

A regular meeting of the Borough Council was held May 5, 2010, 7:30 p.m.

The following members and officers were present: President L. James Roberts, Vice President Donald Rosenberger, Councilmembers David Erwin, Michael Johnson, Michelle Scarborough, Edward Scholl and Daniel Williams, Solicitor Charles Fonzone, Manager Scott C. McElree and Asst. Borough Secretary Phyllis R. Ewing.

RESOLVED, That, the Minutes of April 7, 2010, be approved as written. Motion of Councilman Rosenberger, seconded by Councilwoman Scarborough. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLVED, That, the following check registers be approved for payment:

April 9, 2010	–	\$ 79,061.54
April 13, 2010–		105.62
April 16, 2010–		872,303.11
April 20, 2010–		200.00
April 22, 2010–		3,750.00
April 23, 2010–		25,278.94
April 30, 2010–		216,704.64
April 30, 2010–		9,437.65

Motion of Councilman Rosenberger, seconded by Councilman Scholl.

Councilwoman Scarborough stated that the check register contains a check made out to her for Community Day reimbursement and asked if she needs to abstain from voting on the check registers? President Roberts stated that because it is a reimbursement, there is no need to abstain.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLVED, That, the Police Department, Zoning Administrator and Building Inspector reports be received and filed. Motion of Councilman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Scarborough. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

Visitors:

Mr. Johnson thanked the Borough for the use of the field for the LaCrosse team and indicated that he brought two representatives from the team. Collin Johnson, 5th grade, thanked Council for allowing the LaCrosse Team to get off the ground. It was his father's dream to form a LaCrosse Association in Quakertown, Council has helped him to do just that. Collin, first grade, also thanked Council for the use of the field.

HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 48-10, National Police Week, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 48-10

WHEREAS, The Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week in which May 15 falls as National Police Week; and

WHEREAS, the members of the law enforcement agency of the Borough of Quakertown play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of Quakertown; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their law enforcement agency, and that members of our law enforcement agency recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression; and

WHEREAS, the men and women of the law enforcement agency of the Borough of Quakertown unceasingly provide a vital public service;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Borough Council of the Borough of Quakertown, call upon all citizens of Quakertown and upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the week of May 9 - 15, 2010, as Police Week with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all of our people may join in commemorating law enforcement officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and, in so doing, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Quakertown shall observe Saturday, May 15, 2010, as Peace Officers' Memorial Day in honor of those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty, and let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.

Motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Erwin. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

The following Officers were presented with Police Accommodations:

Officers Kristopher Baccari, Jeffrey Boehm, Mario Cabrera, Scott Fogel, Christopher Grill, Harold Gross, Bryan Lockwood, Joshua Mallery, William Newman, and Steven Stoneback

Rick Cobb was also honored as Volunteer of the Year.

President Roberts, on behalf of Council, thanked all officers for their performance in their jobs.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 52-10, Quakertown Fire Department request to hold a carnival on the Krupp property site, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 52-10

WHEREAS, a request was received from the Quakertown Fire Department to use the Quakertown Borough Krupp property site for a Fire Department Carnival to be held August 3 through August 7, 2010 and use of the bandshell for this event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Borough Council of Quakertown, Pennsylvania, grants the request of the Quakertown Fire Department to use the Quakertown Borough Krupp site for a carnival and the use of the bandshell provided that the Borough is added as additional insured on the insurance.

NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, the Borough Council of the Borough of Quakertown waives the fee for the use of the bandshell.

Motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Erwin. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 53-10, Civil Service status for Chief of Police, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 53-10

WHEREAS, the Civil Service Commission performed a non-competitive testing process on Scott McElree as predicated by the Civil Service Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, Scott McElree has successfully satisfied the requirements of the non-competitive written and oral exams to determine his qualification as Chief of Police and his ability to balance those responsibilities in his dual role as Borough Manager.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Borough Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants civil service status as Chief of Police to Scott McElree.

Motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Erwin. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 54-10, American Legion request to conduct Memorial Day Parade on May 31, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 54-10

WHEREAS, a request was received for a public gathering permit from the Quakertown American Legion.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the public gathering permit to the Quakertown American Legion for the Memorial Day Parade to be held on May 31, 2010, and the use of the bandshell provided they add the Borough as an additional insured on the insurance.

NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, the Borough Council of the Borough of Quakertown waives the fee for the use of the bandshell.

Motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Scholl. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 43-10, Nurses Week, be adopted

RESOLUTION NO. 43-10

WHEREAS, the nearly 2.9 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and

WHEREAS, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients; and

WHEREAS, the cost-effective, safe and quality health care service provided by nurses will be an ever more important component of the U. S. health care delivery system in the future; and

WHEREAS, along with the American Nurses Association, the Borough of Quakertown has declared the week of May 6 - 12 as National Nurses Week with the theme Nurses Building a Healthy America in celebration of the ways in which nurses strive to provide safe and high quality patient care and map out the way to improve our health care system.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown asks that all residents of the Borough of Quakertown join in honoring the nurses who care for all of us.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, Borough Council and the residents of the Borough of Quakertown join in honoring the professional nurses who care for all of us, and that we express our appreciation to the nurses, not just during this week, but at every opportunity throughout the year.

Motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Scarborough. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 42-10, Borough of Quakertown Urban Vision and Revitalization Plan, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 42-10

WHEREAS, the Delta Development Group of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania has prepared a proposed Borough of Quakertown Urban Vision and Revitalization Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown wishes to adopt the Borough of Quakertown Urban Vision and Revitalization Plan, dated March 2010, as proposed by Delta Development Group.

Motion of Councilman Scholl, seconded by Councilman Erwin. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 50-10, Economic Development Plan Implementation, matrix and costs, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 50-10

WHEREAS, the Delta Development Group of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania has prepared an economic development plan implementation matrix and costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown wishes to adopt the implementation matrix with total costs of \$83,440.00 as proposed by Delta Development Group.

Motion of Councilman Scholl, seconded by Councilman Rosenberger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

REVENUE & FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 51-10, revising the fee schedule to include tax certification, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 51-10

WHEREAS, Resolution 5-10 was adopted on January 4, 2010 and established the fees associated with Borough services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to add a tax certification and a duplicate real estate tax bill fee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Quakertown that the fees to be added are to read as follows:

REAL ESTATE TAXES

Tax Certification	\$25.00/year
Duplicate Real Estate Tax Bill	5.00

Motion of Councilman Rosenberger, seconded by Councilman Johnson. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Scarborough stated that there aren't any items for action under the Public Utilities Committee.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 49-10, National Public Works Week, be adopted:

National Public Works Week

RESOLUTION 49-10

WHEREAS, Public Works services provided in our community are an integral part of our citizens' everyday lives; and

WHEREAS, the support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operations of public works systems and programs such as water, sewer, electric and roads; and

WHEREAS, the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design, and construction, is vitally dependent upon the efforts and skill of public works employees; and

WHEREAS, the efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff our public works departments is significantly influenced by the residents' understanding of the importance of the work they perform,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council to proclaim the week of May 16 – 22, 2010 "National Public Works Week" in the Borough of Quakertown, Pennsylvania. Council calls upon businesses, organizations and citizens to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing our public works services and to recognize the outstanding contributions which our public works employees make every day to ensure the health, safety, comfort, and quality of life in the Borough of Quakertown.

Motion of Councilman Erwin, seconded by Councilman Williams. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 58-10, awarding 2010 road resurfacing bid, be adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 58-10
ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO
BRACALENTE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.**

RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Quakertown, That, the bid of Bracalente Construction Company, Inc. of Northampton, Pennsylvania, in the amount of \$253,380.23 for the 2010 road resurfacing project as per bid opened April 22, 2010, is hereby accepted. The contract is awarded to Bracalente Construction Company, Inc. The Borough Manager is hereby authorized to execute the said contract on behalf of the Borough of Quakertown.

Motion of Councilman Erwin, seconded by Councilwoman Scarborough.

Councilman Rosenberger asked if the money for this project is coming from the State? Manager McElree indicated that it is coming from Liquid Fuels. Councilman Rosenberger asked if the cost is fully covered? Manager McElree indicated that it is fully covered.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 55-10, request to hold Mike Schaefer's Gold Glove Baseball Camp, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 55-10

WHEREAS, a request was received from Mike Schaefer's Gold Glove Baseball Camp to use Memorial Park baseball fields for an instructional summer baseball camp.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of Mike Schaefer's Gold Glove Baseball Camp to use Memorial Park baseball fields from June 22, 2010 through June 25, 2010 , 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for a baseball camp for children ages 7 to 12, provided they add the Borough as an additional insured on their insurance.

Motion of Councilman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Scarborough. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 56-10, Quakertown Midget Football and Pennsylvania Mustang Club request to hold a car show, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 56-10

WHEREAS, a request was received from the First Pennsylvania Mustang Club and the Quakertown Midget Football Association to hold a car show fund raiser in or around the

parking lot at the Quakertown Midget Football Association facilities on June 27, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of the First Pennsylvania Mustang Club and the Quakertown Midget Football Association provided the Borough is added as an additional insured on the insurance.

Motion of Councilman Williams, seconded by Councilman Erwin. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 57-10, request to hold a Sports and Fitness Discovery Camp, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 57-10

WHEREAS, a request was received from Kevin Filoon to hold a Sport & Fitness Discovery Camp in the open grass fields behind the Quakertown Swimming Pool and past the baseball fields.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of Kevin Filoon to hold a Sport & Fitness Discovery Camp in the open grass fields behind the Quakertown Swimming Pool and past the baseball fields on July 19-23 and July 26-30, 2010, for children ages 5 to 8, provided they add the Borough as an additional insured on their insurance.

Motion of Councilman Williams, seconded by Councilman Scholl. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 59-10, request of Quakertown Baseball Booster Club to use Memorial Park on May 13, 2010, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 59-10

WHEREAS, a request was received from the Quakertown Baseball Booster Club Parents Group to use the baseball stadium in Memorial Park for their event, which is to recognize and honor the senior players on the high school team as they compete in their final week of high school baseball.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of the Quakertown Baseball Booster Club Parents Group to use the baseball stadium in Memorial Park for their event on May 13, 2010, provided they add the Borough as an additional insured on the insurance.

Motion of Councilman Williams, seconded by Councilman Erwin. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

Councilman Scholl stated that this year's Relay for Life was very successful and the weather was perfect.

President Roberts declared the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

BOROUGH OF QUAKERTOWN

L. James Roberts, Jr.
President of Council

Attest:

Phyllis R. Ewing
Asst. Borough Secretary