

BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

PUBLIC MEETING

PRESENT: James Griffin, Council President
Karen Tutino, Council Vice-President
Anita Barton, Council Member
Tina Sokolowski, Council Member
Colleen Leonard, Council Member
Jane Flanagan, Council Member
Robert Frost, Mayor

ALSO PRESENT: Richard J. Manfredi, Borough Manager
Michael J. Savona, Borough Solicitor

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting of the Conshohocken Borough Council duly advertised, was held at Conshohocken Borough Hall, 400 Fayette Street, Conshohocken, Pa. Mr. James Griffin, Council President, called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

PRAYER FOR COUNCIL

Ms. Jane Flanagan read a Prayer for Council.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Griffin asked Mr. Manfredi to share an update on the completion of the Borough Hall and the Open House event for it. Mr. Manfredi explained that the Open House would be on May 14th and that there are only a few outstanding items to complete the building including landscaping, video boards, lighting, railing, a security gate and fencing packages for it amongst other items. He added that there are punch list items that the Borough is addressing with the developer and general contractor that should be moved toward completion shortly and that there would be an executive session following the meeting for Council to discuss the final items and how they would like to see them completed. Following Mr. Manfredi's update, Mr. Griffin introduced the next agenda item.

PRESENTATIONS

a.) Presentation of a Proclamation in honor of Mr. Leo J. Costello, Fire Chief.

Mayor Frost read aloud and presented the proclamation for Mr. Costello and all applauded Mr. Costello for his service to the Borough.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Griffin then asked Mr. Manfredi to read and explain the items on the consent agenda.

- a.) **Approve and adopt the March 2 special public meeting, March 2 regular public meeting, March 12 special public meeting, and March 16 regular public meeting minutes.**
- b.) **Accept the March-ending Treasurer's Report.**
- c.) **Approve and adopt a Proclamation for the 2016 Relay for Life.**
- d.) **Authorize the Borough Manager to file a complaint against AMR Construction, Inc. for their outstanding business taxes.**
- e.) **Approve and adopt the revised complaint process for the federal CDBG and HOME programs.**
- f.) **Approve and adopt the revised DCED Minority and Women Business Enterprise programs.**
- g.) **Approve and adopt Resolution 2016-04 authorizing the submission of a grant application for the 2016 round of the Montco 2040 Implementation Grant Program.**
- h.) **Approve and adopt Resolution 2016-05, a resolution opposing House Bill 340 amending Title 65 *Public Officers*, Chapter 7 *Open Meetings* by, *Inter Alia*, requiring verbatim audio or video recording of executive sessions.**

Ms. Barton made a motion to approve items a.) through h.), seconded by Ms. Sokolowski. The motion carried 6-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a.) **Consider appointment to the Planning Commission unexpired term ending on December 31, 2017.**

Mr. Manfredi explained that Council had conducted interviews for the vacancy and that it would be appropriate for Council to consider one of those individuals for appointment to the Planning Commission.

Ms. Sokolowski made a motion to appoint Ms. Elizabeth Schreiner to the Planning Commission unexpired term ending on December 31, 2017, seconded by Ms. Leonard. The motion carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business for Council consideration.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment that evening and Mr. Griffin called for Council and the Mayor to share comment.

Ms. Sokolowski shared that Ward 3 residents received a letter about the re-greening of Hector Street and that she is beginning to receive feedback. Her objective is to review the feedback and to make a determination on whether to move forward as planned or if the plans will need to be adjusted to meet the needs of the residents. She thanked those that offered their feedback and encouraged others to do the same.

Ms. Barton reminded everyone to vote on Tuesday.

Mr. Manfredi again announced that there would be an executive session immediately following the meeting on real estate and legal matters.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard J. Manfredi,
Borough Secretary