

**BOROUGH OF COLLEGEVILLE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
December 2, 2015 Meeting**

Mrs. Stagliano noted that Borough Council had an Executive Session prior to Council Meeting to discuss a legal matter.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL: Stagliano, Braun, Mann, Rees, Kernen, Tulio, Keenan and Mayor Stagliano

Also present were Borough Manager, Geoffrey Thompson, Borough Engineer Dave Leh and Borough Solicitor Mark Hosterman and Police Chief Bucher

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION by Mr. Mann to approve the November 4, 2015 meeting minutes; second by Mr. Braun.
Motion carries 7-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streets, Roads, Lighting Committee: - No Report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

MOTION by Mr. Mann to approve check numbers 1157 through 1222 plus all transfers; seconded by Mr. Rees. ***Motion carries 7-0.***

The beginning balance in the General Fund checking account was \$43,140.65; disbursements were \$225,887.18; receipts were \$236,379.16, leaving an ending balance of \$53,632.63. Total funds available are \$736,829.57.

MOTION by Mr. Mann to approve the Treasurer's Report; seconded by Mr. Rees. ***Motion carries 7-0.***

CTMA/PUBLIC WORKS: Mr. Mann reported that the Public Works budget needs to be approved this evening. There is a deficit which was discussed. There is a rate increase for water to \$3.50 per 1000 gallon with a minimum of 5000 gallons. The rate increase is a little under 8%. There were two other increases that were approved. The Borough work increases are grass mowing from \$25.00 per hour to \$30.00 per hour and other borough work increases from \$40.00 per hour to \$45.00 per hour.

The CTMA budget also reflects the 5% rate increase for the sewer rate.

In order to increase the water rates action by Borough Council is needed, therefore, Borough Council needs to vote on Resolution No. 2015-09.

MOTION by Mr. Mann to approve Resolution No. 2015-09; seconded by Mr. Rees. ***Motion carries 7-0.***

MOTION by Mr. Mann to approve the Public Works budget; seconded by Mr. Rees. ***Motion carries 7-0.***

Planning Commission: No Report.

CPVRPC: Ms. Kernan reported that recycling electronics information was heard.

Parks Committee: No Report. Mr. Mann suggested using parks money to repair the flag pole at the park.

Public Safety Committee: No Report.

Personnel Committee: No Report.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Engineer: Mr. Leh reported that last month the application was submitted to DEP for the Eleventh Avenue Culvert; no comments have been received from DEP as yet. He could possibly hear something from DEP in January.

Solicitor: Mr. Hosterman reported that he is in receipt of the executed deeds of dedication from the Collegeville Fire Company for the Main Street and the Park Avenue Right-of-Way.

Manager/Zoning Officer: Our Winter Red Cross Blood Drive will be held on December 22nd at the Fire Company.

Police: Report on file. Chief Bucher read the report.

Fire: Report on file. Gary Sassaman read the report.

Ambulance Report: No Report.

Mayor: No Report.

MOTION by Ms. Tulio to approve the Committee and Administrative Reports; second by Mr. Keenan. ***Motion carries 7-0.***

Public Discussion: David Leverich, 241 Richard Way – Regarding deer strikes, is there any method, such as a horn or a whistle, which will prevent deer strikes?

Ray Korenkiewicz, Ursinus College – He is reminding borough council that Ursinus will be submitting a resolution for phase II of the Main Street Improvements.

Gary Sassaman, Collegeville Fire Company – How many accidents involve the portion of Main Street from Fifth Avenue to Ninth Avenue?

ACTION ITEMS:

Consideration of the 2016 Final Budget – MOTION by Mr. Braun to approve the 2016 final budget; seconded by Mr. Mann. *Motion carries 7-0.*

Consideration of Ordinance No. 574, Authorizing a Loan Agreement with Montgomery County for the Purchase of Emergency Radios – MOTION by Ms. Tulio to adopt Ordinance No. 574; seconded by Mr. Braun. *Motion carries 7-0.*

Consideration of Ordinance No. 575, the 2016 Real Estate Tax – There is no change to the tax rate of 4 mils.

MOTION by Mr. Rees to adopt Ordinance No. 575; seconded by Mr. Braun. *Motion carries 7-0.*

Consideration of Ordinance No. 576, Water Shutoff Procedures for Non-Payment - MOTION by Ms. Tulio to adopt Ordinance No. 576; seconded by Mr. Braun. *Motion carries 7-0.*

Consideration of Ordinance No. 577, Accepting Dedication of Park Avenue Right-of-Way – MOTION by Mr. Mann to adopt Ordinance No. 577; seconded by Ms. Tulio. *Motion carries 7-0.*

Consideration of the Council and Planning Commission Meeting Dates for 2016 – MOTION by Ms. Tulio to adopt the Council and Planning Commission Meeting Dates for 2016; seconded by Mr. Mann. *Motion carries 7-0.*

OTHER BUSINESS:

Discussion of the Freeland Avenue and Route 29 Intersection – Mr. Thompson discussed this. PennDOT's procedures require a traffic count and the plan would need to be re-engineered. To officially request PennDOT to do the traffic count and re-engineering for a dedicated left turn arrow into Freeland Drive, PennDOT requires a resolution to be passed.

MOTION by Ms. Tulio to approve Resolution No. 2015-08; seconded by Ms. Kernen. *Motion carries 7-0.*

OTHER BUSINESS – Ms. Kernen reported on upcoming CEDC events.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF COUNCIL –

There being no additional business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Geoffrey D. Thompson, Manager/Secretary