

BRISTOL TOWNSHIP

2501 Bath Road
Bristol, PA 19007

June 20, 2019

COUNCIL MEETING

President Bowen called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

Roll Call:	President Bowen	Present
	Vice-President Murphy	Present
	Mr. Antonello	Present
	Mr. Blalock	Present
	Mr. Glasson	Present
	Mr. Monahan	Absent
	Mrs. Wagner	Present

Also Present: William J. McCauley, III, Township Manager; Randall C. Flager, Township Solicitor; Kurt Schroeder, Township Engineer, and Randee J. Elton, Deputy Township Manager & Township Secretary.

Township Solicitor Randy Flager announced legal, real estate and personnel matters were discussed in Executive Session prior to the meeting.

Council President Bowen announced monthly reports are available for review in the Township Manager's Office and public comment on land development and official items will be taken during the meeting. In addition, residents may offer general comments at the end of the meeting.

VOUCHER LIST & MINUTES

- A. Call for a motion to approve the outstanding Voucher List and Requisitions for June 20, 2019.

Motion by Vice President Murphy and seconded by Mr. Antonello to approve the outstanding voucher list and requisitions for June 20, 2019. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

- B. Call for a motion to approve the minutes of the Township Council Meeting of May 16, 2019.

Motion by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Glasson to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2019 Council Meeting. Mr. Monahan abstained due to absence. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0-1.

PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

A. Presentations of Monthly Awards for Exemplary Recycling Performance.

President Bowen presented a \$50 Gift Certificate to the Hendrickson Family of Goldenridge and the Fegely of Indian Creek for their exemplary recycling efforts.

B. Presentation by Bucks County Planning Commission on the Transportation and Community Development Initiative.

Mike Roedig, Evan Stone, Rich Brahler, and Margie McKeivitt from Bucks County Planning Commission were in attendance. The TDCI is a grant from DVRPC. The purpose of the Bristol Township TCDI Study (2019) is to understand the economic impacts of the I-95/Pennsylvania Turnpike interchange connection and develop an economic vision and plan aimed at reinvigorating Bristol Township's industrial and retail base, revitalizing vacant and underutilized areas, increasing job opportunities, and enhancing the township's character and sense of place.

Summary of findings are to coordinate with economic development agencies to develop a targeted promotional campaign by emphasizing the area's location at the critically important intersection of Interstate 95 and the Pennsylvania Turnpike; develop a comprehensive program of blight removal and data-driven code enforcement for commercial and residential properties; investigate and consider a land bank under the Land Bank Act's enabling legislation and recently enacted Act 33; re-examine zoning ordinances to realign land use regulations with changing demand, develop zoning ordinance provisions to encourage redevelopment of identified opportunity areas, and address outstanding zoning issues; and develop a comprehensive program of economic development

C. Presentation from BBD, LLP of the 2018 Audit of Financial Statements.

Carl Hogan, from BBD presented the 2018 Audit Findings. There are no findings to report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance; no management letter comments Single Audit was required and had no findings; there was an unmodified opinion on compliance. Internal controls over compliance were also evaluated and deemed satisfactory.

D. Presentation by Community Development Director on 2019 Fiscal Year Community Development Action Plan.

Heather Mahaley, Director of Community Development presented the Public Hearing for the 2019 Fiscal Year for the Community Development Action Plan, as required by HUD. In fiscal year 2019, Bristol Township will receive \$602,959. Administration 20% cap is allocated at \$120,591; housing emergency repairs is allocated at \$100,000 and public facilities at \$382,368 for JFK Park.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. A Resolution of Respect for Marie Titano: Consideration to Adopt.

Vice President Murphy read the Resolution of Commendation in honor of Marie Titano who was a long-standing employee of the Township who passed away earlier this year. *All in favor motion carried by a vote of 7-0.*

- B. A Resolution of Commendation Honoring Mae Krier one of the original “Rosie the Riveters”: Consideration to Adopt.

Vice President Murphy read the Resolution of Commendation in honor of Mae Krier who is an original Rosie the Riveter that assisted at Boeing during WWII helping building B-17’s and B-29’s. *All in favor motion carried by a vote of 7-0.*

- C. A Resolution of Commendation Honoring Jim Knowles for his Volunteer Service to Bristol Township picking up litter throughout Plumbridge for Four Years: Consideration to Adopt.

Vice President Murphy read the Resolution of Commendation in honor of Jim Knowles for cleaning the Plumbridge the trash and debris in the Plumbridge Section and Greenbelt. *All in favor motion carried by a vote of 7-0.*

- D. A Resolution Approving the Transportation and Community Development Initiative: Consideration to Adopt.

Mr. Antonello made a motion and seconded by Vice President Murphy to Approve the Transportation and Community Development Initiative Study. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

- E. A Resolution Approving the 2019 Fiscal Year Community Development Action Plan: Consideration to Adopt.

Mr. Antonello made a motion and seconded by Vice President Murphy to Approve the 2019 Fiscal Year Community Development Action Plan.

- F. A Resolution Declaring 3321 Ford Road Tax Map 05-024-082, as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

Heather Mahaley, Director of Community Development presented the property as blighted previously in January 2018. The owner had entered into a remediation plan with the Township and started the work, but it stopped. The property was up for Sheriff Sale and was dismissed on a procedural basis. The property has continually been a code enforcement problem and has gotten worse. *Mr. Antonello made a motion and seconded by Vice President Murphy to Blight 3321 Ford Road. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.*

- G. A Resolution Declaring 516 Western Avenue Tax Map 05-058-035, as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

Heather Mahaley, Director of Community Development presented the property as blighted previously in January 2018. The owner had received building permits and after repeated call for the work to begin, nothing has occurred. *Mr. Antonello made a motion and seconded by Vice President Murphy to Blight 516 Western Avenue. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.*

- H. A Resolution of the Township of Bristol Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Equipment and Vehicles: Consideration to Adopt.

