

A regular meeting of the Borough Council of Quakertown was held July 5, 2017, 7:30 p.m.

The following members and officers were present: President L. James Roberts, Vice President Donald Rosenberger, Council members Lisa Gaier, Michael Johnson, Jann Paulovitz, Douglas Propst, Jon Roth, Solicitor Charles Fonzone, Manager Scott C. McElree and Asst. Borough Secretary Kris Barndt.

RESOLVED, That, the Minutes of June 7, 2017 and June 26, 2017 be approved as written. Motion of Vice President Rosenberger, seconded by Councilman Johnson. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

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

June 2, 2017 -	\$ 156,075.18
June 9, 2017 -	22,188.68
June 15, 2017 -	673,290.64
June 20, 2017 -	3,000.00
June 26, 2017 -	16,481.62
June 30, 2017 -	631,436.18
June 30, 2017 -	496,860.14

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

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

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

Councilman Roth stated that there are not any items for action under the Planning & Zoning Committee.

REVENUE & FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 71-17, accepting the Verizon Cell Water Tower Lease Agreement, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 71-17

WHEREAS, the Borough Manager and Water Department Superintendent have negotiated a lease agreement for a Verizon Cell Tower proposed to be installed at the Borough's water tower located at the Stonegate Village tank; and

WHEREAS, the Borough will receive \$25,200.00 per year in rental income with a subsequent rental increase of 2% per year; and

WHEREAS, the agreement also provides for four additional five year term leases; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Solicitor has reviewed and approved the content of the lease agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown authorizes the Borough Manager to execute the Water Tower Lease Agreement on behalf of the Borough.

Motion of Vice President Rosenberger, seconded by Councilwoman Gaier. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 70-17, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church's request to close Erie Avenue for annual Peach Festival, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 70-17

WHEREAS, a request was received from Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church to close Erie Avenue for their annual Peach Festival.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church to close Erie Avenue from Hellertown Avenue to the entrance of the church parking lot on Wednesday, August 9, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for their Peach Festival provided they add the Borough as an additional insured on their insurance.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 69-17, Quakertown Grocery Outlet's request to hold a charity motorcycle run starting and ending in the parking lot, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 69-17

WHEREAS, a request was received from Michael Anderson, owner of the Quakertown Grocery Outlet to hold a charity motorcycle ride event consisting of raffles, a 60 mile motorcycle ride and a complimentary lunch starting and ending in the parking lot of the grocery store on July 22, 2017 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, with a raindate of July 23, 2017 and also requests two Borough police officers to assist in traffic for the event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of Michael Anderson to hold a motorcycle charity ride benefiting Bucks County Tour of Honor on Saturday, July 22, 2017 (raindate July 23, 2017) beginning and ending in the grocery store parking lot with the assistance of two Borough police officers to aid with traffic, for a charge per the current fee schedule.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 74-17, accepting resignation from Joshua Mallery, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 74-17

WHEREAS, a letter of intent to resign was received from Joshua Mallery, Patrol Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Joshua Mallery has been employed by the Quakertown Police Department for seventeen years and has served the Borough with distinctive service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown sorrowfully accepts the resignation of Joshua Mallery, effective July 17, 2017.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 75-17, proceeding with the promotional process for a Sergeant, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 75-17

RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown directs the Borough Manager to proceed with the promotional process for a Sergeant.

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

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Councilwoman Gaier stated that there are not any items for action under the Public Utilities Committee.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 73-17, accepting bid and award contract for road repaving, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 73-17
ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT

RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Quakertown, That, the following bid for road repaving be accepted and contract awarded to:

Blooming Glen of Perkasio, PA for the amount of \$629,839.50.

Road repaving projects for 2017:

Hickory Drive from Winchester Drive to Park Avenue
Park Avenue from Route 309 to Mill Road
Park Avenue from Front Street to Ninth Street
North Ambler Street from Tohickon Avenue to Route 313
Roan Tree Drive from Hickory Drive to Fox Court

The contract is awarded in accordance with bids opened June 22, 2017. The Borough Manager is hereby authorized to execute the said contract on behalf of the Borough of Quakertown.

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

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

President Roberts mentioned the weather was beautiful yesterday for Community Day.

Vice President Rosenberger asked how many vehicles participated in the car show. Doug Wilhelm replied 338 vehicles.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 68-17, request from the Quakertown Soccer Club to use the soccer complex for the annual Sarah Parvin event, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 68-17

WHEREAS, a request was received from the Quakertown Soccer Club to use the Quakertown Soccer Complex and rent the bandshell for their Sarah Parvin Soccer Tournament.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of the Sarah Parvin Foundation to use the Quakertown Soccer Complex and to rent the bandshell for their event to be held on July 22, 2017 at 9:00 am through July 23, 2017 at 10:00 am, provided they add the Borough as an additional insured on their insurance.

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

Councilman Propst asked if the Borough would prepare a Certificate of Recognition to present at the opening ceremony since this is the events tenth year.

Councilman Roth announced he will be resigning the position of the representative of the Quakertown Area Planning Committee, as well as, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Committee for the Borough Council due to a change in his employment.

President Roberts announced that Councilman Jon Roth has asked to be replaced as the Borough's representative to the Quakertown Area Planning Committee due to a change in his vocation. Resolved that the Borough Council of the Borough of Quakertown appoints Councilman Douglas Propst to serve as the Borough's representative to the Quakertown Area Planning Committee.

The motion was seconded by Vice President Rosenberger. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

President Roberts appointed Councilwoman Gaier to assume the responsibility of Chair of the Planning and Zoning Committee and appoint Councilman Roth as the Chair of the Public Utilities Committee.

Manager McElree announced he received a resignation from Philip Abramson from the Quakertown Planning Commission due to a career change that has taken him out of state. Manager McElree made a recommendation to Council for consideration to accept Mr. Abramson's resignation from the Planning Commission.

A motion was made by Vice President Rosenberger to accept Mr. Abramson's resignation and thanked him for his service and was seconded by Councilman Johnson. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

Manager McElree stated the Planning Commission vacancy was advertised in the newspaper and the Borough received several letters of interest.

Manager McElree appointment Nathan Soliday, 456 S. 10th Street, Quakertown to the Quakertown Planning Commission.

President Roberts moved to ratify the appointment of Nathan Soliday, seconded by Vice President Rosenberger to fill the vacancy on the Quakertown Planning Commission. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

Vice President Rosenberger asked to receive a short biography of Nathan Soliday.

Manager McElree expressed his appreciation to Council for their services at the pancake breakfast on Community Day. The Borough served approximately 750 breakfasts.

President Roberts announced that Sergeant Joshua Mallery accepted a new position with the Bucks County Detectives and expressed Council is very proud of Josh.

President Roberts declared the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

BOROUGH OF QUAKERTOWN

L. James Roberts, Jr.
President of Council

Attest:

Scott C. McElree
Borough Secretary