

**MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 19, 2016**

The Downingtown Borough Council met in regular session October 19, 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 O'Keefe and members of Borough staff. Mayor Maxwell did not attend.

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

Recognition/Awards - None

Approval of Borough Council Minutes (October 5, 2016) – Councilor Dague made a motion to approve the minutes of October 5, 2016, Councilor McGlone seconded; motion carried 5-0 (Councilor Feldman abstained, she did not attend the meeting).

Citizens to be Heard

Georgio Malle, 149 E. Lancaster Ave., commented on repairs of sidewalks, who is responsible and a DMSA agreement regarding sidewalks.

Andrew Follett, Severgn Dr., Lionville, commented on his interest in establishing a cannabis business within the Borough.

Deferred Business

Code Revisions to Chapter 249 Streets & Sidewalks – Mr. Yuhas reviewed the ordinance amendments proposed to comply with current regulations and clarify issues we have had over the past several years. After discussion, Councilor Dague made a motion to advertise with the intent to adopt the code revisions, Councilor Thomas seconded. Councilor Feldman made a secondary motion to table action until there is confirmation whether there is a prior maintenance agreement by the Borough; motion failed. President Gazzo asked for a vote of the motion on the floor to advertise with the intent to adopt, motion carried 5-1 (Councilor Feldman opposed).

New Business

DMSA Beer Garden (Dash of the Living Dead 5K After Party) – Councilor Dague made a motion to approve the DMSA Beer Garden, Vice President Rakoff seconded; motion carried 5-1 (Councilor Feldman opposed).

Bridge Replacement Update – The Chestnut Street Bridge is on schedule for the bid advertisement during the first quarter of 2017.

PennDOT will be providing an update during November regarding the Lancaster Ave. Bridge Rehabilitation Project.

River Station (East Side) Sheriff Sale – An intervenor for a stay was filed and the request was denied. PennDOT has agreed not to condemn the entire site, they are working with the Hankin Group to complete a simple purchase at an agreed price for parking for the new train station.

Executive Session

President Gazzo read the resignation letter submitted by Erin O'Connor effective November 1, 2016. Councilor Dague made a motion to accept Erin O'Connor's resignation letter, Vice President Rakoff seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Mayor & Council Updates

Downingtown Library book sale, additional information available on their web site www.downingtownlibrary.org.

Home for the Holidays information will be available on the Borough's e-newsletter, residents may also subscribe on the Borough's web site www.downingtown.org.

Borough Trick or Treating is scheduled for Monday, October 31, 2016 from 6-8 p.m., additional information available at www.downingtown.org.

The appeal of the Kardon Park East Caln Twp. conditional use was denied.

President Gazzo announced the October 26, 2016 Borough Council meeting is canceled, next meeting will be held on November 2.

Adjournment

Vice President Rakoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m., Councilor Dague seconded; motion carried unanimously.

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Assistant Secretary