

# BRISTOL TOWNSHIP

2501 BATH ROAD  
BRISTOL, PA 19007

October 19, 2017

## COUNCIL MEETING

President Bowen called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

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

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

Township Deputy Solicitor, Edward Zanine announced that general personnel issues 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.

President Bowen stated Mr. Allen and Mrs. Wagner were called out of town for business and Mr. Monahan was home recuperating from a procedure.

### **VOUCHER LIST & MINUTES**

- A. Call for a motion to approve the outstanding Voucher List and Requisitions for October 19, 2017.

*Motion by Mr. Antonello and seconded by Mr. Glasson to approve the outstanding voucher list and requisitions for September 21, 2017.*

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4-0.*

- B. Call for a motion to approve the minutes from the Council Meeting on September 21, 2017.

Mr. Zanine requested that the September 21, 2017 minutes be amended to reflect that Mr. Flager and Mr. Swichar were not in attendance for the September 21, 2017 meeting as they were Former Chief McAndrew thanked Council and the police department for making his tenure at Bristol Township a wonderful experience.

observing the Jewish Holiday.

*Motion by Mr. Antonello and seconded by Vice President Murphy to approve the minutes of the Council Meeting on September 21, 2017 as amended.*

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4 – 0.*

### **PRESENTATIONS and APPOINTMENTS**

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

Deputy Manager, Scott Swichar announced that the Township's Annual Fall Clean-Up will be held on Saturday October 21, 2017 from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm. This event is rain or shine.

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

#### **B. Presentation of Bristol Township's Proposal to Amazon for its Second Corporate Headquarters.**

Township Engineer, Kurt Schroeder, announced that Bristol Township has submitted a proposal to Amazon in hopes of becoming the home to their second headquarters.

Bristol Township offers a 794-acre piece of riverfront property that would be ideal to be the home to a world-class campus for Amazon. The Township is 90 minutes from New York and three hours from Washington, not to mention 20 miles from Philadelphia. Potential employees go to school all-round the Township including Princeton University, University of Pennsylvania, and Drexel University. In 2016 Money Magazine ranked Bristol Township as the 41<sup>st</sup> Best Place to Live in the US.

The Maple Beach area of Bristol Township includes 794-acres of Delaware Riverfront, just north of the City of Philadelphia. Developed acreage is dedicated to an existing DOW Chemical manufacturing facility and 279 acres of woodlands, fields and an abandoned residential development constitute the undeveloped lands. Located at the base of the Burlington-Bristol Bridge, Maple Beach is immediately accessible to residents of the township, the adjacent Historic Bristol Borough, and those of Burlington, New Jersey. Visitors to Maple Beach travelling by car, from outside of Bristol, use the primary routes of PA Route 413, PA Route 13, Interstate Rout 95 (I-95) and the Pennsylvania Turnpike. Visitors travelling by train arrive at nearby Southeast Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA) stations or New Jersey's nearby Burlington Light Rail stations.

**PROCLAMATIONS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**A. A Resolution of Commendation Honoring James McAndrew for his Service to Bristol Township: Consideration to Adopt.**

Vice President Murphy read the Commendation into the record.

*Motion by Mr. Antonello and seconded by the entire Council Approving a Resolution of Commendation Honoring James McAndrew for his Service to Bristol.*

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4 – 0.*

Former Chief McAndrew thanked Council and the police department for making his tenure at Bristol Township a wonderful experience.

**B. A Resolution Approving a Master Casting Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and Authorizing the Township Manager to Sign the Agreement: Consideration to Adopt.**

*Motion by Vice President Murphy and seconded by Mr. Antonello Approving a Master Casting Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and Authorizing the Township Manager to Sign the Agreement.*

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4 – 0.*

**REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP MANAGER**

Township Manager McCauley, apologized to the residents of Lakeland Avenue and Beaver Dam Road area for the condition of their roads. The Township has been trying to pave these roads for several years and this was finally going to be the year they were resurfaced. However, PECO energy was working on replacing the gas mains and their project was delayed so much that the Township was, once again, unable to pave the roads. As a result, the Township will be paving these roads as early as possible in 2018.

On Tuesday, October 17th at 2:31pm EMS, fire and Police were dispatched for a motor vehicle accident with a patient in cardiac arrest on Bristol-Oxford Valley near Bristol-Emilie Rd. Township Fire Marshal Kevin Dippolito arrived one minute after the call and Engine 225 arrived approximately 30 seconds later with Jim Breslin, Fred Sponheimer, and Ethan Crivaro. Upon their arrival, a citizen was doing chest compressions at the direction of a 9-1-1 dispatcher. Our employees took over patient care, which included CPR and using our AED, which regained a heartbeat. Paramedics from Levittown-Fairless Hills and firefighters from Levittown Fire Co #2 arrived within two minutes and took over patient care. Paramedics provided advanced life support and transported the patient to Lower Bucks Hospital. The patient is a 71-year-old township resident and is expected to make a full recovery. Mr. McCauley praised the employees for their lifesaving actions.

**REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR**

No Formal Report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. McDonald’s Corporation, One McDonald’s Plaza, Oak Brook IL, requesting Preliminary & Final Land Development approval for the property located at 6606 New Falls Road, Levittown (Tax Parcel #5-34-121) proposing the addition of a second drive-thru order lane, the removal of a play place and upgrade of the existing parking lot in a C-Commercial zoned district: Consideration to Take Appropriate Action.**

Victor Grande, Bohler Engineering, on behalf of McDonald’s Corporation proposes to remodel an existing 4,190-square foot restaurant as part of a nation-wide modernization initiative. Proposed improvements include a reface of the exterior architectural facades and a partial interior refresh, update to the interior and exterior facilities to bring them into conformance with current American with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, and to update the drive-thru to a side-by side configuration.

