

A regular meeting of the Borough Council was held September 4, 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 and Daniel Williams, Solicitor Charles Fonzone, Manager Scott C. McElree and Asst. Borough Secretary Phyllis R. Ewing.

RESOLVED, That, the Minutes of August 7, 2013, be approved as written. Motion of Councilman Rosenberger, seconded by Councilman Propst. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously carried (Councilman Scholl absent).

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

August 2, 2013	---	\$101,963.34
August 9, 2013	---	\$71,610.68
August 13, 2013	---	\$1,557.50
August 16, 2013	---	\$914,963.48
August 23, 2013	---	\$10,963.52
August 28, 2013	---	\$199,751.73

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

Visitors:

Neil Schwan, First Savings Insurance, presented Council with a check in the amount of \$34,093.94, a safety group dividend from the EMC Insurance Company.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 100-13, appointing a Junior Councilperson be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 100-13  
Junior Council Member Joy Zheng

Whereas, the Borough of Quakertown wishes to comply with all the requirements of Resolution 20-07.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, That Borough Council hereby appoints Joy Zheng as the Junior Council Member for the period of September 2013 through June 2014.

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

President Roberts swore in Junior Councilperson Joy Zheng.

On behalf of Council, President Roberts welcomed Joy Zheng as the Junior Councilmember.

### **PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE**

In Councilman Scholl's absence, President Roberts stated that there aren't any items for action under the Planning & Zoning Committee.

### **REVENUE & FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Following a brief discussion, Council directed the Borough Manager to move forward with the bidding process of the Borough Hall HVAC replacement system.

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 10-13, Fire Department financial support, truck replacement plan, be adopted:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 10-13**

WHEREAS, the Quakertown Fire Department has requested the disbursement of \$80,000 for the acquisition of emergency services equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown, grants the release of \$80,000 to the Quakertown Fire Department from the Fire Capital Fund (30) to be used for emergency services equipment.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 97-13, request from Fire Company station 18 to waive fees, be adopted:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 97-13**

WHEREAS, the West End Fire Company is in the process of completing building renovations and expansions to their Station; and

WHEREAS, a request was received from the Quakertown West End Fire Company to waive the costs of the zoning hearing board fees; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Borough Code, Section 1202, allows Council to waive associated fees for fire companies.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of

Quakertown grants the request to waive the zoning hearing fees, excluding any associated external fees the Borough may experience, such as plan review and/or other third party involvement

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

Councilman Rosenberger made the following announcement: The 2014 Borough's Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO) for the Borough pension plans will be a total of \$744,895.00 – (\$403,613.00 police pension, \$290,322.00 non-uniform and \$50,960.00 defined contribution plan).

### **HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE COMMITTEE**

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 94-13, request from Quakertown Alive! to conduct the Autumn Alive Festival and close streets, be adopted:

#### RESOLUTION NO. 94-13

WHEREAS, a request was received for a public gathering permit from Quakertown Alive! to hold their Autumn Alive Festival on October 19<sup>th</sup> (rain date October 26, 2013) with street closings of W. and E. Broad Streets from Fourth Street to Hellertown Avenue including Front Street and to waive the fee for use of the bandshell; and

WHEREAS, Council, in the adoption of Resolution 19-06, reserved the right to waive these fees for certain civic or charitable events, which they deem beneficial to the betterment of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Council of the Borough of Quakertown grants the request of Quakertown Alive! to hold their Autumn Alive Festival on October 19, 2013 (rain date October 26, 2013), to waive the fee for the bandshell, and to close Borough streets provided approval is received from PennDOT to close Broad Street and also that the Borough is added 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 (Councilman Scholl absent).

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 96-13, temporary multi-way stop intersections on Ninth and Main Streets:

#### Resolution 96-13

WHEREAS, Chapter 15, Section 105 of the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of Quakertown permits Borough Council to enact temporary, specific traffic and/or parking regulations for up to 90 days; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Manager/Chief of Police is recommending to Borough Council that multi-way stop signs be added to Ninth and Main Streets.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Quakertown to place multi-way stop signs on Ninth and Main Streets for up to ninety days.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 99-13, request of Mike Pancione regarding a Toy Run, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 99-13

WHEREAS, a request was received from Mike Pancione to engage in a BCC&Y Motorcycle Toy Run.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, the Council of the Borough of Quakertown, grants the request of Mike Pancione to engage in a BCC&Y Motorcycle Toy Run on Saturday, October 12, 2013, 11:00 a.m., provided the proper route is followed: Main Street to 9<sup>th</sup> Street, 9<sup>th</sup> Street to West Broad Street, then east on Broad Street and head out of town.

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

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE**

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 95-13, Benchmark Analytics contract renewal, be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 95-13

WHEREAS, the Wastewater Treatment Plant requires the use of laboratory services by a laboratory that is accredited; and

WHEREAS, Benchmark Analytics, Inc. is an accredited laboratory and has submitted a proposed contract.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Quakertown, That, the proper Borough official be authorized to execute the contract with Benchmark Analytics for professional services of laboratory testing at the Wastewater Treatment Plant covering the period of January 1, 2014 thru December 31, 2016.

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

### **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 91-13, Krupp Site Development bids, be adopted:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 91-13 ACCEPTING BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO LAND-TECH ENTERPRISES, INC.**

RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Quakertown, That, the bid of Land-Tech Enterprises, Inc. of Warrington, Pennsylvania, in the amount of \$369,740.00 for Krupp Site Development Earthwork as per bid opened August 6, 2013, is hereby accepted. The contract is awarded to Land-Tech Enterprises, Inc. The Borough Manager is hereby authorized to execute the said contract on behalf of the Borough of Quakertown.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 93-13, Krupp Site Landscaping bids, be adopted:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 93-13**

WHEREAS, bids were received on August 6, 2013 for the Landscaping of the Krupp Site Park Development; and

WHEREAS, the bids 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 August 6, 2013 for the Landscaping of the Krupp Site Park Development, referred to as Contract #3 in the bid packet be rejected.

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

RESOLVED, That, the following Resolution 98-13, Crossroads Pregnancy Care's request to conduct "Walk for Life", be adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 98-13

WHEREAS, Crossroads Pregnancy Care has applied for a public gathering permit to conduct a "Walk for Life" through Quakertown.

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 for Life" through Quakertown beginning and ending in Memorial Park on October 12, 2013, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. provided they add the Borough as an additional insured on the insurance.

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

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

BOROUGH OF QUAKERTOWN

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L. James Roberts, Jr.  
President of Council

Attest:

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Phyllis R. Ewing  
Asst. Borough Secretary