

HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
January 16, 2019

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

- (X) John H. Weierman, President
 - (X) Kenneth V. Farrall
 - (X) Jason Ferguson
 - (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 Manager Jaime E. Snyder.

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA:

Solicitor Harper informed Council that Edinburgh Square / Caracausa Development did provide the Borough with an extension and suggested that Borough Council should remove Action Item B from tonight's meeting Agenda.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve the Regular Meeting Agenda of January 16, 2019 with corrections and additions. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser and unanimously approved with a vote of 5-0.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the December 5th Workshop and December 19th Regular Meetings

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve the Minutes of the December 5th Workshop and December 19th Regular Meetings. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser and unanimously approved with a vote of 5-0.

3. PUBLIC INPUT: President Weierman asked if there was any Public Input.

No Public Input.

Media Not Present.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Manager DeFinis made the following announcements:

- Next month's Council Meetings January 30th (February Workshop) & February 20th Regular Meeting @ 7:30PM at the HVFC
- HERC is scheduled to meet January 23rd @ 8:00AM at the HVFC
- The February Planning Commission is scheduled to meet January 28th @ 7:00PM HVFC
- HMHS is scheduled to meet on January 22nd @ 7:00PM at the HVFC
- Hatfield Chamber of Commerce Luncheon is to be held on January 28th @ 12:00PM at the Hatfield Township Community Room

5. OLD BUSINESS:

A. PMEA

Manager DeFinis stated that thirty-three of the thirty-five municipalities have adopted the Resolution for the new bylaws, fee schedule and hiring of a full-time Executive Director. Manager DeFinis explained that the next step would be to form an Executive Committee which will serve as the Board of Directors for PMEA. Manager DeFinis explained this process and asked Borough Council if they would like to be considered for a spot on the Board of Directors. A discussion ensued amongst Borough Council and Manager DeFinis was informed to contact PMEA and share the Borough's interest in being considered for a seat on the board.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. SEPTA License Agreement Extension

Manager DeFinis stated that from his understanding the federal shutdown has had some affects on SEPTA and their availability to come up with the full-term agreement until they are back to work. Manager DeFinis stated that he spoke with Salter's and they are on board with the extension until this matter is resolved.

B. Police Report (November – January)

Lieutenant Robertson was present and shared with Council and Mayor Kaler the police reports from November through January. She explained how the new reporting system still has a few glitches but once it is completely up and running the system will be make easier for departments to share information and create more detailed reports. She added the need for "paper street" names as a request for this system. A discussion ensued with the Lieutenant and Council regarding the truck traffic in the Borough.

Manager DeFinis informed Council about an address question that was brought to his attention regarding N. Market Street vs. Market Street. Manager DeFinis stated that he has seen the street referred to as N. Market in the tax documents and at the County. Manager DeFinis added that he will continue to keep Council updated on this situation.

7. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Motion to Consider Resolution 2019-01 the Heckler-Pletscher Plan of Simple Conveyance

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve Resolution 2019-01 the Heckler-Pletscher Plan of Simple Conveyance. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions. There were no comments or questions.

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

B. Motion to Consider Amending the SEPTA License Agreement

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve Amending the SEPTA License Agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions. There were no comments or questions.

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

C. Motion to Consider Appointing Katelyn Farrall to the Pool Advisory Board

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Stevens to Approve Appointing Katelyn Farrall to the Pool Advisory Board. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions. There were no comments or questions.

The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-1.
Councilmember Farrall abstained from the vote.

D. Motion to Consider Payment Request No. 9 for the Municipal Complex to E.R. Stuebner in the amount of \$317,897.72

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to Approve Payment Request No. 9 for the Municipal Complex to E.R. Stuebner in the amount of \$317,897.72. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions. There were no comments or questions.

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

8. MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS:

President Weierman and Manager DeFinis reviewed and answered questions regarding the bill list.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Farrall to approve payment of the bills. The motion was seconded Councilmember Stevens.

President Weierman asked if there were any comments or questions. There were no comments or questions.

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

9. MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Kroesser to adjourn the Regular Meeting of January 16, 2019.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Farrall and unanimously approved with a vote of 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:59PM.

Executive Session Litigation and Personnel

Respectfully Submitted,
Jaime E. Snyder
Assistant Manager