

MINUTES
NORTH YORK BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
August 9, 2022

The Public Council Meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm by President Hightman. President Hightman asked Mayor Brunk to lead the moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call of Council Members and Mayor by Sonya Grim: All members were in attendance. Vivian Amspacher and Dhani Thomas attended by Zoom, which was approved on a motion by Matty Stahlman, second by Gary Braham, and unanimously approved. Devon Schoonover, Attorney from Stock & Leader represented Solicitor Tilley.

Announcements: There was an Executive Session held tonight at 6:00 pm at this building to discuss Litigation with the Solicitor and Personnel matters.

Guests: None

Public Comment (on agenda items only): None

Approval of Minutes: The July 12, 2022 minutes were presented for approval. On a motion by Gary Braham, second by Matty Stahlman, these minutes were approved with one "No" vote by Vivian Amspacher.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Nancy Brunk presented a Proclamation for Lebanon Cemetery". Samantha Dorn was present to receive this Proclamation. Ms. Dorn mentioned that "Friends of Lebanon Cemetery" Week is August 21-27, 2022. Mayor Brunk's report from the Northern York County Regional Police Board of Commissioners' meeting on Tuesday, July 13, 2022 was presented. Our calls increased in June 2022 by 32 calls from the same time last year. We had a total of 186 calls for the month of June 2022, which is an increase of 47 more calls than the same time in 2021. The Mayor also reminded residents that if you see something call 911 to report it-going to social media and stating what happened doesn't get the issue resolved.

Police Report: Lt Anderson stated that the License Readers are continuing to assist officers in arresting/fining individuals for unregistered vehicles, suspensions, etc. One ATV driver was caught and cited.

Fire Report: Chief Sleeper reported there were eleven calls in the Borough but nothing of significance. Four new firefighters were hired and will be out for training until end of October.

EMA Report: Dr. Olewiler reminded residents and attendees to make sure they are hydrating during this heat advisory. There is going to be an Emergency Personnel Get-Together at the York Fairgrounds on August 17, 2022 from 4-8 pm, which he plans to attend. Please plan to attend if you can. Manager Bolton will plan to submit our Emergency Plan to the County. Any ideas to share about other plans that can be made or questions to be answered, please contact Dr. Olewiler.

Engineering Report: A request was made to ratify authorization for York County Planning Commission to pay Kinsley Construction \$200,209.95 for 5th Street Curb and Sidewalk Grant from CDBG funds. On a motion by Gary Braham, second by Joel Collier, and unanimously carried, this request was approved. The Engineering Report was submitted to Manager Bolton and placed in Council Members folders.

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Solicitor's Report: Devon Schoonover from Stock & Leader presented the following: Parkview Apartments deed of dedication/rec park access was presented for approval. On a motion by Gary Braham, second by Matty Stahlman, and unanimously carried, this deed of dedication/rec park access was denied. A motion was made to authorize Manager Bolton to work on Eminent Domain for this area by Gary Braham, second by Joel Collier, and unanimously carried. There is no litigation pending at this time.

STAFF REPORTS:

Borough Manager's Report: David Bolton, MBA, CBO presented two handicapped parking permit applications for approval. The first request was for 809 Latimer Street and was denied on a motion by Gary Braham, second by Dhani Thomas, and carried with one "No" vote from Joel Collier. The second request was for 7 Dewey Avenue and was denied on a motion by Gary Braham, second by Matty Stahlman, and unanimously carried. These applications were denied because neither request met the qualifiers in the ordinance. The Employee Handbook was given to Councilmembers for review and any changes. When returned to Manager Bolton, it will then be sent to the Solicitor for review. Door replacement for Mitre Wright part of the public works building were presented. Exact replacement door would be \$4235.65—one without a window would be \$3466.30, both from Architectural Doors and Hardware. Gary Braham suggested looking into other options. On a motion by Gary Braham, second by Joel Collier, and unanimously carried, this motion, pending a lower quote, was unanimously approved. A request was made by Manager Bolton to ratify authorization for Kinsley to fix one inlet broken box and broken pipes at North Duke and East 8th Avenue for \$15,402. On a motion by Gary Braham, second by Matty Stahlman, and unanimously carried, this motion was approved. Manager Bolton along with other staff members met with Kinsley about a portion of Queen Street being "ripped up" for 83 that was supposed to be repaved. After discussion, it was decided that Kinsley would complete the other end of Queen Street at no cost to us.

Treasurer's Reports: Sonya Grim presented the Treasurer's Report through July 31, 2022 which was accepted on a motion by Gary Braham, second by Dhani Thomas, and unanimously carried. Motion to approve/ratify paying the bills as presented through 7/12/2022 was presented by Gary Braham, second by Matty Stahlman and unanimously carried.

Recreation \$866.99; Sewer \$10,144.61;
Payroll \$17,736.09; General Fund \$105,968.02

Correspondence: A thank you letter was sent out to Carol D. Hill-Evans for her surprise visit at our National Nite Out.

Public Works: Director Charlie Brashears presented his report. Repair quotes for the two doors at Public Works rental will be completed by the Manager.

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Code and Zoning Enforcement: Tom Arnold, Zoning Officer presented his report. Each Councilmember received a copy in their folder. We are now up to 81 violations filed compared to 45 for all of 2021. The remaining rental properties in the Borough are being set up for Inspections. Zoning Officer and the Manager met with PennWaste to discuss issues with garbage not being picked up. The issues should be corrected immediately. After a lengthy discussion was held on changing building inspection companies, a motion was made by Gary Braham, second by Vivian Amspacher, and unanimously carried, for North York Borough to stay with Commonwealth Code Inspection Services until the Reorganization Meeting in January 2023.

Committees and Organizations:

Building and Grounds (Gary Braham): Nothing to report.

Finance (Seth Hightman): Manager continues to review budget and finance information for our 2023 budget.

Parks & Recreation (Tess Croy): Wendy Brashears presented a report. National Nite Out was a great success! The Councilmembers complimented Wendy on a "Job Well Done!"

Personnel (Seth Hightman): Nothing to report.

Sanitation Committee (Vivian Amspacher): Nothing to report.

Sidewalk & Streets Committee (Gary Braham): Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Public Comment (any topic): Inch & Company representatives spoke about possibly building a Sports Center at the "old" Central High School football stadium area. Everything would be inside and the street coming into the center would be directly off the new 83 Exit.

For the Good of the Order (Council/Mayor/Staff): Vivian Amspacher has stated that she would like the following information to be documented: Starting with the June 2022 Executive Session, Vivian Amspacher was no longer allowed to attend through Zoom and/or Phone the Executive Sessions starting in June 2022 and going forward on a Council vote taken during that session. This decision was made due to the confidentiality of the Executive Sessions.

Announcements: Next regular Council meeting is September 13, 2022, at 6:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm on a motion by Gary Braham, second by Joel Collier, and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted

Sonya J. Grim

Secretary/Treasurer