

A regular meeting of the Borough Council was held December 1, 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 November 3, 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:

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| November 5, 2010 | – | \$ | 76,060.32 |
| November 12, 2010 | – | 71,427.44 | |
| November 19, 2010 | – | 694,569.95 | |
| November 23, 2010 | – | 219,500.23 | |
| November 23, 2010 | – | 5,458.68 | |

Motion of Councilman Rosenberger, seconded by Councilwoman Scarborough. President Roberts stated that he will abstain from voting as a purchase was made from the Friendly Book Store.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried with the following Councilmembers voting in favor: Erwin, Johnson, Rosenberger, Scarborough, Scholl and Williams; and the following Councilmember abstaining: Roberts.

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

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

President Roberts stated that a public hearing has been advertised regarding the nomination of Quakertown Historic District to the National Registry. President Roberts turned the meeting over to Kathryn Auerbach.

Ms. Auerbach made a presentation review for Council and the public. Following the review, President Roberts asked if there are any questions or comments from the public?

Mr. Steven Biddle asked if the correct title is historic district or historical district?

Mr. Dave Kimmery, Heritage Conservancy, stated that he believes it is historic district not historical district.

President Roberts adjourned the public meeting at 7:45 p.m.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 116-10, supporting the nomination of Quakertown Historic District to the National Registry, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 116-10

WHEREAS, a public meeting was held by the Council of the Borough of Quakertown on December 1, 2010, regarding the nomination of the Quakertown Historic District to the National Register of Historic Places.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Borough Council of Quakertown, Pennsylvania supports the nomination of the Quakertown Historic District to the National Register of Historic Places.

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 113-10, Revitalization Marketing Logo and Tag Line, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 113-10

RESOLVED, That, the Economic Development Steering Committee has prepared a revitalization marketing logo and tag line "Explore the Possibilities".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Borough Council of Quakertown, Pennsylvania, approves the revitalization marketing logo and tag line as presented by the Economic Development Steering Committee.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 114-10, William Peischel Excellence in Citizenship Award, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 114-10

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of Quakertown, Pennsylvania, desires from time-to-time to award a resident of Quakertown Borough who through volunteer service has demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to the civic betterment of the Quakertown community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, The William Peischel Excellence in Citizenship Award shall be established with the following criteria:

1. The award shall be presented in honor or memory of a Borough of Quakertown resident who is chosen by Quakertown Borough Council and whose contribution is in conformity with the purpose of the award.
2. Council shall consider any recipient upon the recommendation of any member or members of Council. Council may, after consideration and discussion, agree to its award, the design of which shall be determined by the Borough Manager.
3. The award shall be presented at a regular meeting of Borough Council with appropriate prior announcement.
4. No sitting member of Council may receive an award.

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

Councilwoman Scarborough stated, at the Borough Association meeting, she learned that Doylestown has a green points incentive program and presented the Borough Manager with a packet of information on going green.

REVENUE & FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 110-10, setting Council and Work Session meeting dates, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 110-10

RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown will conduct regular meetings on the following dates: Wednesdays January 5, February 2, March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1, July 6, August 3, September 7, October 5, November 2 and December 7, 2011. The meetings will be held in Council Chambers on the second floor of Borough Hall, commencing at 7:30 p.m. on said dates; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown will hold Work Sessions on the following dates: Monday, January 24, February 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, August 22, September 26, October 24 and November 28, 2011 . The meetings will be held in Council Chambers on the second floor of Borough Hall commencing at 7:30 p.m. on said dates.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 115-10, adopting the 2011 Budget, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 115-10

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Quakertown has reviewed and held public meetings on the consideration of the proposed 2011 Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the 2011 Budget be adopted as presented.

Motion of Councilman Rosenberger, seconded by Councilman Scholl.

Councilman Rosenberger stated that there will not be a proposed utility rate or tax increase for 2011. Councilman Rosenberger stated that the budget does show a deficit of \$1,014,000 for next year.

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

HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 112-10, destruction of evidence/property accumulated in evidence storage facility, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 112-10

WHEREAS, evidence/property have accumulated in the Police Department evidence storage facility from police cases of 1986 through 1987 and 2006 through 2009; and

WHEREAS, Quakertown Police Department policy dictates that these cases meet the guidelines for destruction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Borough Council of Quakertown Pennsylvania directs that the 1986 through 1987 and 2006 through 2009 police cases in the evidence storage facility be purged.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 117-10, street closure for tree lighting ceremony, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 117-10

WHEREAS, a tree-lighting ceremony will be held on Friday December 3, 2010, from 6:30 p.m. to the end of the ceremony (approximately 9:00 p.m.); and

WHEREAS, it is felt, in the interest of safety, that Third Street should be closed during the ceremony.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, Council approves the closing of Third Street between Broad Street and Branch Street during the tree-lighting ceremony for the time needed to accommodate the ceremony.

Motion of Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Erwin. 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

Councilman Erwin stated that there aren't any items for action under the Public Works Committee.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Councilman Williams stated that there aren't any items for action under the Parks & Recreation Committee.

President Roberts declared the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

BOROUGH OF QUAKERTOWN

L. James Roberts, Jr.
President of Council

Attest:

Phyllis R. Ewing
Asst. Borough Secretary