

BRISTOL TOWNSHIP

2501 BATH ROAD
BRISTOL, PA 19007

February 19, 2015

COUNCIL MEETING

President Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

Roll Call:	Mr. Bowen	Present
	Mr. Glasson	Present
	Ms. Longhitano	Present
	Mr. Monahan	Present
	Ms. Murphy	Present
	Vice President Brennan	Present
	President Lewis	Present

Council President Lewis 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.

Council President Lewis stated matters of personnel and litigation items were discussed in the executive session.

VOUCHER LIST & MINUTES

- A. Call for a motion to approve the outstanding Voucher List and Requisitions for February 19, 2015.

Motion by Mr. Monahan and seconded by Mr. Glasson to approve the outstanding voucher list for February 19, 2015.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

- B. Call for a motion to approve minutes from the Council Meeting on January 15, 2015

Motion by Ms. Murphy and seconded by Ms. Longhitano to approve the minutes from the Council Meeting on January 15, 2015.

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COMMENDATIONS, PRESENTATIONS and REPORTS

A. A Resolution of Commendation Honoring Dale Frazier. Consideration to Adopt.

President Lewis read into the record a Resolution of Commendation recognizing community volunteer and G.O.A.L founder, Dale Frazier, for his extraordinary commitment to making Bristol Township a beautiful place to live.

Motion by Ms. Longhitano and seconded by the entire Council to approve a Resolution of Commendation Honoring Dale Frazier.

Caitlyn Frazier accepted the Commendation on behalf of her father and read a statement of "Thank You" addressed to Council.

Ed Armstrong thanked Council for the recognition of his friend and colleague, Dale Frazier.

Township Manager McCauley and Council recognized and thanked, Dale Frazier, The Environmental Advisory Council and G.O.A.L.

B. President Lewis presented Certificates of Commendation to the Doster Family from Edgely and the Clark Family from Levittown and presented both families with a \$50.00 Gift Certificate from TD Bank.

Council thanked the residents for their ongoing recycling efforts.

President Lewis announced that the Township will be holding the second Township Cleanup Event for the residents of Bristol Township. The free event is a great opportunity for residents to clean out their unwanted junk from garages, attics, or basements. President Lewis encouraged residents to mark their calendars for Saturday, May 16 and Sunday, May 17, 2015 from 8:00 to 12:30 P.M. at the Bristol Township Municipal Building.

C. Resolutions of Commendation for Scott Swichar and Joan Lamina for the Tremendous Increase in Recycling Performance in Bristol Township in 2014. Consideration to Adopt.

President Lewis read into the record Resolutions of Commendation honoring Scott Swichar and Joan Lamina for their dedication and outstanding customer service to the residents of Bristol Township throughout the transition in 2014 to Waste Management and for the tremendous 47% increase in residential recycling.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by the entire Council to approve Resolutions of Commendation Honoring Scott Swichar and Joan Lamina or their tremendous performance in increasing the residential recycling numbers.

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D. Swearing-In of New Police Officers

Township Manager McCauley asked Council for a motion to confirm the appointments of Patrick Kitchenman and John Yeiter as Police Officers for Bristol Township.

Motion by Ms. Longhitano and seconded by Mr. Glasson to confirm the appointments of Patrick Kitchenman and John Yeiter as Probationary Police Officers for Bristol Township.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Judge Kline swore in Patrick Kitchenman and John Yeiter and welcomed them to Bristol Township.

- A. Presentation of Commendations to Volunteer Fire Companies, Rescue Squads, Fire Police, Emergency Management and Officer Pete Hollenczer for the Heroic Recovery Effort at the Riverside Industrial Complex after the Silo Collapse on January 8, 2015.

Fire Marshal Kevin Dippolito gave a brief presentation to the tragic event that occurred on January 8, 2015 and to the heroic actions of Bristol Township's fire companies, rescue squads, fire police, emergency management team and police officer who went above and beyond the call of duty during the 86 hour recovery effort.

Edgely Fire Company Chief, Carl Pierce thanked the families of all involved as well as the Bristol Township businesses that aided in the effort.

