

BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, March 1, 2023

PUBLIC MEETING

PRESENT: Colleen Leonard, Council President  
Tina Sokolowski, Council Vice-President  
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 7:01 PM.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ms. Leonard announced that an Executive Session was held immediately prior to the regularly scheduled public meeting on personnel, property and legal matters.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**a.) Presentation on Potential Shuttle Service RFP, Maureen Farrell and Stacey Weiss, GVF**

Ms. Leonard introduced Stacey Weiss, TDM Manager for GVF. Ms. Weiss provided some information about GVF, which is a non-profit transportation management association. She shared that GVF is partnering with the Borough to create a shuttle service for the community. Ms. Weiss explained that a survey was developed and issued to gauge travel patterns and provide analysis and recommendations. She provided an overview of the survey results. She discussed the purpose of the system, the proposed schedule and potential shuttle amenities. Ms. Weiss explained that the next step in the process is to issue an RFP for shuttle services. She discussed the draft RFP and discussed the RFP process and timeline.

**LAND USE MATTERS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES**

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

**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

There was no Council business.

**MANAGER MATTERS**

**a.) Consider appointing a Voting Delegate for the 2023 Annual PSAB Conference**

Ms. Cecco shared that Council Member Barton will be attending the 2023 Annual PSAB Conference and asked Council to consider appointing her to serve as the voting delegate at the conference.

**Mr. Serna made a motion to appoint Anita Barton as the Voting Delegate for the 2023 annual PSAB Conference, seconded by Ms. Kingsley. The motion carried 6-0. (Barton absent)**

**b.) Consider approving 124 West First Avenue financial security escrow release no. 1 in the amount of \$35,207.00**

**Mr. Serna made a motion to approve 124 West First Avenue financial security escrow release no. 1 in the amount of \$35,207.00, seconded by Ms. Sokolowski. The motion carried 6-0. (Barton absent)**

**c.) Consider approving Resolution 2023-08 approving a supplemental appropriation to the FY2023 budget**

Ms. Cecco shared that in FY2021, Borough Council budgeted \$31,207.75 for the purchase of 20 police body cameras. She explained that due to global supply chain issues, those cameras were ordered but were not received until 2023. She stated that \$31,207.75 is not budgeted for FY2023. Therefore, Ms. Cecco asked Council to consider approving a supplemental appropriation to the FY2023 capital budget to process the invoice for the police body cameras. She added that the Police Department is finalizing Department Policy for the cameras, and they will go live in April 2023.

**Ms. Sokolowski made a motion to approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$31,207.75 to fund the purchase of police body cameras that were an approved capital budget item in 2021, seconded by Ms. Kingsley. The motion carried 6-0. (Barton absent)**

**DEPARTMENT MATTERS**

There were no department matters.

**LEGAL MATTERS**

**a.) Discussion on the Borough's Cable Franchise Renewal with Verizon**

Mr. Peters shared that Cohen Law Group has reached an agreement with Verizon on a five (5) year Cable Franchise Renewal Agreement. He provided a summary of the major provisions contained in the new agreement. He explained that the agreement allows the Borough to assess a franchise fee of up to five percent (5%) of the cable operator's "gross revenue" received from cable services derived from the municipality. He discussed provisions related to termination of the agreement. Mr. Peters shared that the agreement includes customer service standards and reporting and record requirements. He explained that Verizon will provide one (1) Educational and Governmental Channel in high-definition format upon request by the Borough.

**COUNCIL MEMBER AND MAYOR MATTERS**

Mayor Aronson announced that St. Mark's is selling Easter egg candies to support the church. He shared that the Kiwanis Club hosted its annual Mardi Gras fundraiser to support children's charities in Conshohocken. He reminded everyone that the St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held on March 11, 2023.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Nina Lafferty, 121 West 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, voiced concerns about aggressive driving and stop sign violations in Conshohocken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Stephanie Cecco,  
Borough Secretary