

BRISTOL TOWNSHIP

2501 BATH ROAD
BRISTOL, PA 19007

May 18, 2017

COUNCIL MEETING

President Bowen called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Roll Call:	President Bowen	Present
	Mr. Allen	Present
	Mr. Antonello	Present
	Mr. Glasson	Present
	Mr. Monahan	Absent
	Mrs. Murphy	Present

Also Present: William J. McCauley, III, Township Manager, Scott Swichar, Deputy Township Manager; Randall C. Flager, Township Solicitor; Adam Flager, Deputy Township Solicitor; Kate Murphy, Township Secretary.

Township Solicitor, Randall C. Flager announced that general personnel matters were discussed in Executive Session prior to the meeting.

Council President Bowen announced that the 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 May 18, 2017.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Mr. Allen to approve the outstanding voucher list and requisitions for May 18, 2017.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0.

- B. Call for a motion to approve the minutes from the Council Meeting on April 20, 2017.

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Motion by Mrs. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Antonello to approve the minutes of the Council Meeting on April 20, 2017.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

C. Call for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 16, 2017 Council Meeting.

Motion by Mr. Antonello and seconded by Mr. Glasson to approve the minutes from the March 16, 2017 Council Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

PRESENTATIONS and APPOINTMENTS

A. Presentation of Certificates of Commendations for exemplary recycling efforts.

Deputy Township Manager, Scott Swichar announced the Spring Clean-Ups were a tremendous success despite the horrible weather on Saturday, May 13th. The Township collected 24.22 tons, the equivalent of 18 dumpsters. Mr. Swichar thanked the numerous volunteers who assisted in the success of the event and stated a Fall Clean-Up date will be announced shortly.

The Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be held on Saturday May 27 at Truman High School from 9:00 to 3:00pm. The event is rain or shine.

Council President Bowen presented a \$50 Gift Certificate to the Fisher Family of Levittown and the Neumann Family of Croydon for their exemplary recycling efforts.

President Bowen recommended that Councilwoman Murphy be appointed as Council Vice President.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by President Bowen to Appoint Cynthia Murphy as Council Vice President.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

Motion by Vice-President Murphy and seconded by Mr. Glasson to appoint Maryann Wagner, of Levittown, to fill the unexpired term of Amber Longhitano.

Barbara Bill, Elford Road, inquired if the Township has a By-Laws to follow when nominating a new Council member due to vacancy. Township Solicitor, Randall Flager, stated no.

West Rexler, West Bristol, suggested reviewing past practice.

David Fryer, Levittown, recommended waiting until the June Council meeting.

Motion carried by a vote of 3-2 with Mr. Allen and Mr. Antonello dissenting.

PROCLAMATIONS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

**A. A Resolution of Commendation Honoring Rian Christopher King,
Upon his Attainment of Eagle Scout: Consideration to Adopt.**

Vice- President Murphy read the Commendation into the record.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Vice President Murphy Approving the Resolution of Commendation of Rian Christopher King, upon his Attainment of Eagle Scout.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

**B. A Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Grant Application to
the Greenways, Trails, and Recreation (GRTP) Program in the amount
of \$250,000: Consideration to Adopt.**

Mr. Swichar stated the Township will be applying to the Department of Community and Economic Development (DECD) for a grant to the Greenways, Trails, and Recreation Program in the amount of \$250,000 for the creation of a Passive Park at Cedar Avenue in Croydon.

Motion by Vice President. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Antonello Authorizing the Submission of a Grant Application to the Greenways, Trails, and Recreation (GRTP) Program in the amount of \$250,000.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5– 0.

**C. A Resolution Authorizing the Submission of an Application for Traffic
Signal Approval for Bristol Pike and the PA Turnpike Ramp:
Consideration to Approve.**

Township Engineer, Kurt Schroeder, stated this project involves the intersection improvement at Bristol Pike and the Pa Turnpike. Jay Roth from Jacobs mentioned this improvement in the presentation given earlier this year to Council stated Township Manager Bill McCauley.

Motion by Mr. Antonello and seconded by Mr. Allen Approving the Submission of an Application for Traffic Signal Approval for Bristol Pike and the PA Turnpike Ramp.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

D. A Resolution Authorizing the Submission of an Application for Traffic Signal Approval for Bristol Pike and Green Lane: Consideration to Approve.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Mr. Allen Authorizing the Submission of an Application for Traffic Signal Approval for Bristol Pike and Green Lane.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Mr. McCauley reminded residents to please keep their property maintained per the Township Code as Building & Planning is aggressively enforcing the code. The department has cleaned up four properties that were chronic problems and eyesores for years within the past two weeks.

REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

Mr. Flager congratulated all the candidates that ran for office as well as the voters.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Charles W. Seeberger, 2000 Julie Court, Bensalem, requesting Preliminary & Final Subdivision approval for properties located at 2045 Bristol Pike & Buchanan St., Croydon (Tax Parcels #5-13-95 & #5-13-96) in a C-Commercial zoned district of Bristol Township: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.**

Mr. Flager read into the record an e-mail received by the applicant requesting an extension to September 30, 2017.

Motion by President Bowen and seconded by Mr. Glasson to accept the extension request to September 30, 2017 of Charles W. Seeberger, 2000 Julie Court, Bensalem, requesting Preliminary & Final Subdivision approval for properties located at 2045 Bristol Pike & Buchanan St., Croydon (Tax Parcels #5-13-95 & #5-13-96) in a C-Commercial zoned district of Bristol Township

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

- B. Redevelopment Authority of Bucks County, 216 Pond St., Bristol, and requesting Preliminary Subdivision approval for property located at 3716 Elmhurst Ave., Bristol (Tax Parcel #5-59-106) in a R-2 Residential zoned district of Bristol Township: Consideration to Take Appropriate Action.**

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John Richardson, Dumac Engineering, on behalf of his client and owner of the property, John Hall is requesting preliminary subdivision approval for the property located at 3716 Elmhurst Avenue and is approximately 14,415 square feet. If the application is approved the subdivision will divide T.M.P #05-059-106 into two (2) single family detached dwellings. The Applicant is also proposing to control storm water runoff from the proposed dwellings and impervious coverage by installing an underground infiltration basin on both lots.

The review letter received on May 18, 2017 is a Will Comply with the exception of the requested waivers.

Mr. Flager confirmed that the Applicant is in agreement with the Resolution presented and is prepared to sign said Resolution. Further that if approved the Resolution will be amended to read Final Subdivision Approval.

Motion by Mr. Antonello and seconded by Mr. Glasson Approving the Application for Preliminary Subdivision for the property located at 3716 Elmhurst Ave., Bristol (Tax Parcel #5-59-106) in an R-2 Residential zoned district of Bristol Township.

West Rexler, Western Ave, suggested that the waiver list should be read aloud for the residents.

President Bowen stated that it is great to see another blighted home being removed from the Township.

Mr. McCauley added that with the sale of the additional lot the Township has an opportunity to recoup some money that can be used to clean-up other blighted homes.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

- C. Jon Telepchak, 2731 Bertram Road, Bristol (Tax Parcels #5-19-61-177 & #5-19-61-18) requesting Preliminary Land Development approval in order to construct a 37,200 square foot building for manufacturing facility in a P-1 Planned Industrial Zoned District of Bristol Township: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.**

Attorney Tom Hecker, on behalf of the applicant, is requesting Preliminary and Final Land Development approval to construct a 37,200 square foot building for manufacturing facility located at 2731 Bertram Road.

Mike Telepchak, CEO United Chemicals, stated they have been in business in Bristol for 31 years and create products for the forensic science field. Within the past 10 years United Chemicals has expanded their operations to the environmental field and now find they are in the need more space.

The Applicant is in complete agreement as well as prepared to sign the drafted Resolution received from the Township Solicitor's office.

Motion by Vice President Murphy and seconded by Mr. Glasson Approving the Application for Preliminary and Final Land Development to construct a 37, 200 square foot building for a manufacturing facility in a P-1 Planned Industrial Zoned District of Bristol Township.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

C. Bids for 2017-2018 Road Materials: Consideration to Accept.

Mr. McCauley stated this is an annual bid and the recommendation is to award the contract to Eureka Stone Quarry.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Vice President Murphy to accept the low bid from Eureka Stone Quarry for the 2017-2018 Road Materials.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

D. Bids for 2017 Liquid Fuels Curb Ramp Program: Consideration to Accept.

Township Engineer, Kurt Schroeder stated this is the first of hopefully two contracts for the curb installation project. The second will occur in the fall. The project was put out to bid and it is his recommendation to the award the contract in the amount of \$ 438,421.35 to ABC Construction.

Barbara Bill, Elford Road, inquired to location of the curbs.

