BRISTOL TOWNSHIP
2501 BATH ROAD
BRISTOL, PA 19007

June 26, 2018

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 Present
Mrs. Wagner Present

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

Township Solicitor Randall Flager announced potential litigation 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 26, 2018.

Motion by Mr. Monahan and seconded by Mr. Glasson to approve the outstanding voucher list and requisitions for June 26, 2018.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

B. Call for a motion to approve the minutes from the Council Meeting of May 17, 2018.

Motion by Vice President Murphy and seconded by Mrs. Wagner to approve the minutes from the May 17, 2018 Council Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS
A. Presentations and Monthly Awards for Exemplary Recycling Performance.

President Bowen presented $50 Gift Certificates to the Thigpen Family from Bloomsdale Section of Levittown and the Beck Family from Crabtree Section of Levittown for their exemplary recycling efforts.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. A Resolution Approving Ratification of Bucks County 2018 Municipal Waste Management Plan: Consideration to Adopt.

Mr. McCauley explained this is the Bucks County Municipal Waste Management Plan. This plan provides for disposal of solid waste, recycle materials and yard waste. There is essentially no change in the plan for Bristol Township and the plan is in order for Council to adopt as required by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

Motion by Mr. Antonello and seconded by Mr. Monahan Approving the Resolution.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

B. A Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Grant Application for Total Traffic Replacement at Hood Boulevard and Queen Anne Drive to PennDOT for the Automated Red-Light Traffic Enforcement (ARLE) Program: Consideration to Adopt.

Ms. Elton explained this grant is funded by the Red-Light Traffic Enforcement Program but we are not installing red light cameras in the Township. Ms. Elton advised the Township is applying for the total traffic replacement at Hood Boulevard and Queen Anne Drive including mast arms, signals heads, battery backups, emergency preemptions and video detections.

Motion by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Vice President Murphy Approving the Resolution.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

C. A Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Grant Application for Route 413 Traffic Signal Improvements to PennDOT for the Automated Red-Light Enforcement (ARLE) Program: Consideration to Adopt.

Ms. Elton explained this grant is for several intersections at Rt. 413 to add battery backups, video detections and hand man signals.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Mr. Antonello Approving the Resolution.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

D. A Resolution for Official Sewage Facilities Plan Revisions for Six-Lot Subdivision/Land Development at 2123 Pennsylvania Avenue: Consideration to Adopt.

Township Engineer Schroder explained this is the formality for the developer to obtain sewer connections for the approved land development.
Motion by Mr. Monahan and seconded by Mr. Glasson Approving the Resolution.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

E. A Resolution Authorizing a Reserved Handicap Parking Space at 2417 Liberator Street: Consideration to Adopt.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Mr. Antonello Approving the Resolution.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

F. A Resolution Authorizing a Reserved Handicap Parking Space at 2417 Liberator Street: Consideration to Adopt.

Ms. Elton proposed ten properties for blight recommendation. Citations have been issued for several properties without response; properties have been vacant for several years; several properties have been boarded up by the Township after squatters were removed; many are delinquent in taxes for several years; many properties have junk and trash and debris scattered throughout the property; and the Township is cutting the grass for many of these properties.

G. A Resolution Declaring 610 Magnolia Avenue Tax Map 05-008-185, as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

H. A Resolution Declaring 125 Walnut Avenue Tax Map 05-008-090, as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

I. A Resolution Declaring 126 Hillcrest Avenue Tax Map 05-008-075, as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

J. A Resolution Declaring 304 Newport Road Tax Map 05-058-077, as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

K. A Resolution Declaring 904 Fourth Avenue Tax Map 05-011-024, as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

L. A Resolution Declaring 1202 Karen Avenue Tax Map 05-008-537, as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

M. A Resolution Declaring 1253 Marie Lowe Drive Tax Map 05-061-478, as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

N. A Resolution Declaring 2418 Fleetwing Drive Tax Map 05-040-124, as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

O. A Resolution Declaring 4625 Forest Street Tax Map 05-028-559, as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

Motion by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Antonello Approving all ten properties as Blighted in accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law.
Mr. Wes Rexler, 504 Western Avenue, Bristol advised one parcel for Forest Ave or Fleetwing Drive is incorrect. Mr. Flager advised 05-040-124 is the corrected tax parcel number for 2418 Fleetwing Drive.

*Mrs. Wagner made the motion with the corrected tax parcel information and seconded by Mr. Antonello.*

Larry Mescia recommended we place this information on the website to educate people.

