# BOROUGH OF WEST CONSHOHOCKEN COUNCIL MEETING February 14, 2023 7:00 PM

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Open Public Meeting Agenda/Sunshine Act" public notice was provided to the Times Herald Newspaper and posted on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall as required by law.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Stephen Blumenthal, Council President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## OPENING COMMENTS/ANNOUCEMENTS FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mr. Blumenthal indicated that there will be an executive session and Council will not return.

#### ROLL CALL

Stephen Blumenthal, President	Present
Tara Gorney, Vice President	Present
Tori Conicello-Emery	Present
Jeff Ewing	Present
Kelly Snizavich	Present
Danelle Fournier, Mayor	Present
Zachary Nelson	Present
Amelia Gale	Present
Michael F. English, Borough Manager	Present
John Iannozzi, Borough Solicitor	Present
Khal Hassan, Borough Engineer	Present

#### APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Stephen Blumenthal asked for a motion to approve the Agenda

Motioned by: Tori Conicello-Emery

Seconded by Tara Gorney

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes:7-0

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE AGENDA

Walter Gleba, resident, commented on the Consent Agenda but two Police Department reports. Parking and Traffic citations have increased in the last two months. Mr. Iannozzi directed council not to answer due to speculation and respectfully indicated that it is irrelevant.

## CONDITIONAL USE HEARING INNOVATIONS 411, DISCOVERY LABS

Solicitor John Iannozzi closed the public meeting and opened to a public hearing in which a court reporter was present for a Conditional Use Hearing for Innovation 411, Discovery Labs.

#### APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Mr. Blumenthal indicated that the bills for this month were a total of \$348,054.41 and asked for a motion to approve the bills.

Motioned by: Zachary Nelson Seconded by: Jeff Ewing

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes: 7-0

## APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Blumenthal indicated that the grand total is \$14,615,881.95 with a difference of \$79,332.06 interest on all investment accounts of \$28,775.13 and pension accounts \$9,884,969.50. Mr. Blumenthal and asked for a motion to approve the financial report.

Motioned by: Tara Gorney Seconded by: Amelia Gale

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes: 7-0

## APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Blumenthal asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda and reports.

Motioned by: Tori Conicello-Emery Seconded by: Kelly Snizavich

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes: 7-0

#### PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

- A. Mr. English indicated that his report is in the packet. Mr. English highlighted the proposed job announcement and advertisement for the part-time assistant manager position which is in the drop box. Mr. English also discussed George Clay member list who achieve 50 or more points in the calendar year, which have been signed and notarized and will be sent to Glatfelter Specialty Benefits. No questions were presented.
- B. John Iannozzi, Esq had nothing to report. No questions were presented
- C. Mr. Khal Hassan indicated a copy of his report is in the packet. Pennoni is working with CDBG grant application, and a meeting will be attended by Mr. English. Mr English will come back to council with a report on the meeting A review is being conducted for the traffic study which was received for Discovery Labs. Mr. Hassan will discuss the brake retarder under new business. No questions were presented

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Motion to adopt Resolution 2023-04 Authorizing the approval of the operation support activities for the participating members of the Fire Company.

Mr. English indicated that this Resolution which defines members of the fire department and members that provide operation support activities to be passed to the Boroughs Workers Compensation.

Motioned by: Tori Conicello-Emery

Seconded by: Zachary Nelson

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes: 7-0

2. Motion to authorize the Borough Administration to advertise an Ordinance regarding engine suppression and brake retarder use in the Borough.

Mr. Hassan indicates that residents had concerns about brake retardants use along Front Street. PennDOT completed the study and on January 5<sup>th</sup> found that such restriction is warranted. The ordinance before you is to be advertised and action will be taken at the next meeting. If approved, Borough will be advertised and brough before council at the next meeting.

Guy Davis, resident, asked if this could be expanded on Route 23 and Mr. Hassan responded.

Motioned by: Jeff Ewing Seconded by: Amelia Gale

All in favor: Yes
The motion passes:7-0

#### GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Walter Gleba, resident, had questions regarding the financial report. Mr. English will review with bookkeeper and get back to him.

Jerry Slater, resident, asked about the MacKenzie park plans and advised the resident that the next Open Space committee meeting will be on February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm. Mr. Hassan also addressed Mr. Slater about the parking concerns on Merion Ave. Mr. Slater also asked about speed limit signs to be 15mph around MacKenzie Park. Mr. Hassan indicated they will investigate it.

Dave Frankenfield, resident, indicated that the Fire Company is celebrating its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the Borough celebrating 150 years in 2024.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

An executive session will take place and Council will not return

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Stephen Blumenthal asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 pm

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Motioned by: Tara Gorney Seconded by: Kelly Snizavich

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes:7-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Cristina Meade Borough Secretary