

**REGULAR MEETING
CAMP HILL
BOROUGH COUNCIL
August 8, 2018
7:00 p.m.
MINUTES**

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

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

President Robelen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Mr. Guerin made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 11th, 2018 Borough Council Meeting. Ms. Snell-Zarcone seconded and the motion passed with all in favor.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Chief Kidman presented Officer Chad Tate with Camp Hill Police Department's Life Saving Award. This was Officer Tate's first award and was awarded to him for his lifesaving efforts during an August 3rd incident in which he administered Narcan for a Heroin overdose. **Congratulations to Officer Tate!!**

Mayor Simpson thanked all those who helped to make National Night Out a success.

President Robelen announced that there would be no discussion tonight on the Beverly Park project. He reported that the next step in the project will be discussing the engineer designed plans at a future public meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. **Diane Neiper, 2626 Lincoln St.-** Ms. Neiper feels that the list of streets that will be paved should be listed well in advance on our website for residents needing to replace

curbing and sidewalks. She believes 2 ½ months is not enough time for notifying residents that they need to replace them and that the Borough should follow through with the liens being placed if work is not done.

2. **Tom Clark, 72 Westerly Rd,-** Mr. Clark is concerned about the current Beverly Park proposal. He said that tonight was the first time he had heard about the proposal and he is concerned the park is going to become a storm water pit and negatively affect the neighborhood children and community.
3. **Carisa Kozicki, 102 N. 31st St.-** Ms. Kozicki is against changing Beverly Park because none of the plans include a playground and she felt the plans were never made available to residents through social media.
4. **Mitch Mathias, 62 Circle Place,-** Mr. Mathias feels Camp Hill is a place for kids, the park is a place for kids and the plans do not reflect that or make sense in keeping Camp Hill the way it is.
5. **David Lanza, 2132 Market St.-** Mr. Lanza believes the Beverly Park changes will further affect the traffic issues regarding the new businesses at the VA Hospital location.
6. **Mindy Campbell, 221 S. 19th St.-** Ms. Campbell feels that the council should advocate for the residents concerning Penn Waste's decision to stop picking up trash in some of the alleyways and require those residents to put their trash in the front of their properties. She stated she had nowhere in front of her property to safely put her trashcans.
7. **Jennifer Clark, 72 Westerly Rd.-** Ms. Clark does not support the Beverly Park proposal and feels that only a small amount of residents came to the meeting tonight to oppose the proposal because only a few knew about it. She also stated that it should stay a playground for the children who live there.
8. **Robert Parrish, Westerly Rd.-** Mr. Parrish would like to be involved with the Beverly Park decisions and feels Beverly Park should be left alone and allowed to grow.
9. **Missy Murray, 69 N. 31st St.-** Ms. Murray is concerned about the traffic on Route 15 and how it is already affecting N. 31st St. although the new construction has not yet begun on the VA Hospital location. She also feels that changing Beverly Park to not include a playground for children would invite crime and other negative problems into the park and community.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief Kidman reported that Office Joseph Capers will be the new School Resource Officer and is assigned full time to the school district. Officer Capers is a nationally accredited School Resource Officer and he starts the new position on August 22nd.

Mayor Simpson provided both the Police and Fire Department reports. In the month of July, Camp Hill Police had 938 calls and Camp Hill Fire Department had 33 calls. Also the Camp Hill Fire Department is holding their annual Chicken BBQ Fundraiser on September 15th from 11am-7pm. The chicken dinner sells for \$8.00 and he hopes all will attend.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Dennis reported that he is meeting on August 20th with Senator Mike Regan and on August 24th with State Representative Greg Rothman. Both meetings address the DCED Grant for the Borough's Downtown Streetscape and Master Plan.

FINANCE

Mr. Williard made a motion to approve the payment of Vouchers for July in the amount of \$858,291.79. Mr. Berney seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

PERSONNEL, POLICIES, PROCEDURES

Mr. Berney reported that the committee continues to make progress in the decision to hire a new police chief.

COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS RELATIONS

Ms. Brath reported that the Downtown businesses are starting to come together. She is holding monthly meetings and in the near future 4 committees will be formed to help address all the issues in making the Downtown District successful. She also stated that the Harvest Hop date has been changed to September 15th to incorporate it with the Camp Hill Fire Department's Chicken BBQ Fundraiser.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Ms. Twiford reported that the camps are winding down and the pool schedule is changing.

On August 22-24 the pool is closed.

