MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 2019

The Downingtown Borough Council met in regular session on December 4, 2019 at the Municipal Government Center, 4 W. Lancaster Ave., Downingtown, PA. Members present: President Gazzerro, Vice President Rakoff, Councilors Dague, Van Dyk, Thomas and Feldman. Also attending were Solicitor O'Keefe and members of Borough staff.

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

Recognition/Awards - None

Approval of Expenditures for Period Ending November 30, 2019 – Councilor Thomas made a motion to approve the expenditures for the period ending November 30, 2019, Councilor Feldman seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Borough Council Minutes (November 6, 2019) – Councilor Dague made a motion to approve the minutes of November 6, 2019, Councilor Thomas seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Citizens to be Heard

John West, 1023 Glenside Rd., West Bradford, commented on the construction occurring on Woodbine Rd. and Brandywine Ave., he asked whether the municipalities join together when reviewing plans for approval. He was informed zoning regulations are different in each municipality and approvals are provided by the municipality where the property is located.

Seth Mathlery, 313 Stuart Ave., commented on the crosswalk located at Pennsylvania Ave., across from Kerr Park inquiring whether additional signage, flashing lights, etc. could be implemented at the crosswalk. President Gazzerro responded the Borough is looking into additional signage and safety measures.

Deferred Business

Ordinance 2019-03 Parks & Recreation Commission (Membership) – Councilor Thomas made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-03, Councilor Feldman seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2019-04 Plastic Bags & Plastic Straws Regulations – Defer

2020 Borough of Downingtown Budget – Councilor Dague made a motion to adopt the 2020 Borough Budget, Councilor Thomas seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Parking Lease Agreement – Defer

New Business

Resolution 2019-13 Real Estate Tax 2020 – Councilor Thomas made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-13, Councilor Dague seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2019-14 PennDOT Traffic Signal Application (Brandywine Ave./Boot Rd. and Brandywine Ave./Chester Alley – Councilor Van Dyk made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-14, Councilor Dague seconded. After discussion, motion carried unanimously.

Borough Meeting Schedule 2020 – Councilor Dague made a motion to advertise the Borough Meeting Schedule for 2020, Councilor Van Dyk seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2019-15 Endorsement of County's Landscapes3 Comprehensive Plan - Councilor Van Dyk made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-15, Councilor Dague seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Mayor & Council Updates

President Gazzerro announced the December 18 Borough Council meeting was cancelled. Next meeting will be the Reorganization Meeting scheduled on Monday, January 6 at 7 p.m.

The Toys for Tots donations will be accepted at the Borough Administration and Police Department until December 9th.

The Log House Santa will be held on Saturday, December 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, December 14 at 3 p.m.

Televising Borough Council meetings will be discussed in the future.

Councilor Thomas announced this was his last Borough Council meeting and thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve the citizens of Downingtown.

Adjournment

Councilor Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m., Councilor Dague seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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