

**MINUTES  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING  
JANUARY 20, 2016**

The Downingtown Borough Council met in regular session on January 20, 2016 at the Municipal Government Center, 4 W. Lancaster Ave., Downingtown, PA. Members present: President Gazzo, Vice President Rakoff, Councilors Dague, McGlone and Thomas. Also attending were Mayor Maxwell, Solicitor Donatelli and members of Borough staff. Councilor Feldman did not attend.

President Gazzo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Approval of Expenditures (Period Ending December 31, 2015)** – Councilor McGlone made a motion to approve the expenditures for the period ending December 31, 2015, Councilor Thomas seconded; motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Borough Council Minutes (January 4, 2016)** – Councilor McGlone made a motion to approve the Council minutes of January 4, 2016, Councilor Dague seconded; motion carried unanimously.

**Citizens to be Heard**

Georgio Malle, 149 E. Lancaster Ave., commented on a notice he received to remove banners on his property.

Kevin Zeeger, 127 Lake Dr., commented on the Borough's adoption of the amended ordinance regarding dogs in the Borough's parks.

**Deferred Business**

**Ordinance 2016-01 Amending Chaptr 274 Vehicles and Traffic** – Mr. Sullins informed Council there were three changes to be included in the ordinance which he reviewed. After discussing with the Solicitor, Mr. Sullins suggested adopting the ordinance as presented and amending it after readvertisement to incorporate the changes. Councilor Thomas made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-01, Vice President Rakoff seconded; motion carried 4-1 (Councilor Dague opposed).

**New Business**

**Conditional Use Hearing (Crowded Castle, Inc.)** - Solicitor Donatelli, opened the public hearing to consider the conditional use application submitted requesting approval of shared parking for a proposed taproom located at 115 Washington Ave., Downingtown. Solicitor Donatelli explained the hearing procedure and presented the Borough's exhibits. Testimony was provided by the applicant, questions were asked by Borough Council. Solicitor Donatelli then closed the hearing. Councilor McGlone made a motion to approve the conditional use application of Crowded Castle, Inc., Councilor Thomas seconded; motion carried unanimously.

*(Note: A transcript of the Conditional Use Hearing will be available for review at the Borough Administration office.)*

**Train Station Relocation (Section 4(f) Exception)** – Mr. Sullins reported PennDOT is proceeding with the relocation of the train station, they are proposing to install a second pedestrian bridge that would link Johnsontown Park to the new station across the Brandywine. The exception will be included in PennDOT's application for their environmental impact analysis for the bridge. Councilor Dague made a motion to approve the Section 4(f) Exception, Councilor McGlone seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Chestnut Street Bridge (Consultant Selection) – Mr. Yuhas reviewed the construction inspection portion of the project, he reported a task force has been established to review submissions for proposals to hire a firm to provide construction inspection services of the bridge project. Eight firms submitted proposals for the project based on specific PennDOT criteria. After reviewing the proposals and rating the specific criteria, the task force is recommending McCormick & Taylor be selected as the construction inspection consultant. Councilor Dague made a motion to approve McCormick & Taylor as the consultant to provide construction inspection services for the Chestnut Street Bridge project, Councilor McGlone seconded; motion carried unanimously.

### **Mayor & Council Updates**

Councilor Dague reported the Historic Commission is working on a World War II weekend in Kerr Park, it will not be a reenactment.

Councilor McGlone thanked Councilor Thomas and the Parks & Recreation Commission for their part in the Invasive Plan Removal day held in Kerr Park.

Councilor Thomas reported the first dog waste station has been placed in Kerr Park.

President Gazzerro announced the January 27<sup>th</sup> Council meeting is cancelled, the next meeting will be held on February 3.

### **Adjournment**

Councilor Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m., Councilor Dague seconded; motion carried unanimously.

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