

HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL  
WORKSHOP MEETING  
October 5, 2016

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

- (X) John H. Weierman, President
- (X) Kenneth V. Farrall
- (X) Stephen E. Keib
- (X) John Kroesser
- (X) Lawrence G. Stevens
  
- (X) Mayor, Robert L. Kaler III

The record shows that five members of Council were present at roll call, as well as, Mayor Robert L. Kaler III, Solicitor Catherine M. Harper, Timoney Knox LLP, Borough Manager Michael J. DeFinis and Assistant Secretary Jaime E. Snyder.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA:

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Keib to Approve the Workshop Meeting Agenda of October 5, 2016 with additions. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Farrall and was unanimously approved with a vote of 5-0.

2. PUBLIC INPUT: President Weierman asked if there was any Public Input.  
No Public Input.  
Media Not Present.

3. Zoning Hearing Board Meeting Notice:

Manager DeFinis discussed the ZHB Decision made on October 4, 2016 for Schiano Properties in reference to 350 W. Board Street.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Manager DeFinis made the following announcements:

- Next Council Meeting October 19, 2016 Regular Meeting @ 7:30PM at the Hatfield Vol. Fire Co.
- HERC is scheduled to meet Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00AM at the Hatfield Vol. Fire Co.
- The Planning Commission is scheduled to meet Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup> @ 7:00PM at the Hatfield Vol. Fire Co.

- Public Power Week is scheduled for October 2, 2016 - October 8, 2016
- Fire Prevention Week is scheduled for October 9, 2016 - October 15, 2016
- Hatfield Vol. Fire Co. Open House is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00PM
- The Borough Office will be Closed Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> in Observance of Columbus Day

## 5. REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES AND MAYOR:

President Weierman spoke about the Strategic Planning Meeting.

Lieutenant Robertson addressed the Police Report.

## 6. MANAGERS REPORT / MUNICIPAL COMPLEX UPDATE: General Report and Project Updates. Manager DeFinis reviewed the Reports and made the following announcements:

### 1. Land Use & Development Updates:

- A. St. Mary St. Kyrillos Coptic Church / Sewer Escrow Under Review
- B. GLC (Grace Lutheran Church) / Under Construction
- C. Gambone/Snyder Townhomes / Utility Billing – Resolved Final 6 Construction Permit issued for Borough Portion of the Project.
- D. Hatfield Auto Museum / Nothing New
- E. Crystal Rose Catering / Nothing New
- F. Hattricks / Waiver of LD Request Granted / Bar enclosure installed under a building permit / Flea Market Approval Pending
- G. 122 ½ Towamencin Ave. / Access to Property / Nothing New

### 2. Utility Billing Update:

- A. Staff continues to monitor past due Electric & Sewer accounts. Electric disconnects are scheduled for October 19<sup>th</sup>.
- B. Email Billing available for Electric & Sewer Accounts. I encourage all account holders to take advantage of the cost effective billing delivery opportunity.

### 3. Utility Review:

- A. Two Sanitary Sewer Laterals have been repaired. A third is scheduled for repair in September.

### 4. 2016 Project Updates:

- A. Bid Items for 2016:
  - Towamencin Avenue Reconstruction, bid ready for advertisement- waiting for Multimodal Grant
  - Electric Circuit Reclosers installation in September
  - Centennial Park Sanitary Sewer Repairs reviewed completed

## 5. Municipal Complex Update

### 6: Attachments:

- A. NPWA Tank Painting Letter to Residents
- B. MCBA meeting Schedule 2016-2020
- C. DVIT Trust Reward & Dividend Payment
- D. NEXTEra ENERGY Public Power Summit save the Date
- E. Zoning Terms

### 7. Items of Interest:

- A. HMHS Meeting Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> HVFC 7:30PM

### 7. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. MCBA October 27, 2016 Royersford

President Weierman mentioned the MCBA October scheduled dinner.

- B. Resolution 2016-26 PA Small Water and Sewer Grant

Manager DeFinis stated that this is for the North Main Street sewer project for 2017.

- C. Resolution 2016-27 AMP Solar Project II

Solicitor Harper stated she went over the Resolution and will get her opinion to Council.

- D. Ordinance / Satellite Dishes, Solar Panels, Impervious Coverage

Solicitor Harper went over the proposed Ordinance. She stated that we are trying to allow solar equipment and satellite dishes and their placement on property in the Borough. Solicitor Harper stated that in most places, these solar panels would be used to sell back electric to the grid but the Borough is not required to buy it back.

Solicitor Harper mentioned the placement of satellite dishes on the property; this will be an accessory use.

Manager DeFinis stated that at the Planning Commission Meeting it was discussed that if you restrict the number per building, have you put a burden on residents and owners?

A discussion ensued amongst Council about the number of dishes per building and the removal of any unused satellite dishes and adding a time frame for the requested removal. Council also discussed the placement of the satellite dishes on the property.

The Zoning Ordinance was also discussed in relation to the placement of Satellite dishes on the property and number of dishes per unit. Council also discussed the chart / tables in the Zoning Ordinance which represent impervious coverage and being consistent over all districts.

HERC and Façade improvements grants were also discussed by Borough Council.

Solicitor Harper stated she would go back and make the discussed revisions for next meeting.

#### E. Ordinance / Truck Traffic Restrictions

Manager DeFinis stated that this is the product after we did a total review of the truck traffic restriction study by McMahon which noted a few changes.

Solicitor Harper stated she sent this to McMahon, Borough heard back it looks good, we will advertise this for approval next meeting.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve Advertising for the Truck Traffic Restrictions. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Keib.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions.

Councilmember Keib asked about including the map from the McMahon study into the official Ordinance.

The motion was approved unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

#### F. 2016 Fall Festival & Car Show Recap

President Weierman noted the recap from the Fall Festival & Car Show. The winning cars were discussed.

## G. Rick Lee Retirement

Manager DeFinis stated Rick Lee is retiring from DVIT and Council decided that they would like to present him with a Resolution for this honor.

## 8. OLD BUSINESS:

## A. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Manager DeFinis and President Weierman updated and answered questions regarding the Reports and Correspondence.

- Monthly Investment Report
- Monthly EIT / LST Report
- Police Department Report
- Fire Department Report
- Public Works Department Report
- Engineering Report
- Fire Safety Inspection Report
- Zoning Officer / Property Maintenance Report
- Building Code Enforcement Officer Report

## 9. ACTION ITEMS:

## 10. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Keib to adjourn the Workshop Meeting of October 5, 2016. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Farrall and unanimously approved with a vote of 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:50PM.

*Executive Session Personnel, Litigation and Real Estate*

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jaime E. Snyder  
Assistant Secretary