

**MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 6, 2016**

The Downingtown Borough Council met in regular session on April 6, 2016 at the Municipal Government Center, 4 W. Lancaster Ave., Downingtown, PA. Members present: President Gazzo, Vice President Rakoff, Councilors Dague, McGlone, Thomas and Feldman. Also attending were Solicitor Thompson and members of Borough staff. Mayor Maxwell did not attend.

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

Approval of Expenditures (Period Ending March 31, 2016) – Councilor McGlone made a motion to approve the expenditures for the period ending March 31, 2016, Councilor Thomas seconded; motion carried 5-1 (Councilor Feldman opposed).

Approval of Borough Council Minutes (March 2, 2016) – Councilor Dague made a motion to approve the Council minutes of March 2, 2016, Councilor McGlone seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Citizens to be Heard

Dennis Walls, 153 Jefferson Ave., commented on the Jefferson Ave. lot permit parking and cost.

Wayne Brazzle, 171 Viaduct Ave., commented on the MS-4 Educational Meeting he attended regarding Stormwater Management.

Lee Captis, 515 Sunset Drive, commented on the Jefferson Ave. lot permit parking and rates.

Kelly Bane, 304 N. Lake Drive, commented on the electronic billboard erected on Norwood Rd.

Michelle Weatherly, 161 Jefferson Ave., commented on the Jefferson Ave. lot permit parking and rates.

P. J. Paden, 302 N. Lake Drive, commented on the electronic billboard erected on Norwood Rd.

Bobbie Broomell, 302 N. Lake Drive, commented on the electronic billboard erected on Norwood Rd.

Bram Kelly, 308 N. Lake Drive, commented on the electronic billboard erected on Norwood Rd.

Roy Pietrinferni, 121 E. Lancaster Ave., commented on Anthony's Pizza application for an Economic Development Liquor License.

Marlene Costello, 127 Jefferson Ave., commented on the parking problem on Jefferson Ave.

Georgio Malle, 149 E. Lancaster Ave., commented on the Downingtown Main Street Association and banners hanging on businesses.

Glenn Johnson, 157 Jefferson Ave., commented on the Jefferson Ave. lot permit parking and rates.

Glenn Johnson, Sr., 157 Jefferson Ave., commented on vehicles traveling through the "do not enter" sign posted on Jefferson Ave. to park their vehicles.

Deferred Business – Nothing to report.

New Business

Ordinance 2016-02 Amending Chapter 274 Vehicles & Traffic – Councilor McGlone made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-02, Vice President Rakoff seconded. After discussion, motion carried 5-1 (Councilor Feldman opposed).

Resolution 2016-05 Parking Fees – Councilor Feldman made a motion to table Resolution 2016-05 pending further information about parking fees, motion failed. Vice President Rakoff made a motion to adopt Resolution 2016-05, Councilor McGlone seconded. After discussion, Councilor Feldman made a secondary motion to reduce the Borough permit lot fees to \$180/year, \$90/six months, Councilor Thomas seconded. After discussion, President Gazzo asked for a vote on the secondary motion; motion failed 1-5 (President Gazzo, Vice President Rakoff, Councilors Dague, McGlone and Thomas opposed). President Gazzo asked for a vote on the main motion on the floor; motion carried 4-2 (Councilors Thomas and Feldman opposed).

Resolution 2016-06 PEMA Snow Removal Reimbursement – Councilor Feldman made a motion to approve the PEMA reimbursement submission, Councilor McGlone seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2016-07 Authorize Downingtown Library CRP Grant Application – Vice President Rakoff made a motion to approve the library's CRP grant application, Councilor Dague seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Comcast Franchise Agreement Renewal – Councilor Feldman made a motion to approve the Comcast Franchise Agreement renewal, Councilor McGlone seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Municibid Auction – Surplus vehicles, 3 Ford Crown Vics, 2 Public Works trucks and a pallet of assorted florescent light fixtures to be advertised for auction on Municibid. Councilor Thomas made a motion to advertise the items on Municibid, Councilor Feldman seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Alcohol Sales/Consumption – The Farmer's Market received interest from a vendor with a PLCB license wanting to sell wine and hard ciders. The Borough has other events in the Borough where alcohol is sold. Steve Plaucher reported to Council that a special event single day permit is submitted to the PLCB including fees and required liability insurance for events held where alcohol is sold. President Gazzo asked Council to submit their comments/suggestions to Steve for review by next Friday.

Mayor & Council Updates

Charlie Lang, Historic Commission Chairman, reported the WWII event has been postponed to next year. The dance will be held on Saturday, April 23 starting at 5:00 p.m.

Readers on the Run 5K Fundraiser for the Downingtown Library will be held on April 9, 2016.

Francine Dague has been selected as the Chamber of Commerce's Citizen of the Year.

The Borough newsletter is tentatively scheduled to be distributed during June 2016.

Councilor Feldman read a letter from a Borough resident thanking Jack Law and Public Works for their assistance removing a branch during a storm.

Mr. Sullins reported the brightness on the electronic billboard will be turned down once the bugs are worked out.

The Borough and the water authority have been working well together, a decision whether to keep the fluoride or remove it from the water will be determined in the future. Input from residents is appreciated.

Adjournment

Councilor McGlone made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m., Vice President Rakoff seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Millie Byerly
Assistant Secretary