- B. Presentation from the Bucks Count Redevelopment Authority regarding the Bristol Pike Revitalization Area. Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Executive Director for the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Bucks (RDA), Robert White, presented to Council the RDA's plan to revitalize U.S. Route 13 north and south of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Bridge, more commonly known as Bristol Pike. The redevelopment area plan builds off the goals and recommendations outlined in the Township's comprehensive plan. The plan is intended to help repair, restore and revitalize the community and the local economy as well as provide family sustaining jobs, increased tax revenues for essential local services and quality education resulting in an approved quality of life for the entire community.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Ms. Longhitano to approve a Resolution authorizing the acceptance of the Redevelopment Area Plan for the Bristol Pike Revitalization Area.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

- C. Report on Compliance with Consent Decree and Progress in Operation of Wastewater Treatment Plant and Collection System.

Township Manager McCauley, introduced the Township's team working on bringing our Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) and Collection System into compliance. Mark Stevens, Environmental attorney for the Township; Vanessa Nedrick, of Remington, Vernick & Beach,

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engineer for our collections system; and Wayne Simpson, of the Alaimo Group, the engineer for the plant and plant operators. Also in attendance is Matt Brozena and Tom Czop from M&B who operate the WWTP.

Township Manager McCauley gave some background on the Wastewater Treatment Plant for those not familiar with the history. The former administration spent \$11 million on a sewer plant, yet they still could not gain compliance with environmental regulations. The plant payroll was padded with unqualified family and friends of Bristol Township politicians who did not hold Treatment Plant Operator licenses. As a result of this mismanagement the WWTP has remained under a Consent Decree by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Mark Stevens stated that the technical reasons for the consent decree were because the WWTP was not complying with the Clean Streams Law, NPDES Permit violations, sanitary sewage overflows, failure to maintain publicly owned treatment works (POTW) and that new treatment units would need to be implemented in order to accomplish NPDES Permit compliance.

There have been seven years of interim measures and \$13.1 million has been spent to date to improve the WWTP and collection system. Mr. Stevens stated that it appears that the Township is at the final steps to compliance, which is currently under negotiations with the EPA.

Vanessa Nedrick provided Council with an overview to events occurring after January 18, 2011 when the Consent Order was signed and in early 2011 the plant modernization began. In 2012 Council appointed Remington, Vernick & Beach as Sewer Engineers and shortly after that Alaimo was hired for plant evaluation. M&B Environmental was also brought on in late 2012 as the Plant Operator.

In 2013 Supervisory Control Access Data System (SCADA) installations were completed in the remaining 14 pump stations which allowed the Township to monitor the operations of all pump stations from one centralized computer.

Wayne Simpson concluded by reflecting on the improvements at the WWTP since 2011. The violations continue to decrease. In 2011 the Township had 49 violations to a total of five (5) violations at the end of 2014. In fact from July of 2014 until November of 2014 there were no violations reported. The PA DEP lifted the ban on new sewer connections that was an impediment to development. The Township secured additional capacity of 100 EDU's as a result of the I & I maintenance work that was completed on the Township's wastewater collection system in 2013, which will help pave the way for even more development and growth in Bristol Township!

Mr. McCauley clarified that the Township is seeking rerating of the WWTP which will enable the Township to receive additional capacity and that is based on the improvements by the team led by M&B, Alaimo, and Remington, Vernick & Beach.

Finally the goals are to have the sewer plant rerated to provide additional capacity, operate the plant with no violations and seek an end to the Consent Order which will enable the Township to run the WWTP without the EPA looking over our shoulders.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

- A. An Ordinance Amending Schedule XVIII (Section 191-82) of Chapter 191, Vehicles and Traffic to Establish and Enforce Two (2) Hour Parking Time Limits for Vehicles Parked on the East Side of Route 13 from Newportville to the Northern Septa Train Station Entrance and Establishing the Effective Date Thereof: Consideration to Adopt.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Ms. Longhitano to approve an Ordinance Amending Schedule XVIII (Section 191-82) of Chapter 191, Vehicles and Traffic to Establish and Enforce Two (2) Hour Parking Time Limits for Vehicles Parked on the East Side of Route 13 from Newportville to the Northern Septa Train Station Entrance.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

- B. An Ordinance Requiring all Persons, Partnerships, Businesses and Corporations to Obtain a Permit for any Construction or Development; Providing for the Issuance of such Permits; Setting Forth Certain minimum Requirements for New Construction and Development within Areas of Bristol Township which are Subject to Flooding; and Establishing Penalties for any Persons who Fail or Refuse to Comply with the Requirements or Provisions of this Ordinance: Consideration to Adopt.