On August 25-26 the pool is open

On August 27-31 the pool is closed
On September 1-3, Labor Day Weekend, the pool is open
And on September 3rd from 5-6pm is Doggy Swim Da

PLANNING AND ZONING

Chris Miller reported, with Mr. Guerin's input, that the Planning Commission is meeting on August 21st and they will be discussing updating the SALDO Plan, and also updating the Borough Ordinances concerning rentals, noise and fire prevention.

Mr. Guerin made a motion to schedule and advertise a public meeting to address the petition to vacate Olive Alley. Ms. Twiford seconded and it passed with all in favor. The meeting will be held on September 12th at 6:00pm.

PUBLIC WORKS

Justin Medinsky, the borough engineer, reported that the heavy rains in the area recently resulted in a sewer overflow that was reported to DEP. He also stated that Willow Park construction is underway and fencing has been installed. The project is scheduled to be complete by October 1st.

Ms. Snell-Zarcone made a motion to approve the application for Payment No. 2 for the 2017 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project in the amount of \$189,417.80 to Farhat Excavating, LLC. It was seconded by Mr. Guerin and passed with all in favor.

Ms. Snell-Zarcone then made a motion to approve the application for Payment No. 2 for the 2017 Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Inspection Project in the amount of \$8,834.23 to Utility Services Group, Inc. It was seconded by Mr. Williard and passed with all in favor.

Ms. Snell-Zarcone also made a motion for consideration of the Change Order No.2 to the 2017 Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Inspection Project for an increase in payment of \$5,992.00 for off-road and right-of-way work not included in the original Contract. Mr. Williard seconded the motion and it passed with all in favor.

BOROUGH/SCHOOL DISTRICT

No report.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Mr. Guerin stated that a contractor was in place to do sidewalks and curbs if residents failed to and liens would be placed if work was not done by the residents.

Ms. Twiford stated that with the proposals for both Beverly and Schaeffer Parks that the Rec Commission had been working with the borough engineers since 2011-2012 and had numerous meetings concerning both parks. She also noted that all the information has been posted on the borough website and that the borough manager and assistant manager have both been available for private meeting with residents concerned about these proposals. She stated she would have loved to have heard from the residents sooner who opposed the proposals.

Ms Snell-Zarcone said she thought the park proposals served all the people of Camp Hill, not just the children.

Mr. Williard thanked Chief Kidman and Chief Simpson for National Night Out and said it was a success.

Mr. Berney was not sure there was a consensus on both parks but would like to see one for both and said he did not realize there was a problem with the park proposals until 36 hours ago.

President Robelen said he does not see any sacrifice with the Beverly Park proposal. He said the park is not going anywhere, it is just being modified.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1. Tom Clark, 72 Westerly Rd.**- Mr. Clark said the reason for the outcry against the Beverly Park proposal is due to the fact that most residents are just hearing about it. He believes that because the Schaeffer Park residents complained about the rain garden that the Borough is putting it in Beverly Park instead. He thinks the underground waste water management system is better than a rain garden because children can't play in a rain garden. He also believes other options should be explored.
- 2. Scott Cousin, 118 N. 31st St.**- Mr. Cousin thanked Mr. Berney for getting the word out about the VA project to the residents. He believes there could be a happy medium for

Beverly Park with addressing children playing on a playground and putting the storm water concerns elsewhere.

3. **David Lanza, 2132 Market St.-** Mr. Lanza believes that the opposition of the Beverly Park proposal at the meeting is reason to consider and adopt a traffic control process to support the neighborhood development.
4. **Jennifer Hoover, 1903 Logan St.-** Ms. Hoover wants to see a better balance between the needs of parents in the community and tax payers in regard to the Beverly Park proposal.
5. **Carisa Kozicki, 102 N. 31st St.-** Ms. Kozicki believes there should be an option to add playground equipment to the plans for Beverly Park. She said she received no letters regarding Beverly Park proposal yet the residents of Willow and Schaeffer Parks received letters regarding changes being made to those parks.
6. **Jennifer Clark, 72 Westerly Rd.-** Ms. Clark said that the Beverly Park proposal is not a usable park for children. She stated she doesn't want the park taken away and wants it to be kept a playground for children.
7. **Conrad Rudy, 360 Beverly Rd.-** Mr. Rudy said that the reason he moved to Camp Hill was the schools for his children. He stated that people live here for the benefit of their children and that is what this community is about.

ADJOURNMENT

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