

BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, December 21, 2022

PUBLIC MEETING

PRESENT: Colleen Leonard, Council President
Tina Sokolowski, Vice President
Anita Barton, Council Member
Stacy Ellam, Council Member
Kathleen Kingsley, Council Member
Adrian Serna, Council Member
Karen Tutino, Council Member
Yaniv Aronson, Mayor

ALSO PRESENT: Stephanie Cecco, Borough Manager
Michael E. Peters, Borough Solicitor

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting of the Conshohocken Borough Council duly advertised, was held at the Conshohocken Borough Hall, 400 Fayette Street, Conshohocken, PA. Ms. Leonard, Council President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Council President announcements.

PUBLIC COMMENT (for agenda items only)

There was no public comment pertaining to agenda items.

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

LAND USE MATTERS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

There were no land use matters, public hearings and ordinances.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Leonard read and reviewed the items included on the consent agenda.

- a.) **Approve and adopt the November 2 and November 16 Regular Meeting Minutes and the November 2 Special Meeting Minutes**
- b.) **Approve the November-ending Treasurer's Report and Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,089,718.73**
- c.) **Approve and adopt the FY2023 Budget**
- d.) **Approve and adopt Ordinance 13-2022 to levy real estate tax for 2023 and fix the rate thereof**

Mr. Serna made a motion to approve and adopt the November 2 and November 16 Regular Meeting Minutes and the November 2 Special Meeting Minutes, seconded by Ms. Kingsley. The motion carried 7-0.

Ms. Kingsley made a motion to approve the November-ending Treasurer's Report and Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,089,718.73, seconded by Mr. Serna. The motion carried 7-0.

Ms. Cecco reviewed 2022-year end fund balances.

Ms. Barton made a motion to approve and adopt the FY2023 Budget, seconded by Ms. Ellam. The motion carried 7-0.

Ms. Cecco explained millage per fund.

Mr. Serna made a motion to approve and adopt Ordinance 13-2022 to levy real estate tax for 2023 at 4.5 mills, seconded by Ms. Kingsley. The motion carried 7-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a.) **Consider approving and authorizing advertisement of the 2023 meeting schedules for Borough Council and Borough Boards & Commissions**

Ms. Ellam made a motion to approve and authorize advertisement of the 2023 meeting schedules for Borough Council, the EAC, the Mary Wood Park Commission and the Planning Commission, seconded by Ms. Sokolowski. The motion carried 7-0.

b.) Consider reappointing applicants to Borough Boards and Commissions

Ms. Kingsley made a motion to reappoint Bob Molony to the EAC, Liz MacNeal to the Planning Commission, George Bass to the Sewer Authority Board, Holly Holst to the Vacancy Board, Alan Chmielewski to the Zoning Hearing Board and Marlowe Doman to the Zoning Hearing Board, seconded by Ms. Barton. The motion carried 7-0.

c.) Consider approving an Addendum to the Animal Control Officer Agreement with Daywalt's Animal Control

Ms. Barton made a motion to approve an Addendum to the Animal Control Officer Agreement with Daywalt's Animal Control, seconded by Mr. Serna. The motion carried 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

a.) Consider approving the combined Police Collective Bargaining Agreement

Ms. Sokolowski made a motion to approve the combined Police Collective Bargaining Agreement which includes the existing Collective Bargaining Agreement and all addenda thereto contingent upon final review and approval by the Borough Manager and Borough Solicitor, seconded by Ms. Ellam. The motion carried 7-0.

b.) Consider authorizing the Montgomery County Saint Patrick's Parade Committee to hold the 2023 annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Conshohocken

Mr. Serna made a motion to authorize the Montgomery County Saint Patrick's Parade Committee to hold the 2023 annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Conshohocken on Saturday, March 11th with a rain date of March 25th, seconded by Ms. Barton. The motion carried 7-0.

c.) Consider approving the 2023 annual Conshy Classic 5K

Ms. Ellam made a motion to approve the 2023 annual Conshy Classic 5K to be held on Saturday, March 11th with a rain date of March 25th, seconded by Mr. Serna. The motion carried 7-0.

d.) Consider approving 340 East Ninth Avenue financial security escrow release no. 2 (final) in the amount of \$14,952.40

Ms. Barton made a motion to approve 340 East Ninth Avenue financial security escrow release no. 2 (final) in the amount of \$14,952.40, seconded by Ms. Ellam. The motion carried 7-0.

e.) Consider approving 51 Washington Street financial security escrow release no. 2 in the amount of \$1,001,281.95

Ms. Sokolowski made a motion to approve 51 Washington Street financial security escrow release no. 2 in the amount of \$1,001,281.95, seconded by Mr. Serna. The motion carried 7-0.

f.) Consider approving a Lease Agreement with the Sewer Authority for use of office space at Borough Hall

Mr. Peters reviewed the terms of the lease agreement. Ms. Sokolowski explained that relocating the Sewer Authority administrative offices to Borough Hall is beneficial to the Authority as it provides increased security for administrative employees and additional storage space at the plant.

Ms. Barton made a motion to authorize the approval of a Lease Agreement with the Sewer Authority for use of office space at Borough Hall contingent upon final review and approval by the Borough Manager and Borough Solicitor, seconded by Ms. Ellam. The motion carried 7-0.

COUNCIL AND MAYOR MATTERS

Mayor Aronson congratulated the winners of the Holiday House Decorating Contest and thanked everyone who participated. He shared pictures from the Senior Holiday Luncheon and the Menorah Lighting Ceremony.

Ms. Ellam wished everyone a happy holiday.

Ms. Barton wished everyone a happy and safe holiday.

Mr. Serna reflected on his first term as a Council member. He recognized his fellow Council members for approving a balanced budget that continues to provide services to the community without raising taxes.

Ms. Tutino wished everyone a happy holiday.

Ms. Leonard wished everyone a happy holiday.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Cecco,
Borough Secretary