*Motion carried unanimously by vote of 7-0.*

**REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP MANAGER**
Mr. McCauley took a moment to acknowledge the passing of our Deputy Township Solicitor, Ed Zanine and present his nametag to Mr. Flager. Mr. McCauley advised that we honored Ed for his service to the Township, flying our Flags at the Township at half mass. Ed’s family are shown with a picture in front of the flags. Mr. Zanine will be a difficult team member to replace.

Mr. McCauley asked Council to authorize two grant application submissions to the Bucks County Redevelopment Authority (RDA) for bullet prove vest for our K9 and replacement of shot guns. Senator Tomlinson contacted the Township and has graciously agreed to champion this request. The vests are approximately $4,000 and the shot guns are approximately $20,000-$25,000 range.

Motion by Mr. Antonello and seconded by Mr. Blalock Approving the grant applications. Motion carried unanimously by vote of 7-0.

Township Engineer Schroeder gave an update on the 2018 Paving Program. 68% of the road have been resurfaced, with 121+ miles being updated since 2012, with five roads completed this year.

Township Engineer Schroeder gave an update on the Section Signs. 72 of the 100 Section Signs are installed, with ten more added to the order. We are still looking for public comment on signs if any are missing or named incorrectly.

Mr. Antonello advised a sign is missing from Magnolia Hill and a sign at Magnolia Drive and Levittown Parkway was relocated and should be placed back where it was originally. Mr. Schroeder advised all signs were placed back exactly where they were.

**REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR**
Mr. Flager wanted to thank the Township Council, Manager and staff for the tremendous respect and gesture shown to Ed Zanine’s family during his untimely passing.

Michael Levine, who had left the firm many years ago, is now back with the firm and will be assisting with Bristol Township business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A. Wright Partners, LLC, 3024 New Rodgers Road (Tax Parcel #5-24-24 and #5-24-25) requesting a Continuation of the advertised Applications for Conditional Use approval at the SE Corner of Veterans Highway and Ford Road in an R-3 Residential and M-1 Light Manufacturing with TC Overlay zoned district:
Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Mr. Flager advised that we received a letter from the applicant’s attorney asking for the application to be postponed to the July 19th meeting and has waived the appropriate time line extensions.

*Motion by Mr. Antonello and seconded by Mr. Glasson to Accept the extension request for the Conditional Use Application of Wright Partners, LLC (Tax Parcel #5-24-24 and #5-24-25).*

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.*


Mr. McCauley advised Northampton Township accepted the bids on behalf of the Bucks County Consortium. The recommendation by our Acting Public Works Director is recommending the Bucks County Consortium Bid be awarded to Garden State Highway Products for all sign and posts needs for the 2018-2019 year.

*Motion by Mr. Monahan and seconded by Mrs. Wagner to Award Garden State Highway Products the 2018-2019 Sign and Post Materials Bid.*

Mr. Rexler asked what the bid amount was? Mr. McCauley advised $300,088.19.

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.*

**OTHER BUSINESSES**

Mr. McCauley is reminding Council that there is only one Council meeting in July and August.

**COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Mr. Bowen advised we have been receiving many complaints concerning fireworks and we are looking at our existing ordinances and enforcement actions.

Mrs. Murphy advised if you haven’t already liked the Bristol Township Parks and Recreation Facebook Page, please do so, they are doing a lot of great things during the summer. Mr. McCauley stated the summer camp program began this week and will be successful and he would like to thank the Recreation Director, Jessica Fox, for continuing to do a great job, and is why this year’s camp will be the most successful one to date.

Mr. Antonello stated Movie Nights are doing well and mentioned National Night Out which is in August, and will be publicized at the next Township meeting.

**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.

Kim Burns, 1561 Newport Road, spoke of violations received by the Building and Planning Department for her property.
Mrs. Wagner made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Monahan. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randee J. Elton
Township Secretary
1. Approved Voucher List and Requisitions from May 17, 2018.

2. Approved the April 19, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes.

3. Tabled proposed Ordinance Amending Section 106-2 of the Bristol Township Code of Ordinances to Replace the Bucks County Rescue Squad with the Levittown-Fairless Hills Rescue Squad for EMS District NO. 6 within the Township.


6. Heard a presentation by the Chair of the Environmental Advisory Committee.


15. Adopted Resolution (2018-48) for Preliminary & Final Subdivision 5800 Beaver Dam Road, Bristol.


17. Accepted the bid of Meco Constructors, Inc. for the Cedar Ave Park construction project in the amount of $794,600.00.

18. Accepted the bid of Eureka Stone Quarry Inc. for delivery of stone and paving materials for 2018-2019 year.