

BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, May 4, 2022

PUBLIC MEETING

PRESENT: Colleen Leonard, Council President  
Tina Sokolowski, Council Vice-President  
Anita Barton, Council Member  
Kathleen Kingsley, Council Member  
Adrian Serna, Council Member  
Karen Tutino, Council Member  
Yaniv Aronson, Mayor

ALSO PRESENT: Stephanie Cecco, Borough Manager  
Michael E. Peters, Borough Solicitor

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Public Meeting of the Conshohocken Borough Council duly advertised, was held at the Conshohocken Borough Hall, 400 Fayette Street, Conshohocken, PA. Ms. Leonard, Council President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no Council President announcements.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**a.) Recognition of Mayor Aronson and the Borough of Conshohocken, Recipient of the 2022 Governor's Awards for Local Government Excellence, Representative Mary Jo Daley**

Representative Mary Jo Daley recognized Mayor Aronson and the Borough of Conshohocken for receiving the 2022 Governor's Awards for Local Government Excellence for their work building community partnerships.

**b.) Proclamation 2022-02 recognizing National Public Works Week**

Council Member Serna read a proclamation recognizing National Public Works Week.

**Ms. Kingsley made a motion to approve Proclamation 2022-02 recognizing National Public Works Week, seconded by Ms. Sokolowski. The motion carried 6-0. (Ellam absent)**

**c.) Narberth Ambulance Presentation, Chief Christopher Flanagan**

Christopher Flanagan, Chief at Narberth Ambulance, provided an overview of services provided to the Borough. Pat Glynn, Deputy Chief at Narberth Ambulance, demonstrated advanced and basic life support medications, procedures and equipment that are available to Conshohocken residents. