

**MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 18, 2016**

The Downingtown Borough Council met in regular session on May 18, 2016 at the Municipal Government Center, 4 W. Lancaster Ave., Downingtown, PA. Members present: President Gazzo, Councilors Dague, McGlone, Thomas and Feldman. Also attending were Mayor Maxwell and members of Borough staff. Vice President Rakoff did not attend.

President Gazzo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the Executive Session was to discuss police personnel.

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

Citizens to be Heard

Georgio Malle, 149 E. Lancaster Ave., commented on a mid-block pedestrian crosswalk at the east end Borough lot, the fountain at first lake not being used and algae problem, he heard Armor Alley was going to be closed. He commented it can't close it is used for loading and unloading to surrounding businesses. He also commented on the tree by his restaurant.

Mr. Law responded and stated they are treating the lake with barley straw since it is natural and the fountain can't be used due to the algae level.

Bobbie Jo Broomell, 302 N. Lake Dr., commented in reference to the billboard, use of louvers and the elevation of Devon Circle and Farmhouse Road. Ms. Broomell stated she emailed Senator Dinniman and he requested a meeting with the residents.

Kelly Bane, 304 N. Lake Dr., commented in reference to the billboard and the tree buffer, she requested an update prior to June 1.

President Gazzo informed Ms. Bane, engineers working with Catalyst Outdoor will be looking at options and report their findings by June 1, no updates will be available prior to June 1.

Deferred Business

Downingtown Outdoor, LLC - Defer to June 1

Jefferson Ave. Borough Parking Lot – Defer to June 1

Ordinance 2016-03 Alcoholic Beverages Amendments – Councilor Thomas made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-03, Councilor McGlone seconded. The PLCB application and approval process must be completed prior to a vendor or organization requesting Borough Council's approval for sale/consumption of alcohol at events. After discussion, motion carried unanimously.

President Gazzo stated there is a permit request for Council's approval pending. Councilor Thomas made a motion to designate the Downingtown Farmer's Market as a special event status per amended Ordinance 2016-03, Councilor McGlone seconded. After discussion, motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Temporary sign approvals – no action taken.

DMWA Appointment - Councilor Feldman made a motion to reappoint Hank Hamilton to the Downingtown Municipal Water Authority, Councilor Dague seconded. Councilor Thomas made a secondary motion to table action until September 7, 2016, President Gazzo seconded. Councilor Thomas made a subsidiary motion to postpone action on a reappointment until September 7, 2016, President Gazzo seconded. President Gazzo asked for a vote of the motion on the floor to postpone action on a reappointment until September 7, 2016, motion carried 3-2 (Councilors Feldman and Dague opposed).

Mayor & Council Updates

Councilor McGlone reported the Block Party for the Playground is scheduled on June 5, information is available on the Borough website www.downingtown.org under "Upcoming Events".

Mayor Maxwell stated volunteers interested in serving on the DMWA Board will be required to submit resumés for review by the board. Qualified candidates will be interviewed and recommendations for appointment submitted to Borough Council.

Kelly Bane, 304 N. Lake Dr., asked if the qualifications of candidates would be available to the residents, will the newsletter be accessible online and if there are plans to update the Borough's website.

Georgio Malle, 149 E. Lancaster Ave., asked if there are qualifications to be met by candidates.

President Gazzo read the list of residents, Council members, staff and solicitor who were emailed status updates regarding the electronic billboard.

Adjournment

Councilor McGlone made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m., Councilor Dague seconded; motion carried unanimously.

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