Mr. Schroeder stated this is for the ADA curb ramps throughout the Township's 51 intersections.

Motion by Mr. Allen and seconded by Vice President Murphy to accept the low bid from ABC Construction for the 2017 Liquid Fuels Curb Ramp Program in the amount of \$438,421.35.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

E. Bids for Route 13 Streetscape-Croydon Section Phase II: Consideration to Accept.

Mr. Schroeder stated that this is a continuation of the Croydon Section Phase II project that includes sidewalks, curbing, defined driveway entrances, ADA curb ramps, decorative pedestrian lighting and storm sewer improvements along the southern side of the Route 13 from the Neshaminy Creek to Cedar Avenue. It is his recommendation to award a contract in the amount of \$634,265.50 to Bencardino Excavating, Inc.

The award is well within the budget of \$1,000,000.00 that the Township received for this project from the Transportation Alternatives Program Grant (TAP).

Motion by Vice President Murphy and seconded by Mr. Glasson to accept the low bid from Bencardino Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$634,265.50.

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Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

President Bowen stated that the bridge in Millcreek and Plumridge that was closed due to dangerous conditions last year has gone out to bid to be repaired and reopened. The Wistar Road Bridge is also under review for construction.

David Frye, Levittown, commented about the kids that continue to go onto the Millcreek and Plumridge Bridge.

Vice President Murphy congratulated Truman High School for their \$10,000 grant received from Burlington Stores.

Mr. Antonello inquired about the potential paving on Marie Lowe Drive. Mr. Schroeder stated that PECO is trying to accommodate the residents on Marie Lowe Drive with the replacement of mains and the repaving of the street.

President Bowen requested that Mr. Schroeder discuss the run-off water from Cedar onto Sycamore before that is paved.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Laura Warden, 504 Western Ave, requested information on how to retrieve junk that was removed from her lawn. West Rexler, 504 Western Ave, continued with the request to obtain the same.

Edward Zanine, Flager & Associates, stated this was a court issued order to abate the property.

David Frye, 71 Mill Drive, voiced his concerns over the fast travel of the cars along his street and is requesting help from Council to have speed bumps placed along the drive.

Motion by President Bowen and seconded by the entire Council to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 5– 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Murphy
Township Secretary

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RECAP OF MAY 18, 2017 TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING

1. Approved the outstanding Voucher List and Requisitions from May 18, 2017.
2. Approved the April 20, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes.
3. Approved the March 16, 2017 Council Minutes.
4. Appointed Cynthia Murphy as Vice President of Bristol Township Council.
5. Appointed Maryann Wagner to fill the unexpired term of Amber Longhitano on Township Council.
6. Presented Monthly Awards for Exemplary Recycling Performance.
8. Adopted Resolution 2017-32 Honoring Rian Christopher King upon his attainment of Eagle Scout status.
9. Adopted Resolution 2017-33 Authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Greenways, Trails and Recreation (GTRP) Program in the amount of \$250,000.
10. Adopted Resolution 2017-34 Authorizing the submission of an application for Traffic Signal for the Bristol Pike and the Pennsylvania Turnpike Ramp.
11. Accepted an extension of time from Charles W. Seeberger, 2000 Julie Court, Bensalem, requesting Preliminary & Final Subdivision approval for properties located at 2045 Bristol Pike & Buchanan St., Croydon (Tax Parcels #5-13-95 & #5-13-96) in a C-Commercial zoned district of Bristol Township.
12. Approved Resolution 2017-35, Redevelopment Authority of Bucks County, 216 Pond St., Bristol, and requesting Preliminary Subdivision approval for property located at 3716 Elmhurst Ave., Bristol (Tax Parcel #5-59-106) in an R-2 Residential zoned district of Bristol Township.
13. Approved Resolution 2017-36, Jon Telepchak, 2731 Bartram Road, Bristol (Tax Parcels #5-19-61-17 & #5-19-61-18) requesting Preliminary Land Development approval in order to construct a 37,200 square foot building for a manufacturing facility in a P-I Planned Industrial Zoned District of Bristol Township.
14. Accepted the low bid for the 2017-2018 Road Materials from Eureka Stone Quarry.
15. Accepted the low bid for the 2017 Liquid Fuels Curb Ramp Program from ABC Construction in the amount of \$438,421.35.

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16. Accepted the low bid for the Route 13 Streetscape Croydon Section Phase II from Bencardino Excavating in the amount of \$634,265.50.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:34 pm.