

## REGULAR MEETING

CAMP HILL

BOROUGH COUNCIL

April 11, 2018

7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Call to Order  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Moment of Silent Reflection  
Roll Call

Mike Berney  
Rich Guerin-not present  
Peter Robelen  
Carl Schultz  
Kim Snell-Zarcone  
Leigh Twiford  
Zach Williard

President Robelen called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. He also announced there had been an Executive Session on March 19, 2018 to address personnel matters.

### MINUTES

Ms. Twiford made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 14th, 2018 Borough Council Meeting. Ms. Snell-Zarcone seconded and it passed with all in favor.

### MAYOR'S REPORT

No report.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1. Marlisa Murray, 69 N. 31<sup>st</sup> St.-** Ms. Murray has concerns about traffic flow with the Quattro Project on 31<sup>st</sup> St. She would like to have a right only exit from the rear parking lot, 31<sup>st</sup> Street to be only one way going north from the rear exit and she also does not want left turns to be allowed from the southbound lane of the bypass during high traffic times such as 4-9pm. She believes that property values will go down with this project and the larger flow of traffic will impact the safety and deterioration of the neighborhood. She also feels the traffic study done should have been seen by the residents because PennDot has told her that a cut through on the bypass has not been

applied for by the borough or Quattro Development and due to the bypass being a state road, PennDot should take responsibility for the larger flow of traffic. She thinks the cut through would alleviate any traffic problems concerning this project and the residential neighborhood it would impact.

- 2. David Lanza, 3002 Market St.**-Mr. Lanza stated he was an attorney and represented Ms. Murray and questioned allowing Quattro Development to push this project to approval so quickly that every aspect of the project is not being addressed. He feels the cut through Ms. Murray had referenced will take time and expense but the borough should require the developer to try to address this due to the limited traffic study that has yet to be seen, yet will be proposed at the next Planning Commission meeting. He believes now is the time to regulate the traffic patterns, before the project is approved, not after as the developer is suggesting.
- 3. Sandra Smith, 3 N. 30<sup>th</sup> St.**-Ms. Smith feels the 3 restaurants proposed in the 31<sup>st</sup> Street/VA Hospital project will need dumpsters with cinderblock walls to keep animal infestation at a minimum. She also feels that the southbound traffic making left hand turns could be a serious problem, just as the Sunoco gas station left turns had been in the past.
- 4. Bonnie Bentz, 3015 Columbia Ave.**-Ms. Bentz wanted to make sure that the council realized that the No Left Turns signs on Harvard, Yale, Columbia, Dickinson Avenues and Bramar Road were erected to protect school children on their walk to school. She also is concerned about the layout of the newly zoned commercial expansion on Columbia Ave. and feels that the residential houses on Columbia should be separate from that commercial zoning.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

Mayor Simpson provided both the Police and Fire Department reports. In the month of March there were 923 police calls and 30 fire department calls. He also reported that the police chief search is underway with the help of the Police Chiefs Association. A large amount of applications have been received and the Police Chiefs Association will choose the top 6 candidates with interviews to follow.

Chief Kidman reported that since January 2018 there have been 2 Opioid-related overdoses and 4 Heroin possession arrests.

Ms. Snell-Zarcone reported that there have been one confirmed rabies case and one possible rabies case found in the borough. She would like residents to call police if an animal seems to be affected and warn their children about rabid animals.

## **BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Dennis reported that the Planning Commission will be meeting with Quattro Development and Smith Land & Improvement Corporation concerning the 31<sup>st</sup> Street project and the 1801 Market Street project. The meeting will be on April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. He stated there will be a Draft Development Agreement from Quattro Development to contribute to traffic improvements for the project on 31<sup>st</sup> Street and that the zoning ordinances have been met for that project. The 1801 Market Street project will be discussed after the 31<sup>st</sup> Street project with time in between for public input.

## **FINANCE**

Mr. Williard made a motion to approve the Vouchers for March in the amount of \$1,511,393.20. Ms. Twiford seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

Mr. Williard made a motion to approve the resolution for the sale of real property for the approximately .09 acre of land at the corner of 32<sup>nd</sup> Street and Chestnut Street, tax parcel 01-21-0273-437 and award the tract of land to the sole bidder. Mr. Berney seconded that motion and it passed with all in favor. The land was purchased by Mike Serluco of Consolidated Properties for \$15,000.00.

Mr. Williard also addressed complaints about the difficulty in hearing the council members during the council meetings. He explained that Mr. Robbins and Mr. Dennis have been getting estimates for better audio equipment, a Request for Proposal will be put out for a new sound system and although it is not a budgeted item, it will be completed before the end of the year.

## **PERSONNEL, POLICIES, PROCEDURES**

No report.

## **COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS RELATIONS**

Mr. Schultz stated that Simone Collins had held a Streetscape Meeting before the council meeting tonight and residents and business owners were presented with a Draft Development Agreement and it will be on the borough website next week. Simone Collins will be holding another meeting next month to respond to comments.

## **PARKS AND RECREATION**

Ms. Twiford reported that summer camps are filling up quickly and the pool opens Memorial Day weekend on May 26<sup>th</sup>-May28th and for the summer on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup> is the Memorial Day Parade and the Kite Festival is May 20<sup>th</sup> from 12-4pm.

Ms. Logar presented to borough council a Goddard Trail Extension project through Seibert Park that she feels is very important for pedestrians using the trail, due to increased traffic on the existing trail. The Goddard Trail was developed in 1998 and the extension she is asking for would improve public safety for those using the trail. It would relocate the trail through Seibert Park and take it off the roadway. She asked council if she could apply for a DCED Grant for this relocation. It would cost approximately \$120,000.00 and if the grant was approved, only 15% or approximately \$18,000.00 would need to be allocated for the 2019 Budget. Ms. Twiford made a motion to approve Ms. Logar's application for a DCED Grant for the Goddard Trail Extension and Ms. Snell-Zarcone seconded. It passed with all in favor.

