

Public Meeting  
April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Meeting was opened by Theresa Branella at 6:00pm. Those present were J. Meehan, M. Mevoli, P. MacAdams, and G. Gilbert. J. Granstrom and J. McCleary was absent. The Solicitor was Timothy Higgins, Esq..

This Meeting was advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and complies with all the laws therein.

**Reading and Approval of Minutes of March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015:**

Motion – G. Gilbert  
2<sup>nd</sup> – P. MacAdams  
All in favor: Carried.

**Committee Reports:**

Motion – P. MacAdams  
2<sup>nd</sup> – G. Gilbert  
All in Favor: Carried.

**Old Business:**

Ordinance:

# 4-15 COLA Ordinance  
# 5-15 Amending Chapter 102: Jewelry, Gems, and Precious Metals  
Second Reading  
Public Hearing – Nothing Noted from the Public.  
Motion – J. Meehan  
2<sup>nd</sup> – G. Gilbert  
All in Favor: Carried.

Budget:

Resolution # 75A-15 Authorize Self Examination for 2015 Budget

Motion – J. Meehan  
2<sup>nd</sup> – P. MacAdams  
All in Favor: Carried.

Resolution # 75-15 Read 2015 Budget by Title Only

Motion – G. Gilbert  
2<sup>nd</sup> – M. Mevoli  
All in Favor: Carried.

Public Hearing on 2015 Budget

No questions or comments from the public.

Adoption of 2015 Budget

Motion – J. Meehan  
2<sup>nd</sup> – G. Gilbert  
All in Favor: Carried.

**New Business:**

**Ordinance:**

# 6-15 Amending Chapter 39: Police Department

# 7-15 Capital Ordinance – \$123,000

First Reading

Motion – M. Mevoli

2<sup>nd</sup> – P. MacAdams

All in Favor: Carried.

**Resolutions:**

# 76-15 Authorizing the Submission of the Application for Pedestrian Path

# 77-15 Authorize Change Order No. 1 for Reconstruction of Community Road Project

# 78-15 Authorize Borough Home 2015-2016 Rental Increase

# 79-15 Approval of Borough Home Credit for Heater Contracts

# 80-15 Appointment of Towing Service to Poleese Towing and Beaverbrook Motors

# 81-15 Authorizing the Submission of the Application for 2015 Recreational Trails Grant

Motion – M. Mevoli

2<sup>nd</sup> – J. Meehan

All in Favor: Carried.

Resolution # 82-15 Authorize Submission of Application to Local Finance Board

Motion – G. Gilbert

2<sup>nd</sup> – M. Mevoli

All in Favor: Carried.

**Engineers Report from Greg Fusco, Kei Engineering:**

Item #2: We have submitted for CDBG Year 37 funding. The money has been allocated for fixing homes purchased through the HOME Fund program.

Item #3: We were awarded \$200,000 from Camden County Improvement Authority to purchase three homes in the borough. We are looking at homes and hope to have at least one house by next meeting.

Item #5: Round 15 of Camden County Open Space awarded Brooklawn \$25,000. The money is to be used to start a pedestrian trail along the waterfront.

Item #7, 8, & 9: No update on these items.

Item #10: The fieldwork on the USDA project is still ongoing. The clerk informed us that the capital will be secured by July.

Item #14: Brooklawn diner has submitted their developer escrow and finishing up their site plan work. Hoping to open late June.

**Approval of payment of bills: \$ 499,661.65**

Motion – J. Meehan

2<sup>nd</sup> – P. MacAdams  
All in favor: Carried.

**Open to the Public:**

Erica Hahn, 116 Pennsylvania, expressed serious concern about her neighbor at 118 Pennsylvania Road. The neighbor has broken windows, falling gutters, and a fallen tree in the backyard. She feels it is unfair to live next to someone who doesn't keep up the property to at least presentable levels. She also said that she has seen her dump water or waste on the side of her house. Mayor asked the clerk to re-engage with the county board of health and to get our code enforcer on this property.

**Open to Council:**

G. Gilbert said that at a committee meeting, they decided to raise the rents for the borough homes as you saw on the resolution tonight. They talked about a hedgerow instead of a fence on the playground at the waterfront. The mayor liked that idea and asked for them to look into it further. He also expressed that we need to put more money into code enforcement.

M. Mevoli gave a report on the Easter Egg hunt. He also thanked everyone for their help. He explained that they are looking to put a speed control sensor on Paris to gauge the speeding. It will also help us determine our next step to resolve recent issues along the road. He also asked the DPW to have the boat ramp cleaned on a bi weekly basis.

J. Meehan spoke about outside residents complaining about the parking lot at Brooklawn Shopping Center. There was a lengthy conversation about the state of the parking lot. Mayor wants the shopping center owners in front of the next Planning and Zoning meeting. Mayor also request and the zoning official be present along with our engineer. The Mayor asked the clerk to let the Planning and Zoning secretary know of the developments.

Mayor Branella said the Easter Egg hunt and the 5K race were a big success. She also thanked the girls softball team that planted flowers at the 9/11 memorial.

**Motion to Adjourn – J. Meehan**

2<sup>nd</sup> – G. Gilbert  
All in favor: Adjourned.

Ryan Giles  
Borough Clerk