Mr. McCauley advised there are older Public Work and Police fleet that are no longer in use and can be sold on Municibid, an online public auction. *Mr. Antonello made a motion and seconded by Vice President Murphy Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Equipment and Vehicles. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.*

- I. A Resolution Approving a Maintenance Agreement for Sidewalks on New Falls Road: Consideration to Adopt.

Mr. McCauley advised PennDOT will be installing sidewalks on New Falls Road and this maintenance agreement is for the responsibility of these sidewalks. *Mr. Antonello made a motion and seconded by Vice President Murphy Approving a Maintenance Agreement for Sidewalks on New Falls Road. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.*

REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP MANAGER

The Municipal Park is progressing; the amphitheater, the pump house for the spray park, concession stand and bathrooms and little league

Mr. McCauley advised he would like to put forth Jill Maier for the Assistant Township Secretary. *Vice President Murphy made a motion and seconded by Joe Glasson for. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.*

REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

Mr. Flager advised the School Board has reached a settlement Tax Assessment Appeal with SKXWBT; the Township's portion of the settlement is \$19,030.40. Mr. Flager recommends this settlement. *Mr. Glasson made a motion and seconded by Vice President Murphy for. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.*

Mr. Flager advised the Opioid Litigation lawsuit has been filed on behalf of Bristol Township; there is chance this lawsuit will be a National Class Action Lawsuit.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Application from Bank of America, 503 S. Oxford Valley Road, Fairless Hills PA (Tax Parcel #5-44-002-001) requesting Preliminary & Final Land Development approval to improve the ATM structure and lighting at the rear of the bank at the above noted location in a C-Commercial zoned district: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Paul Mutch, Stonefield Engineering on behalf of Bank of America. Presented the minor project of removing the existing ATM building and installing a smaller ATM system and upgrading the lighting per the lighting consultant.

Mrs. Wagner made a motion and seconded by Mr. Blalock for Approval of Preliminary & Final Land Development to improve the ATM structure and lighting. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

- B. Tentative Sketch Plan of Housing Visions Consultants, Inc., 1201 E. Fayette St., Syracuse NY requesting Sketch Plan review for proposed two (2) 3-story apartment buildings located at 7405 New Falls Road, Levittown (Tax Parcel #5-35-246) in an MS Municipal Services zoned district.

Chris Trevisani, Vice President of Development for Housing Visions presented a history of the nonprofit company and their proposed development.

- C. Application of Global Metals Works, 1509 Clyde Waite Drive, (Tax Parcel #5-061-421-005) requesting Final Land Development Re-Approval of a 43,680 square foot warehouse building in the M-1 Light manufacturing district: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Frank Dillion and Heath Dumack presented for the applicants Bob Walker and Bob Marquee. The plan was approved ten years ago, additional zoning relief was acquired and reapproval is necessary. The applicant agrees with the Resolution.

Mr. Antonello made a motion and seconded by Mrs. Wagner for Approval of Final Land Development of a 43,680 square foot warehouse building. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

- D. Bids for the 2019-2020 Road Materials Bid: Consideration to Accept.

Mrs. Wagner made a motion and seconded by Mr. Monahan to accept Eureka for road materials for Public Works. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mrs. Wagner asked about the Wistar Road Bridge. Mr. Schroeder advised they have poured the deck, and they are working on railings. They should be completed within two to four weeks, on time and the contractor has done a great job.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

West Rexler, 504 Western Ave, spoke of issues not pertaining to Township business and various conspiracy theories regarding the Township.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Randee J. Elton
Township Secretary

Recap of June 20, 2019 Council Meeting

1. Approved Voucher List and Requisitions from May 16, 2019.
2. Approved May 16, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes.
3. Presented Recycling Awards.
4. Bucks County Planning Commission presented their Transportation and Community Development Initiative Study.
5. Resolution of Respect for Marie Titano (2019-28) was approved and presented to Marie's family.
6. Resolution of Commendation (2019-29) honoring Mae Krier, one of the original "Rosie the Riveters."
7. Resolution of Commendation (2019-30) honoring Jim Knowles for his Volunteer Services in the Plumbridge Section.
8. BBD, LLP presented the 2018 Audit of Financial Statements.
9. Public Hearing held for the 2019 Fiscal Year Community Development Action Plan.
10. Approved Resolution (2019-31) for the Transportation and Community Development Initiative Study.
11. Approved Resolution (2019-32) the 2019 Fiscal Year Community Development Action Plan.
12. Approved Resolution (2019-33) declaring 3321 Ford Road (TMP 05-024-082) as Blighted.
13. Approved Resolution (2019-34) declaring 516 Western Avenue (TMP 05-058-035) as Blighted.
14. Approved Resolution (2019-35) authorizing the sale of surplus equipment and vehicles.
15. Approved Resolution (2019-36) approving a Maintenance Agreement for sidewalks in New Falls Road.
16. Appointed Jill Maier as the Assistant Township Secretary.
17. Approved Resolution (2019-37) for Preliminary and Final Land Development Approval for Bank of America to improve the ATM structure and lighting at 503 S. Oxford Valley Road.

18. Housing Visions Consultants, Inc., presented a Sketch Plan for two proposed three-story apartment buildings on 7405 New Falls Road.
19. Approved Resolution (2019-38) for Final Land Development Re-Approval for a 43,680 square foot warehouse building at 1509 Clyde Waite Drive.
20. Accepted Eureka Stone Quarry, LLC as the lowest bidder for 2019-2020 Road Material.