

A regular meeting of the Borough Council was held August 7, 2013, 7:30 p.m.

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

RESOLVED, That, the Minutes of July 3, 2013, be approved as written. Motion of Councilman Rosenberger, seconded by Councilman Williams. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried.

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

July 8, 2013	---	\$330,071.00
July 11, 2013	---	17,320.21
July 19, 2013	---	786,512.87
July 26, 2013	---	9,257.91
July 31, 2013	---	324,967.79

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

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 89-13, Roselon Industries, Inc., property line adjustments, be adopted:

RESOLUTION 89-13

WHEREAS, Roselon Industries, Inc. has filed a lot-line adjustment plan dated May 17, 2013, revised June 28, 2013 and July 17, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Quakertown Planning Commission and the Bucks County Planning Commission have reviewed and recommended approval of the plan dated May 17, 2013, as revised, with the following waivers:

1. Waiver from Section 506.1.A and 506.4.H - additional right-of-way, cartway widening, and right-of-way radii for Fourth and Apple Streets. (The purpose of this plan is to adjust property lines and eliminate one tax parcel. No development is proposed with this plan.)
2. A waiver from Section 306.J – showing existing sanitary and storm sewer facilities

on the plan.

3. A waiver from Section 306.K – showing existing grades on the plan.
4. A waiver from Section 506.6.B and 506.6.D – installing curb and sidewalk along Fourth and Apple Streets. (Curb and sidewalk currently do not exist along Fourth and Apple Streets.)
5. A waiver from Section 507.2 – a paved width of 22 feet for the existing alleys. (The existing right-of-ways are only 20 feet in width.)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Quakertown that the plan dated May 17, 2013, as revised, including the above waivers, is approved. The plan must be recorded in Bucks County within ninety (90) days.

Motion of Councilman Scholl, seconded by Councilman Propst.

Under discussion, Councilman Rosenberger asked when they combine these five lots into four, will they be reassessed or will the tax base stay the same? President Roberts stated that it will not be reassessed as to value since there is nothing occurring with the building. President Roberts further stated that he doesn't know what will happen in the future.

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

REVENUE & FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 87-13, replacing Peg-TV with Qtv management by QCSD, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 87-13

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a proposal to manage the Borough's QTV channel from the Quakertown Community School District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown wishes to accept the Quakertown Community School District's "Quakertown Borough-QCSD TV News Partnership Proposal" dated June 19, 2013.

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 88-13, adopting an Infrastructure Maintenance Policy, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 88-13

WHEREAS, in order for the Borough to comply with GASB 34, the Borough is required to account for and report infrastructure capital assets; and

WHEREAS, an Infrastructure Maintenance Policy, dated July 17, 2013 and revised July 23, 2013, has been prepared.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown wishes to adopt the Infrastructure Maintenance Policy dated July 17, 2013 (revised July 23, 2013).

Infrastructure Maintenance

Purpose

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 34, the Borough is required to account for and report infrastructure capital assets. The Borough defines infrastructure as the basic physical assets including the road system. Each major infrastructure system can be divided into subsystems. For example, the street system can be divided into concrete and asphalt pavements, concrete curbing, sidewalks, streetlights, traffic control devices (signs, signals and pavement markings), landscaping and land. Subsystem detail is not presented in the Borough's basic financial statements; however, the Borough maintains detailed information on these subsystems.

Policy Statement

The Borough has elected to use the "Modified Approach" as defined by GASB Statement No. 34 for infrastructure reporting for its infrastructure assets. Under GASB Statement No. 34, eligible infrastructure capital assets are not required to be depreciated under the following requirements:

The Borough manages the eligible infrastructure capital assets using an asset management system with characteristics of (1) an up to date inventory; (2) perform condition assessments and summarize the results using a measurement scale; and (3) estimate annual amount to be budgeted to maintain and preserve at the established condition assessment level.

