

A regular meeting of the Borough Council of Quakertown was held March 2, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

The following members and officers were present: President Donald Rosenberger, Vice President James Roberts, Councilmembers Jonathan Sell, Mae Wear, Michael Johnson, Douglas Propst, Solicitor Peter Nelson, Manager Scott C. McElree, Asst. Borough Secretary Kristine Barndt. David Wilsey, absent.

RESOLVED, That, the Council Minutes of February 2, 2022 and Work Session Minutes of January 24, 2022 be approved as written. Motion of Vice President Roberts, seconded by Councilman Propst. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried. David Wilsey, absent.

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

January	28, 2022	32,917.99
February	4, 2022	311,938.33
February	11, 2022	212,537.07
February	17, 2022	27,574.47
February	18, 2022	710,937.79
February	24, 2022	994,761.31

Motion of Councilman Propst, seconded by Councilman Johnson. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried. Vice President Roberts, abstained. David Wilsey, absent.

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

No visitors wished to speak regarding any agenda items.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

Councilman Sell stated that there are not any items under the Planning & Zoning Committee.

REVENUE & FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 28-22, amend 2022 Fee Schedule to include Water Service Vacant Property fee per each meter removal and each re-installation, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 28-22

WHEREAS, Resolution 6-22 was adopted on January 3, 2022, and established the fees associated with Borough services for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to add a Water Service Vacant Property fee for the amount of \$100.00 per each meter removal and \$100.00 per each meter re-installation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Quakertown wishes to amend the 2022 Fee Schedule to reflect the above listed fee.

Motion of Vice President Roberts, seconded by Councilman Sell. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried. David Wilsey, absent.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 30-22, amend 2022 Fee Schedule to include Swim Team Member Pool fee, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 30-22

WHEREAS, Resolution 6-22 was adopted on January 3, 2022, and established the fees associated with Borough services for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to add a Swim Team Usage fee in the amount of \$40.00 per year which would give a Swim Team Member pool access for just their swim team practices and meets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Quakertown wishes to amend the 2022 Fee Schedule to reflect the above listed fee.

Motion of Vice President Roberts, seconded by Councilman Johnson. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried. David Wilsey, absent.

HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 26-22, Edward Scholl's request to hold a car show downtown, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 26-22

WHEREAS, a request was received from Edward Scholl of Plaza Knights/Railyard Society, Quakertown, PA to hold a car show event downtown named Downtown Cars for a Cause on Sunday, September 18, 2022 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and requesting the closure of Broad Street from 4th Street to Hellertown Avenue, Branch Street and parts of Front Street, 3rd Street and 2nd Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of Edward Scholl to close the above stated streets for a car show provided pending Governor restrictions at that time, approval is received from PennDOT to close Broad Street and 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. David Wilsey, absent.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 24-22, Bucks County's request to spray for mosquito control, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 24-22

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown is willing to aid in the reduction of the spread of the West Nile Virus.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants permission to the Bucks County Department of Health allowing a mosquito treatment program by dusting impacted water basins and implementing mosquito traps.

Motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Vice President Roberts. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried. David Wilsey, absent.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

President Rosenberger stated for Councilman Wilsey that there are not any items under the Public Utilities Committee.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Councilwomen Wear stated that there are not any items under the Public Works Committee.

Councilwomen Wear mentioned since members of the Train Station were present, that she loves the new clock by the Train Station and the clock makes the town look beautiful.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 21-22, East Swamp Church's request to hold Easter service at the amphitheater, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 21-22

WHEREAS, Sabina Kineen of East Swamp Church has requested to use the Univest Performance Center for their Easter service on Sunday, April 17, 2022 from 5:00 am to 1:00 pm provided any COVID-19 restrictions at that date.

BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants East Swamp Church's request to use the Univest Performance Center on April 17, 2022 pending any COVID-19 restrictions and that the Borough is an additional insured on their insurance.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 25-22, American Legion Post 242's request to hold the annual Memorial Day Parade, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 25-22

WHEREAS, a request was received for a public gathering permit from the Quakertown American Legion to hold the annual Memorial Day Parade with street closings of 9th Street, Broad Street, 4th Street and Mill Street between 9th and 4th Streets.

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 30, 2022 beginning at 9:00 am, 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 Propst, seconded by Vice President Roberts. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried. David Wilsey, absent.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 27-22, Bucks County Arts & Dance's request to use the amphitheater, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 27-22

WHEREAS, Dana Heinz-Zapraia of Bucks County Arts & Dance, Perkasie, PA has requested to use the Univest Performance Center for her school's 2022 dance recitals on Saturday, June 4, 2022 from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants Dana Heinz-Zapraia's request for use of the Univest Performance Center on June 4, 2022 provided any COVID-19 restrictions at that time will be fulfilled and that the Borough is added as an additional insured on their insurance.

Motion of Councilman Propst, seconded by Councilman Sell. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried. David Wilsey, absent.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 29-22, awarding Food Concession Stands bid to Kate Gerhart of Brickside, LLC, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 29-22

RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Quakertown, That, the bid submitted by Kate Gerhart of Brickside, LLC, Sellersville, Pennsylvania, for the lease of two concession stands including the facility at the Park at 4th for \$100.00 per month for a five month lease and the swimming pool stand a/k/a Blue Water Café for \$100.00 per month for a four month lease including the Borough receiving twenty percent of total gross revenue from each facility, as well as, the responsibility for the utility costs for each month rented, per bid opened February 18, 2022, is hereby accepted. No other bids were received. The Borough Manager is hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the Borough of Quakertown.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 22-22, Crossroads Pregnancy Care's request to hold a 5K Walk/Run, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 22-22

WHEREAS, Crossroads Pregnancy Care has applied for a public gathering permit to conduct a Walk/Run for Life 5K event through the Borough park and use of the amphitheater.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the public gathering permit request of Crossroads Pregnancy Care for their Walk/Run for Life 5K event on October 1, 2022, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm in accordance to any COVID-19 restrictions at that specific time and also that the Borough is an additional insured on their insurance.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 31-22, application for grant to the DCNR for Cedar Grove Park renovations, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 31-22

WHEREAS, Quakertown Borough ("Applicant") desires to undertake the project, "Cedar Grove Park Revitalization"; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant desires to receive from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources ("Department") a grant for the purpose of carrying out this project; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant has agreed to match the \$250,000 grant proceeds; and

WHEREAS, the application package includes a document entitled "Terms and Conditions of Grant; and

WHEREAS, the applicant understands that the contents of the document entitled, "Terms and Conditions of Grant," including appendices referred to therein, will become the terms and conditions of a Grant Agreement between the applicant and the Department if the applicant is awarded a grant; and

NOW THEREFORE, it is resolved that:

1. The grant application may be electronically signed on behalf of the applicant by "Donald Rosenberger" who, at the time of signing, has a TITLE of "Borough of Quakertown Council President".
2. If this Official signed the Grant Application Electronic Authorization prior to the passage of this Resolution, this grant of authority applies retroactively to the date of signing.
3. If the applicant is awarded a grant, the Grant Application Electronic Authorization, signed by the above Official, will become the applicant/grantee's executed signature page for the Grant Agreement, and the applicant/grantee will be bound by the Grant Agreement.

4. Any amendment to the Grant Agreement may be signed on behalf of the grantee by the Official who, at the time of signing of the amendment, has the "Title" specified in paragraph 1 and the grantee will be bound by the amendment.

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

Vice President Rosenberger asked when this project where to get started if the Borough was awarded the grant money. Manager McElree stated the Cedar Grove Park project would approximately begin the later part of 2023.

President Rosenberger declared the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

BOROUGH OF QUAKERTOWN

Donald E. Rosenberger
President of Council

Attest:

Scott C. McElree
Borough Secretary