

BOROUGH OF WEST CONSHOHOCKEN
COUNCIL MEETING
August 8, 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/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mr. Blumenthal indicated that an executive session took place on July 17, 2023 in regards to a personnel matter which will be discussed this evening regarding the DCED study on George Clay Fire Department. The report will be available on the Borough website and copies provided on a motion. Mr. Blumenthal indicated that the proceeds of the 5K run will be given to the Home Towners. Council will go into Executive Session at the end of the Council Meeting this evening

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Stephen Blumenthal asked for a motion to approve the amended Agenda.

Motioned by: Amelia Gale
Seconded by: Tara Gorney
Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
The motion passes

PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE AGENDA ITEMS

None

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Mr. Blumenthal indicated that the bills for this month were a total of \$394,983.86 and asked for a motion to approve the bills. No questions were presented

Motioned by: Tara Gorney

Seconded by: Jeff Ewing

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

The motion passes

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Blumenthal indicated that the grand total is \$15,363,612.65 with a difference of \$377,617.73; interest on all investment accounts of \$11,332.79. Pension accounts totaled \$10,240,260.06; Non-uniform pension account \$1,217,855.37 and police pension account \$9,022,360.69. Pension accounts are not included in the total. Mr. Blumenthal and asked for a motion to approve the financial report.

Motioned by: Zachary Nelson

Seconded by: Amelia Gale

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

The motion passes

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Blumenthal asked for a motion to approve the amended consent agenda items.

Motioned by: Tori Conicello-Emery

Seconded by: Tara Gorney

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

The motion passes

PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

- A. Mr. English indicated his report is in the packet. Mr. English wanted to highlight the turnout of National Night Out and wanted to thank everyone involved. The Elizabeth Street inlet has been resolved and Khal Hassan will discuss in his report. No questions were presented
- B. John Iannozzi had nothing to report.
- C. Mr. Khal Hassan indicated a copy of his report is in the packet. Mr. Hassan wanted to highlight a few things. The MacKenzie Park bid packet is out for review and waiting for review from DCED. The Elizabeth Street repair has been completed and working on the Police Department for repairs. No questions were presented.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution No. 2023-13 appointing _____ to the West Conshohocken Zoning Hearing Board.

Mr. Blumenthal advised that Mr. Kleinschmidt resigned from Zoning Hearing Board to be on the Civil Service. Advertisements were posted twice in which the Borough has only received one applicant has applied. Mr. John O'Brien was present and introduced himself. Council member Conicello-Emery and Council Vice President asked his experience and skill set.

Mr. Blumenthal asked for a motion to open nominations to which Zachary Nelson made a motion and it was seconded by Amelia Gale. The motion passes 6-0. Mr. Blumenthal asked for a motion to nominate to which Councilmember Conicello-Emery nominated John O'Brien. A second was not needed. Mr. Blumenthal asked for a motion to close nominations which Jeff Ewing motioned and seconded by Zachary Nelson.

Mr. Blumenthal asked for a motion to appoint John O'Brien to the Zoning Board.

Motioned by: Amelia Gale
Seconded by: Tara Gorney
Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
The motion passes

2. Updated on Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Report.

Mr. Blumenthal indicated that an evaluation took place of the George Clay Fire Company. Mr. Blumenthal indicated that the only action would be of his suggestion of posting the DCED Report and providing copies and email within 48 hours. No questions were presented.

Motioned by: Amelia Gale
Seconded by: Tara Gorney
Ayes: 6
Nays: 0
The motion passes

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Guy Davis, resident, discussed training for the new zoning hearing board member.

Walter Gleba, resident, wanted to reiterate his concerns for a stop sign request at Spruce and Merion Hill Lane. Mr. Gleba discussed safety and the increasing crime. Mr. Blumenthal wanted to address Mr. Gleba's concerns and advise that the Borough is in the process of hiring officers and Zachary Nelson also spoke due to being a victim of the break-ins the past week at the Ford Street Parking Lot.

Mr. Blumenthal wanted to thank everyone for Community Day. Mr. Blumenthal indicated that Council will adjourn into executive session regarding personnel matter and will not be returning, as no action will be taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Stephen Blumenthal asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:37pm

Motioned by: Tori Conicello-Emery

Seconded by: Tara Gorney

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

The motion passes

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cristina Meade".

Cristina Meade
Borough Secretary