## **PLANNING AND ZONING**

Mr. Schultz made a motion to approve resolution 02-2018 on Gerrymandering which would be an expression of support by the Borough of Camp Hill for the legislature done by the state against the practice of gerrymandering. Ms. Twiford seconded and it passed by majority vote with two nays by Mr. Williard and Mr. Berney.

Mr. Berney is against the practice of Gerrymandering but is committed to a resolution that is bipartisan in nature.

Mr. Williard is also against the practice of Gerrymandering but is hesitant as a representative of Camp Hill Borough council to get into the business of passing symbolic resolutions on political topics such as Gerrymandering. His hesitation is not specific to gerrymandering but any general political topics because he feels these discussions at the council level could overshadow the needs and business of the Borough and its residents.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

Ms. Snell-Zarcone stated that the Public Works Department has been cleaning and maintaining streets and parks. The projects being worked on now are using budgeted money for the streets and parks, televising the sewer lines for problems along Market Street and Willow Park improvements. The Paving Project is underway and \$750,000.00 will be spent to improve our roads. They are also assessing sidewalks, curbs and ramps throughout the borough for replacement.

The HRG borough engineer is committed to completing projects already started by collecting data needed to bring said projects to fruition.

Mr. Robbins presented a Compost Facility Study to borough council and residents in attendance. The Compost Facility is open April 1<sup>st</sup>-November from 7:30am-3:00pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday and from 7:30am-4:30pm Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The original Compost site opened in early 1990's with leaf composting and then around 1997 the site began taking mixed yard waste. The facility is very popular with residents and local landscape landscapers but has persistent operational challenges and is periodically shut down due to too much incoming raw material. Some of the issues being addressed in the proposed concepts were residential, operational, traffic, pedestrian safety impacts and the lack sustainability. Mr. Robbins stated there are grants available, not guaranteed, that would give up to \$250,000.00 every other year towards improving the facility. He presented three (3) concepts outlined by Sustainable Resources Consulting firm and provided cost estimates for each. The plans will be going to the Public Works committee for review and discussion.

#### **BOROUGH/SCHOOL DISTRICT**

No report.

#### **COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL**

Mr. Williard announced that Camp Hill Little League season opening day was April 7th and it is the 70<sup>th</sup> season for the organization. He also gave information about the April 27, 2018 Senator's baseball Game in Harrisburg that a portion of the ticket sales will support the Fiala Field Light Project and Camp Hill Challenger League opening day is Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 1pm and is a great day to come out and support local baseball.

Mr. Schultz asked that residents sign up for the Camp Hill Borough app on their smart phones and check out the Camp Hill Borough website regularly for great sources of information and dates.

Mr. Berney has walked 31<sup>st</sup> St. twice to get input from residents about the 31<sup>st</sup> St Project. He believes there has been good participation by the community and has an open door policy for comment about the project.

Ms. Snell-Zarcone announced that she is currently trying to get a veterinarian to run a clinic, as done previously in the borough, for low cost microchipping and vaccinations for dogs and cats. She also feels that a discussion as a council concerning the state of the sidewalks and curbs,

especially on the south side of the borough, should be addressed along with the paving projects. She believes a discussion with council about a one way only on 31<sup>st</sup> Street and no left hand turn onto Market St from 31<sup>st</sup> St. should take place too. She said the Public Safety Committee will meet to discuss these topics.

Ms. Twiford announced there was a resignation from the Recreation committee and there is a position available. She also addressed the No Right Turn signs on Harvard, Yale, Dickinson, Columbia and Bramar and although no resolution has been made yet, sees the argument from both sides with those seeking to remove them versus those wanting to keep them in place.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- 1. Keith Snyder, 2713 Columbia Ave.-** Mr. Snyder lives by the compost facility and would vote no to Option #3 for the new Compost Facility due to close proximity to residents. He believes Option #1 and #2 would keep residential properties separate from the grinding.
- 2. Bruce Bigelow, 20 S. 26<sup>th</sup> St. –** Mr. Bigelow is glad the council is spending great amounts of money on paving the streets in the borough. He is concerned with the dangerous situation on Walnut Street between 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Street due to lack of continuous sidewalks. He agrees with enforcement with sidewalk maintenance. He believes any water run-off from the Lincoln Street reconstruction should be redirected away from N. 26<sup>th</sup> St. and likes the idea of hiring someone to monitor the Compost Facility as used to be done.
- 3. Scott Staiger, Consolidated Properties -** Mr. Staiger thanked the council for allowing Consolidated Properties to purchase the land on 32<sup>nd</sup> and Chestnut Streets. He also suggested removable speed bumps, bidding out replacement of curbs and sidewalks to one or two contractors to save the residents money and offer the option of financing through the borough to replace the curbs and sidewalks.
- 4. Rich Mantz, 2000 Princeton Ave. -** Mr. Mantz would like to see the sound system upgraded and install a video system for the council meetings.
- 5. Robert Foster, 209 N. 26<sup>th</sup> St.-**Mr. Foster doesn't remember being polled for information as a resident about the Compost Facility.
- 6. Bonnie Bentz, 3015 Columbia Ave.-** Ms. Bentz liked Option #2 for the new Compost Facility so the gardens don't have to be relocated. She appreciated the agenda being

online before the council meeting. She also asked council to please not remove the No Left Turn lanes from any of the streets off the bypass (Columbia, Yale, Dickinson, Harvard and Bramar) to continue to keep children safe.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Snell-Zarccone motioned to adjourn and Ms. Twiford seconded.