

A regular meeting of the Borough Council was held March 7, 2012, 7:30 p.m.

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

RESOLVED, That, the Minutes of February 1, 2012, be approved as written. Motion of Councilman Rosenberger, seconded by Councilman Erwin. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried (Councilman Propst absent).

Manager McElree swore in new Fire Policeman Kevin Kile of 215 S. Eleventh Street, Quakertown, into office.

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

February 3, 2012	–	\$	86,789.88
February 3, 2012	–		150.00
February 10, 2012	–		7,165.92
February 17, 2012	–		853,940.58
February 20, 2012	–		285.00
February 24, 2012	–		98,039.15
March 2, 2012	–		85,295.12
March 2, 2012	–		247,021.26

Motion of Councilman Rosenberger, seconded by Councilman Johnson.

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, Scholl, and Williams. President Roberts abstained (Councilman Propst absent).

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 (Councilman Propst absent).

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

Councilman Scholl stated that there aren't any items for action under the Planning & Zoning Committee.

REVENUE & FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 21-12, John Rivers Memorial VFW Post 11322 request for financial assistance, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 21-12

WHEREAS, a request for financial support was received from John Rivers Memorial VFW Post 11322.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Borough Council of the Borough of Quakertown will appropriate \$500 for the year 2012, to be used in the payment of rent where such organization has its regular meetings.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 27-12, DCNR Grant for Krupp Park Project, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 27-12

WHEREAS, the Borough of Quakertown (“Applicant”) desires to undertake the following project: Krupp Site Park Development; 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 application package includes a document entitled “Terms and Conditions of Grant” and a document entitled ‘Grant Agreement Signature Page’; 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, BE IT RESOLVED, That:

1. The “Grant Agreement Signature Page” may be signed on behalf of the

applicant by the Official who, at the time of signing, has TITLE of Quakertown Borough Council President.

2. If this Official signed the “Grant Agreement Signature Page” 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 Agreement Signature Page”, 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 Rosenberger, seconded by Councilman Scholl. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried (Councilman Propst absent).

HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 22-12, American Legion’s request to conduct the Memorial Day Parade, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-12

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 28, 2012, 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 Erwin. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried (Councilman Propst absent).

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 26-12, YMCA's request to hold a Cinco de Mayo 5K Run on borough streets, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 26-12

WHEREAS, a request was received from the YMCA to conduct a Cinco de Mayo run on Borough streets.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of the YMCA to hold a Cinco de Mayo run on Borough Streets on May 2, 2012 at 7:00 p.m., provided they add the Borough as an additional insured on the insurance.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 28-12, Quakertown Police Contract extension, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 28-12

WHEREAS an agreement has been reached between the Borough of Quakertown and the Quakertown Borough Police Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the proper Borough officials are authorized to sign the contract extension agreement between the Quakertown Borough Police Association and the Borough of Quakertown covering the period of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 29-12, Quakertown Clean-up Day, be

adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 29-12

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown wishes to declare April 21, 2012 (rain date April 28, 2012) as Quakertown Clean-up Day.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Borough Council of the Borough of Quakertown declares April 21, 2012 (rain date April 28, 2012) as Quakertown Clean-up Day in which a group of volunteers will clean trash from Borough owned properties.

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

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 25-12, awarding Wells 7, 8 and 9 Project bid, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-12

ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO EASTERN ENVIRONMENTAL CONTRACTORS, INC.

RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Quakertown, That, the bid of Eastern Environmental Contractors, Inc. of Green Lane, Pennsylvania, in the amount of \$2,069,690.00 for Wells 7, 8 and 9 Water Treatment Plant as per bid opened November 22, 2011, is hereby accepted. The contract is awarded to Eastern Environmental Contractors, 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 Councilman Johnson. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried (Councilman Propst absent).

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

In Councilman Propst's absence, President Roberts stated that there aren't any items for

action under the Public Works Committee.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 23-12, Pride of Quakertown's request to hold a dash and dip, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 23-12

WHEREAS, a request was received from the Pride of Quakertown to hold a 5K Dash and Dip starting at the Borough's Pool parking lot, looping through Memorial Park and out to Broad Street and end at the Pool parking lot.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of the Pride of Quakertown to hold a 5K Dash and Dip on Saturday, July 21, 2012, provided they add the Borough as an additional insured on the insurance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, the Borough Council grants the use of the Borough Swimming Pool by the participants of the event following the event.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 24-12, American Bulldog Rescue's request to hold a Dog Egg Hunt, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 24-12

WHEREAS, a request was received from American Bulldog Rescue to use Memorial Park softball field to hold a Dog Egg Hunt and to rent the bandshell.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of American Bulldog Rescue to use Memorial Park softball field on April 28, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to hold a Dog Egg Hunt, and rent the bandshell, provided they add the Borough as an additional insured on the insurance.

Motion of Councilman Williams, seconded by Councilman Scholl.

Councilman Scholl pointed out that they indicated that they probably won't need the bandshell.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried (Councilman Propst absent).

President Roberts announced that following tonight's meeting, a tour of the new and improved Police Department facilities will be held for Council and the press.

Councilman Roberts announced that the Bucks County Recorder of Deeds office is holding a program providing for Veterans Discount Cards on March 9th at the Quakertown Library from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to take the veterans pictures for the cards and are encouraging the merchants in the community to honor the discount cards.

Councilman Rosenberger acknowledged that Council President Robert's Mother-in-Law Kathryn Rotenberger passed away last weekend and, on behalf of Council, offered condolences to President Roberts.

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