states there is a bus stop on College Ave and Main St. People come down from the Tannery to get lunch. Ms. Brady will look into getting flags there too as it is inexpensive. Ms. Brady also states she is looking into grants to enhance pedestrian crossings all along South Main, Letchworth, College, and Reading Ave.

Certificates of Appropriateness (Time Stamp: 7:47 pm)

None

Old Business (Time Stamp: 7:47 pm)

None

New Business (Time Stamp: 7:47 pm)

None

Mr. Berry motions to adjourn at 7:47 pm, which is seconded by Mr. Bria.

Submitted by,
Patty Sargent