

# Borough Council Meeting

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Minutes – January 27, 2021

Call to Order – Mr. Daly called the meeting to order at 6:05pm after computer network issues were corrected, and Mr. Gillette offered the meeting prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call – The following members of the Borough Council were present; Cori Belles (via Zoom), Jessie Dekar, Patrick Gillette, Jessica Meyer (via Zoom), Irene Slocum, and James Daly. Excused: Jason Serfas. Also present; Henry Farley, Mayor; Gil Crossett, Assistant Fire Chief (via Zoom); Elizabeth Fice, Borough Treasurer; Jonathan Foster Jr., Borough Solicitor (via Zoom); Blane Lathrop, DPW Foreman; Christopher Kaiden, Code Enforcement Director; Robert Repasky, Fire Chief (via Zoom), Dan Reynolds, Police Chief; and David Jarrett, Borough Manager.

Citizens To Be Heard – There were none.

Approval of Minutes - Mr. Daly asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes for the Borough Council Workshop meetings held on December 14, 2020 and January 11, 2021. The minutes will be placed on file.

Approval of Bills List – A motion was made by Mr. Gillette and seconded by Mrs. Dekar to approve the bills list as presented. Under the question: There were none. Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mrs. Dekar, Mr. Gillette, Miss Meyer, Mrs. Slocum, and Mr. Daly; YES.

Correspondence Report – January 2021 - There were no questions or comments.

Finance Report – December 31, 2020 – There were no questions or comments.

Elected Officials - Mayor Farley announced that a Proclamation was prepared recognizing Karen Cooley who served on the Borough's Zoning Hearing Board for more than 40 years. Mayor Farley stated that the Proclamation is being issued to Mrs. Cooley on behalf of the Borough to recognize her years of dedicated service to the Zoning Hearing Board and the direction she provided to new members on the Board.

Vote to Approve Island Pond Maintenance Agreement – A motion was made by Mrs. Slocum and seconded by Mrs. Belles to approve the the annual maintenance agreement for Island Pond with Aquatic Environment Consultants (AEC). Under the question: There were none. Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mrs. Dekar, Mr. Gillette, Miss Meyer, Mrs. Slocum, and Mr. Daly; YES.

Vote to Approve Hiring of Public Works Per Diem Employee - A motion was made by Mrs. Dekar and seconded by Mr. Gillette to hire Zander Whitmarsh as a Per Diem Public Works Employee retroactively to December 16, 2020. Under the question: There were none. Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mrs. Dekar, Mr. Gillette, Miss Meyer, Mr. Serfas, Mrs. Slocum, and Mr. Daly; YES.

Vote to Approve Appointment to Zoning Hearing Board - A motion was made by Mrs. Slocum and seconded by Mrs. Dekar to appoint Jack Repasky to replace Karen Cooley on the Borough's Zoning Hearing Board. Under the question: Mr. Repasky currently serves as an Alternate member of the Zoning Hearing Board. Under the question: There were none. Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mrs. Dekar, Mr. Gillette, Miss Meyer, Mrs. Slocum, and Mr. Daly; YES.

Announcement – Mr. Daly acknowledged Public Works Assistant Foreman Nicholas Shamot on his 20 year anniversary with the Department of Public Works.

Recess – Mr. Daly recessed the meeting at 6:13pm prior to going into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue.

Executive Session – The Borough Council went into Executive Session at 6:15pm to discuss a personnel issue in the Public Works Department. The session ended at 6:40pm.

Vote to Hire Full-Time Operator/Laborer - A motion was made by Mrs. Dekar and seconded by Mr. Gillette to extend an offer of employment to Dylan Haynes as a full-time Operator/Laborer-Probationary employee. Under the question: There were none. Roll Call: Mrs. Belles, Mrs. Dekar, Mr. Gillette, Miss Meyer, Mrs. Slocum, and Mr. Daly; YES.

2021 Meeting Schedule – A motion was made by Mrs. Dekar and seconded by Miss Meyer to approve the 2021 meeting schedule. Under the question: Mr. Jarrett stated that the meetings will be hosted via Zoom for the next few months and that enhancements will be made to ensure that the meetings can be conducted without interruption due to network issues. AYES: 6

Month	Workshop Meeting Date – 5:30pm Reserve Every Monday - 5:30pm	Regular Meeting Date - 6:00pm
February	February 8 <sup>th</sup>	February 24 <sup>th</sup>
March	March 8 <sup>th</sup>	March 24 <sup>th</sup>
April	April 12 <sup>th</sup>	April 28 <sup>th</sup>
May	May 10 <sup>th</sup>	May 26 <sup>th</sup>
June	June 14 <sup>th</sup>	June 23 <sup>rd</sup>
July	July 12 <sup>th</sup>	July 28 <sup>th</sup>
August	August 16 <sup>th</sup>	August 25 <sup>th</sup>
September	September 13 <sup>th</sup>	September 22 <sup>nd</sup>
October	October 11 <sup>th</sup>	October 27 <sup>th</sup>
November	November 8 <sup>th</sup>	November 22 <sup>nd</sup>
December	December 13 <sup>th</sup>	December 22 <sup>nd</sup>

Vote to Approve Park Use Request – A motion was made by Mrs. Belles and seconded by Mr. Gillette to approve the Park Use Request submitted by Liz Terwilliger to host a Pop-Up Food Pantry event in Riverfront Park on February 14, 2021. Under the question: There were none. AYES: 6

Adjourn – A motion was made by Mrs. Belles and seconded by Miss Meyer to adjourn the meeting at 6:45pm

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Jarrett', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

David M Jarrett  
Borough Manager/Secretary