

**MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 21, 2018**

The Downingtown Borough Council met in regular session March 21, 2018 at the Municipal Government Center, 4 W. Lancaster Ave., Downingtown, PA. Members present: President Gazzo, Vice President Rakoff, Councilors Dague, Feldman and Thomas. Also attending were members of Borough staff. Councilor McGlone and Mayor Maxwell did not attend.

President Gazzo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. An Executive Session was held this evening at 6:30 pm to discuss personnel.

Recognition/Awards – None

Approval of Expenditures (Period Ending February 28, 2018) – Councilor Thomas made a motion to approve the expenditures for the period ending February 28, 2018, Councilor Dague seconded; Councilor Feldman made a secondary motion to remove the Gawthrop Greenwood legal bills and vote on those separately, no second to the motion; motion failed. After a brief discussion on other expenditures, President Gazzo called for a vote of the motion on the floor, motion carried 4-1; Councilor Feldman opposed.

Approval of Borough Council Minutes (February 21, 2018) – Councilor Dague made a motion to approve the Borough Council minutes of February 21, 2018, Vice President Rakoff seconded; motion carried 4-1; Councilor Feldman abstained.

Citizens to be Heard - None

Deferred Business

Ordinance 2018-01 Jefferson Avenue Residential Parking - Deferred

New Business

Police - Conditional Offers of Employment – President Gazzo asked for a motion to authorize the hiring of Charles Paul Currie and Christopher William Scavichio conditioned on successfully passing their psychological evaluations. Councilor Dague made the motion, Councilor Thomas seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2018-02 Woodbine Road Lot #3 Sewer Planning Module – Councilor Feldman made a motion to authorize the revision of the Borough's Sewer Planning Module to include Woodbine Road Lot #3, Councilor Dague seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Beer Garden (Station Tap Room / Bottle Room Anniversary) - Vice President Rakoff made a motion to approve the beer garden for May 19, 2018, located in the Stuart Avenue parking lot, Councilor Thomas seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Beer Garden (DMSA Summer Jam Series in Kerr Park) – Vice President Rakoff made a motion to approve the Summer Jam Series Beer Garden for June 29, July 27 and August 31, 2018, Councilor Dague seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Update – Borough Manager Sullins gave a brief update and answered several questions from Council on the status of the Chestnut Street Bridge and Lancaster Avenue Bridge projects.

Mayor & Council Updates

Councilor Dague advised Council of his Town Hall meeting to update residents on current happenings in the Borough and his Green Energy meeting promoting clean energy concepts. He also requested further evaluation on providing tax credits to volunteer fire fighters.

Councilor Feldman provided a brief update on the Kardon Park litigation and also discussed the recent removal of the Brandywine Creek Dam and how it will affect the raceway that fed the ponds located in the Borough. Councilor Feldman also discussed the historic nature of the raceway and future issues that may arise from the dam removal.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,



Stephen Sullins, Borough Manager/Secretary