*Motion by Vice President Murphy and seconded by Mr. Glasson Approving Preliminary & Final Land Development for the property located at 6606 New Falls Road, Levittown (Tax Parcel #5-34-121) proposing the addition of a second drive-thru order lane, the removal of a play place and the upgrade of the existing parking lot in a C-Commercial zoned district.*

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4-0.*

- B. Franklin Bioscience, LLC, 115 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, requesting Conditional Use approval for a medical marijuana dispensary at 2412-2414 Durham Road, Bristol (Tax Parcel # 5-16-98) in a C-Commercial zoned district: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.**

**PUBLIC HEARING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:43 PM**

Frank Dillion, Begley, Carlin & Mandio, LLP, presented the Bioscience, LLC application requesting conditional use approval for a medical marijuana dispensary located at 2412-2414 Durham Road, Bristol. Mr. Dillion presented testimony pertaining to the Conditional Use Application.

The transcript of the Conditional Use Hearing is available upon request.

*Motion by Vice President Murphy and seconded by Mr. Glasson to close the public hearing.*

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4-0.*

**THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED AT 8:01 PM.**

*Motion by Vice President Murphy and seconded by Mr. Glasson Approving the Conditional Use request for a medical marijuana dispensary at 2412-2414 Durham Road, Bristol (Tax Parcel # 5-16-98) in a C-Commercial zoned district.*

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4-0.*

**C. Bids for 2017-2018 Rock Salt: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.**

Mr. McCauley stated that it is the recommendation of the administration for Council to accept the lowest and most responsible bid of \$48.82 per ton delivered from Morton Salt, Inc for the 2017-2018 season. Mr. McCauley stated the cost is a step in the right direction whereas in 2016 the Township paid \$56.13 per ton delivered.

*Motion by Vice President Murphy and seconded by Mr. Glasson to Accept the low bid of \$48.82 per ton delivered from Morton Salt, Inc for the 2017-2018 Rock Salt Season.*

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4-0.*

**D. Bids for 2017 Liquid Fuels Curb Ramp Program: Consideration to Take Appropriate Action.**

Mr. Schroeder stated that it is the recommendation of Gilmore & Associates to award the 2017 Liquid Fuels Fall Curb Ramp Program to ABC Construction Co., Inc for a total contract amount of \$303,562.35.

Mr. Antonello asked if there was a scope of the work available.

Mr. McCauley stated the list and map of the locations of the curbs would be placed on the Township's website.

*Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Mr. Antonello to Award the 2017 Liquid Fuels Fall Curb Ramp Program to ABC Construction Co., Inc for a total contract amount of \$303,562.35.*

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4-0.*

**COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Vice President Murphy announced that the Lower Bucks Chamber of Commerce and Bucks Business will be hosting Leadership and Career Workshops for the area's high school sophomores and juniors at Bucks County Community College. For more information contact coned@bucks.edu.

Mr. Antonello informed residents of a new ordinance enacted by Falls Township to protect the privacy of their residents in response to the federal government allowing our personal data to become vulnerable through social media. Mr. Antonello requests that Council and the Township Solicitor review the current situation and decide if this would be a good idea for Bristol Township to follow.

President Bowen stated that Council would closely follow the Falls ordinance and subsequent lawsuits sure to be filed challenging its validity.

President Bowen announced that for the 2017-2018 snow season cars will be ticketed and towed if they are parked in the street during snow emergencies.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL**

Ken Smith, 1005 Grieb Ave, thanked TAG for their quick handling of graffiti reported and requested Council to address the heavy truck traffic on Radcliffe Street.

Connie Meyer, 2 Shadetree Lane, requested Council address the over-grown Greenbelt area from Forest Lane to South Lane on Farmbrook Drive.

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

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

*Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 4– 0.*

*The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.*

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Murphy  
Township Secretary

## RECAP OF THE OCTOBER 19, 2017 COUNCIL MEETING

1. Approved the outstanding Voucher List and Requisitions from October 19, 2017.
2. Approved the September 21, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes as Amended.
3. Presented Monthly Awards for Exemplary Recycling Performance.
4. Heard a Presentation Regarding Bristol Township's Proposal to Amazon for its Second Corporate Headquarters.
5. Approved Resolution 2017-73 Honoring James McAndrew for his Service to Bristol Township.
6. Approved Resolution 2017-74 Approving a Master Casting Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and Authorizing the Township Manager to Sign the Agreement.
7. Adopted Resolution 2017-75 Approving Preliminary & Final Land Development for McDonald's Corporation, One McDonald's Plaza, Oak Brook, IL, located at 6606 New Falls Road, Levittown (Tax Parcel #5-34-121) proposing the addition of a second drive-thru order lane, the removal of a play palace and the upgrade of the existing parking lot in a C-Commercial zoned district.
8. Approved the Conditional Use Application of Franklin Bioscience LLC, 115 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, for a Medical Marijuana Dispensary at 2412-2414 Durham Road, Bristol (Tax Parcel #5-16-98) in a C-Commercial zoned district.
9. Accepted the Low Bid of Morton Salt, Inc at \$48.82 per ton delivered or the 2017-2018 Rock Salt Bid.
10. Accepted the Low Bid of ABC Construction Co., Inc for 2017 Fall Curb Ramp Program in the Amount of \$303,562.35.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.