

HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MEETING
December 2, 2009

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

- (X) John H. Weierman, President
- () Kenneth V. Farrall
- (X) John Kroesser
- (X) Bryan A. Moyer
- (X) Lawrence G. Stevens
- (X) Mayor, Robert L. Kaler III

The record shows that four members of Council were present at roll call, as well as, Borough Manager, Michael J. DeFinis, Mayor, Robert L. Kaler, III, Solicitor Catherine M. Harper and Assistant Secretary Linda L. watts. There was no media representation.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA:

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Stevens to approve the Agenda of December 2, 2009 with one addition. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Moyer and unanimously approved with a vote of 4-0.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Manager, DeFinis made the following announcements.

- The Borough Office will be closed Thursday and Friday December 24 & 25, in observance of the Christmas Holiday.
- The Borough Office will be closed on December 31, 2009 and January 1, 2010 in observance of the New Year's Holiday.
- Next Council meeting is December 16, Regular Meeting at 7:30 P.M.
- HERC will meet December 17, 2009 at 8:00 A.M.
- The December Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for November 30, 2009 at 7:00 P.M.
- The Reorganization Meeting is January 4, 2010 at 7:00 PM.

3 REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:

Recycling Committee: Mayor Kaler, III, informed Council the Legislative luncheon is scheduled for Friday December 4, 2009.

Public Safety: President Weierman discussed the issues of the borough alleys conditions during the snow season.

Manager DeFinis informed Council the Public Works crew will be filling in pot holes in the alleys.

Manager DeFinis informed Council the Public Works Department has available 350 tons of salt for the snow season.

Manager DeFinis informed Council the new dump truck for the Public Works Department should arrive within the next two weeks and Solicitor Harper has reviewed the lease purchase.

4. MANAGER'S REPORT: Manager, DeFinis made the following announcements.

General Report and Project Updates.

1. Please take time over the next several months to review ordinance updates for codification.
2. The Borough Engineer Bursich is currently working on identifying the sewer lateral to be repaired under the Army Corps of Engineers project. Solicitor Harper is currently reviewing the Right of Entry for Construction Agreement. The Engineer understands the guidelines. The work will be posted on HTV to keep residents up to date on the work and residents will be notified and the project will be in the borough Informer.
3. The Reorganization meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2010 at 7:00 PM. All reappointments are scheduled for this meeting as well.
4. This weekend there are many community events, starting with the Chamber Prayer Breakfast, the Tree Lighting Ceremony and HERC has partnered with Lansdale Amusement to host an open house from 12:00 to 5:00 PM. The Borough brunch is scheduled for 1:00 PM Sunday.
5. The Bank change over effective January 1, 2010 was mailed out to resident with the electric bill. Information is also posted in the vestibule and at TD Bank and on HTV. All institutions with ACH deposits to the Borough will be contacted by years end.
6. Excavation work drainage work has started on the parking lot area at the Trolley Stop.

Manager DeFinis answered questions on over-seeing the excavation project work at the Trolley Stop.

Manager DeFinis informed Council he met with property owners regarding posting individual sign on their property in coordination with the Borough sign.

Public Input: Chief Kaler, III made the following announcements:

- Chief Kaler, III, updated Council on the Emergency training he attended regarding Title 35, Act 93.

- The Volunteer Fire Company also attended a seminar given by DVWC on minimizing work related injuries.
- Chief Kaler, III has obtained information on a State Grant.
- Santa will be in town on December 19, 2009. .

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS: Manager DeFinis made the following announcements:

- Chestnut Street Bridge Project Update
- 2010 Meeting Schedule
- Resolution #2009-35 approving employee compensation for 2010.
- Budget Review / Resolution #2009-36 appropriating specific sums estimated to be required for the municipal government hereinafter set forth during the year 2010.
- State Bill 168.

Manager DeFinis updated Council on the Chestnut Street Bridge Project bids. The bids will be acted on at the December 16, 2009 Regular Meeting.

Manager DeFinis and Council reviewed the 2010 Meeting Schedule. HERC and the Task Force dates will be added to the Borough calendar.

The required resolutions and ordinances will be acted on at the December 16, 2009 Regular Meeting.

Manager DeFinis updated Council on the Borough's EIT figures.

President Weierman, Manager DeFinis and Solicitor Harper updated Council on State Bill 168 concerning AMP Ohio hydro plants.

6. NEW BUSINESS: There was no New Business.

7. Action Item

Motion to advertise Ordinance #480 Fixing the real estate tax rate for the fiscal year of 2010.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Stevens to advertise Ordinance #480 Fixing the real estate tax rate for the fiscal year of 2010. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Moyer and unanimously approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-33 Recognizing the Hatfield Volunteer Fire Company as the Hatfield Borough Person of The Year.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Moyer to approve Resolution #2009-33 Recognizing the Hatfield Volunteer

Fire Company as the Hatfield Borough Person of The Year. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stevens and unanimously approved with a vote of 4-0.

Motion to approve Resolution #2009-34 Authorizing the Surety bond and Custom Insurance Policy for the Hatfield Borough Tax Collector Nancy DeFinis.

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Moyer to approve Resolution #2009-34 Authorizing the Surety Bond and Custom Insurance Policy for the Hatfield Borough Tax Collector Nancy DeFinis. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser and unanimously approved with a vote of 4-0.

OTHER BUSINESS: President Weierman updated Council on the following Other Business:

- Appointments for the Planning Commission Terms.
- Borough Brunch is Sunday December 6, 2009.
- The Flyers on December 17, 2009
- The Police Report for the month was normal.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: A motion was made by Councilmember Moyer to adjourn the meeting of December 2, 2009. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroesser and unanimously approved with a vote of 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Executive Session

Respectfully Submitted
Linda L. Watts, Assistant Secretary