

**MINUTES  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 20, 2017**

The Downingtown Borough Council met in regular session September 20, 2017 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 O'Keefe and members of Borough staff. Councilor Feldman did not attend.

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

**Recognition/Awards** – None

**Approval of Borough Council Minutes (September 6, 2017)** – Councilor McGlone made a motion to approve the Borough Council minutes of September 6, 2017, Councilor Dague seconded; motion carried unanimously.

**Citizens to be Heard**

Georgio Malle, 149 E. Lancaster Ave., commented on the fee in lieu of parking costs and the overgrown street trees needing to be trimmed.

Jamie Manos, 112 Brandywine Ave., commented on the Brandywine Avenue PECO gas line work taking place throughout the night and impact on her sleep schedule.

Paul Mogle, 112 Brandywine Ave., commented on PECO's gas line work on Brandywine Avenue throughout the night.

Sarah Brown, E. Brandywine Twp., commented whether action would be taken regarding Resolution 2017-10 LERTA Act 76.

**Deferred Business**

Pennsylvania Avenue Mid-Block Crosswalk – Defer

**New Business**

Parking Ordinance Amendments – Mr. Sullins reviewed the proposed amendments to Chapter 274 Vehicles & Traffic. After discussion, Vice President Rakoff made a motion to advertise with the intent to adopt Ordinance 2017-08 Amending Chapter 274 Vehicles and Traffic, Councilor McGlone seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2017-10 LERTA Act 76 - Mr. Sullins explained LERTA is a tax credit program to exempt improvements to certain deteriorated industrial, commercial and other business properties. The proposed tax credits will be split between the Borough, County and DASD. No action is needed on the resolution at this time.

Ordinance 2017-08 LERTA Act 76 – Councilor McGlone made a motion to advertise with the intent to adopt Ordinance 2017-08, Councilor Dague seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Downingtown Library (Update) – Deborah Miles, President - Downingtown Library Board of Directors, provided an update on the current parking lot improvements. Also, there has been an increase of 34% in the library's usage from last year, additional staff was hired and they continue their fundraising efforts. The library's final mortgage payment to the Borough will be paid prior to the end of the month.

### **Mayor & Council Updates**

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Fest will be held on September 24 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., additional information is available at [www.downingtownfallfest.com](http://www.downingtownfallfest.com).

Councilor Dague reported the Historic Commission's Arts & Craft Fair was very successful. Councilor Dague wished all the Jewish members of the community a happy Rosh Hashanah.


Councilor McGlone reported the Parks & Rec Commission is hosting an event on October 28 at Kerr Park, Boo Bash from 4-8 p.m., two movies will be shown; additional details will be posted under Upcoming Events on the Borough's website [www.downingtown.org](http://www.downingtown.org).

The Mayor's 5K is scheduled on October 14, additional information available on the Borough's website under Upcoming Events [www.downingtown.org](http://www.downingtown.org).

President Gazzo announced the September 27 Borough Council meeting is canceled, next meeting will be held on October 4, 2017.

### **Adjournment**

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



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