The Borough documents that the eligible infrastructure capital assets are being preserved approximately at or above the established and disclosed assessment level. In 2012, the Borough commissioned a physical condition assessment of the streets which was completed and dated December, 2012. These streets, primarily asphalt, were defined as all physical features associated with the

operation of motorized vehicles that exist within the limits of right of way. This condition assessment will be performed annually in conjunction with the operating budget. Each street was assigned a physical condition based on 6 potential defects. A pavement condition index (PCI) was assigned to each street and expressed in a continuous scale from 1 to 100, where 0 is assigned to the least acceptable physical condition and 100 is assigned the physical characteristics of a new street. The following conditions were defined and associated to a rating within our asset management system:

Condition	Rating	Asset Management System Rating
Excellent	100 – 81	5
Good	80 – 61	4
Fair	60 – 41	3
Poor	40 – 21	2
Fail	20 – 0	1

The Borough Policy will be to achieve a minimum rating of “Good” for each street, which is a 4 rating, within our Borough established asset management system. This rating allows minor cracking and raveling of the pavement along with minor roughness that will not be noticeable to drivers traveling at the posted speeds. As of June 30, 2013, the Borough’s street system was rated at a PCI index of 78 on the average with the detail condition as follows:

Condition	% of Streets
Excellent	35.1%
Good	30.7%
Fair	24.5%
Poor	8.8%
Fail	0.0%

Motion of Councilman Rosenberger, seconded by Councilman Williams.

Under discussion, Councilman Rosenberger stated that at the Work Session, we talked about the rating difference between 5 and 4 and having a goal of 80, but that was changed. Our policy is going to achieve, as a Borough, a minimum rating of good for each of our streets, which would be the category 4 or above.

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

HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE COMMITTEE

Councilman Johnson stated that there aren't any items for action under the Health, Safety & Welfare Committee.

Councilman Johnson stated that last night's National Night Out was very well attended.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 86-13, rejection of bids received for the wastewater tank, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 86-13

WHEREAS, bids were received on June 13, 2013 for the wastewater tank coating/lining and the water tank painting; and

WHEREAS, the bid of J. P. Smith Contractors did not meet specifications and the bid of TT&T Finishing Contractors came in over the amount budgeted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Quakertown that any and all bids received for opening on June 13, 2013 for the wastewater tank coating/lining and the water tank painting be rejected.

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

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 76-13, request from United Friends School to conduct a 5K Race/1 Mile Run Walk, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 76-13

WHEREAS, a request was received from the United Friends School to hold a "Running with Friends" 1 Mile and a 5K run beginning at the pool parking lot and ending at the school.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of the United Friends School to hold a "Running with Friends" 1 Mile and a 5K run on May 17, 2014, provided they add the Borough as an

additional insured on the insurance.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 83-13, Tennis Zone request to conduct a 5K Race, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 83-13

WHEREAS, a request was received from the Tennis Zone and Fitness Center to use Borough streets and park for a 5K Road Race.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of the Tennis Zone and Fitness Center to hold a 5K road race on Saturday, September 21, 2013 provided they add the Borough as an additional insured on the insurance and provided Tennis Zone personnel ensure the safety of runners when traversing any streets.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 84-13, Borough Bike Night event, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 84 -13

RESOLVED, That, September 14, 2013, 3:00 to 9:00 p.m., (rain date September 15, 2013, 12:00 to 6:00 p.m.) has been established as "Quakertown Bike Night" for the Borough of Quakertown, which will necessitate the closing of Mill Street between Fourth Street and Ninth Street to include the pool parking lot and some of the park facilities.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 85-13, request from Church World Service to conduct a Crop Walk, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 85-13

WHEREAS, a request was received for a public gathering permit from the Church World Service to hold a Crop Walk.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the public gathering permit to the Church World Service for a Crop Walk to be held on October 13, 2013, the route of the walk traverses from Memorial Park throughout the Borough provided the Borough is added as an additional insured on the insurance.

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

the motion was unanimously carried.

President Roberts declared the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

BOROUGH OF QUAKERTOWN

L. James Roberts, Jr.
President of Council

Attest:

Scott C. McElree
Borough Secretary