Township Engineer, Kurt Schroeder, explained that this is a federally mandated Ordinance by FEMA. Failure to adopt and enforce the Ordinance will result in residents not being able to receive FEMA flood insurance.

John Riotto, 2160 Maple Avenue, questioned how this will affect the construction of the new schools. Township Solicitor, Randy Flager stated that the schools would have to obtain the proper permits.

Motion by Mr. Bowen and seconded by Mr. Lewis to approve an Ordinance requiring all Persons, Partnerships, Businesses and Corporations to Obtain a Permit for any Construction or Development; Providing for the Issuance of such Permits; Setting Forth Certain minimum Requirements for New Construction and Development within Areas of Bristol Township which are Subject to Flooding; and Establishing Penalties for any Persons who Fail or Refuse to Comply with the Requirements or Provisions of this Ordinance.

Motion passed by a vote of 6-1. Vice President Brennan dissented.

REPORT FROM THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Township Manager McCauley congratulated Public Works for the excellent job they did in the aftermath of our most recent snow and ice storm.

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Mr. McCauley thanked the Civil Service Commission for achieving the Certified List for new Police Officers in the tight timetable set forth. McCauley stated he is hopeful to have two more officers sworn in at next month's Council meeting.

REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

Township Solicitor, Randall Flager, addressed the multiple complaints that have been received concerning the dangerous parking situation on Junewood Drive being caused by the construction of the Buchanan Elementary school.

Mr. Flager presented Council with a Resolution Approving the Establishment of Experimental Parking Regulations on the Westbound Side of Junewood Drive between Haines Road and Jolly Road for a Period of Ninety (90) Days. Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Motion by President Lewis and seconded by Mr. Monahan approving a Resolution for the Establishment of Experimental Parking Regulations on the Westbound Side of Junewood Drive between Haines Road and Jolly Road for a Period of Ninety (90) Days.

Motion carried unanimously 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Request from Thomas & Diane Schneider, 538 Swamp Road, Newtown, requesting a Waiver of the Land Development process in order to construct an addition on the property at 3100 Bath Road (TMP #5-024-065) in a C-Commercial Zoned District of Bristol Township: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Larry Young, of Tri State Engineers, presented his client's waivers and variance requests. In addition, the applicant agrees to comply with all items stipulated in the February 11, 2015 review letter from Gilmore & Associates.

Motion by President Lewis and seconded by Mr. Glasson to approve the request for Waiver of the Land Development process in order to construct an addition on the property at 3100 Bath Road (TMP #5-024-065) in a C-Commercial Zoned District of Bristol Township.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

The applicant agrees to comply with all the items stipulated in the October 29, 2014 review letter from Gilmore & Associates.

- B. Request from Lower Bucks Joint Municipal Authority requesting a Waiver of the Land Development process in order to construct an addition on the property at 7811 New Falls Road (TMP #5-035-012) in an MS Municipal Services Zoned District of Bristol Township: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

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The applicant agrees to comply with all the items stipulated in the February 10, 2015 review letter from Gilmore & Associates.

Motion by Ms. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Monahan to approve the request for a Waiver of the Land Development process in order to construct an addition on the property at 7811 New Falls Road (TMP #5-035-012) in an MS Municipal Services Zoned District of Bristol Township.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-2. President Lewis and Mr. Glasson abstained.

C. 2015 Milling & Paving Project: Consideration to Accept Bid and Award Contract.

Mr. Schroeder is happy to report that the Township received excellent bids for the 2015 Milling & Paving Project and was, once again, able to obtain great contract pricing. Gilmore & Associates has determined James D. Morrissey, Inc., to be the lowest responsible bidder at \$4,596,335.55. It is their recommendation to accept this bid.

Motion by Mr. Monahan and seconded by Mr. Glasson to award the 2015 Milling & Paving Contract to the lowest responsible bidder James D. Morrissey, Inc. in the amount of \$4,596,335.55.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

D. Addendum to Operations and Maintenance Agreement of October 22, 2012 for Wastewater Treatment Facilities. Consideration to take Action.

McCauley explained that the Township has been using the services of M&B Environmental to oversee the Township's Pump Stations and this addendum would formalize the process to have two full-time employees to manage the day to day operations. This would aid the Township in its compliance with the EPA Consent Decree.

Motion by Ms. Longhitano and seconded by Vice President Brennan to approve the Addendum to Operations and Maintenance Agreement of October 22, 2012 for the Wastewater Treatment Facilities.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

F. Request for Release of Escrow for Taco Bell in the amount of \$310,263.25: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Motion by President Lewis and seconded by Vice President Brennan to Approve the Release of Escrow for Taco Bell in the amount of \$310,263.25.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

G. Request for Final Release of Escrow for WAWA, Inc, New Falls & Wistar Roads, in the amount of \$73,918.43.

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Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Ms. Longhitano to Approve Final Release of Escrow for WAWA, Inc, New Falls & Wistar Roads, in the amount of \$73,918.43.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Monahan thanked Fire Marshall Kevin Dippolito, Officer Hollenczer and the countless other volunteers for all that they do to keep the Township safe.

Mr. Bowen wished the Township's Chinese residents a Happy New Year.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Ellen Miller, 4612 Eugene Drive, presented an application to Township Manager McCauley for a new member to the EAC. On Wednesday March 25th the EAC will host a Compost Workshop.

Kenny Bruck, 59 Jonquil Lane, thanked Council for passing the Resolution for parking regulations on Junewood Drive. He also thanked Sgt. Charles Burns for his hard work in assisting to get this before Council. Mr. Bruck announced he will be running for the School Board.

Mr. McCauley thanked Sgt. Burns for his work in getting the Resolution accomplished.

Tom Barton, 58 Aster Lane, questioned what will happen once the construction fences and vehicles start at Mary Devine with the traffic and ball fields.

Derek de Beaumont, 520 Newport Road, requested Council's assistance in getting the noise barrier to be reconstructed at the Bristol Cemetery.

Wes Retzler, 504 Western Ave, spoke on various issues not pertaining to Bristol Township.

RECAP OF FEBRUARY 19, 2015 MEETING:

1. Motion to approve the Voucher List for February 19, 2015.
2. Motion to approve the Minutes from the January 15, 2015 meeting.
3. Approved a Resolution of Commendation for Dale Frazier.
4. Approved a Resolution of Commendation for Scott Swichar.
5. Approved a Resolution of Commendation for Joan Lamina.
6. Swearing in of Officers Patrick Kitchenmen and John Yeiter.
7. Presented Commendations to Volunteer Fire Companies, Rescue Squads, Fire Police, Emergency Management and Acting Sergeant Pete Hollenczer for the Heroic Recovery Effort at the Riverside Industrial Complex after the Silo Collapse on January 8, 2015.
8. Approved a Resolution for the Bucks County Redevelopment Authority regarding the Bristol Pike Revitalization Area.
9. Report on Compliance with Consent Decree and Progress in Operation of Wastewater Treatment Plant and Collection System.
10. Approved an Ordinance Establishing and Enforcing Two Hour Parking Limit for Vehicles Parked on the East Side of Route 13 from Newportville to the Northern Septa Train Station Entrance.
11. Approved an Ordinance requiring all Persons, Businesses and Corporations to Obtain a Permit for any Construction Development within areas of Bristol which are subject to Flooding.
12. Approved a Resolution for temporary (90 days) No Parking Signs on the Westbound side of Junewood Drive between Haines Road and Jolly Road.
13. Approved a Request for Waiver of the Land Development process in order to construct an addition on the property at 3100 Bath Road.
14. Approved a Request for Waiver of the Land Development process in order to construct an addition on the property at 7811 New Falls Road.
15. Accepted the 2015 Milling & Paving Bid from James D. Morrissey.
16. Accepted the Addendum to Operations and Maintenance Agreement of October 22, 2012 for Wastewater Treatment Facilities.
17. Approved the Final Request for Escrow Release for Taco Bell in the amount of \$310,263.25.
18. Approved the Final Request for Escrow Release for Wawa in the amount of \$73,918.43.
19. Adjournment at 10:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kate Murphy, Township Secretary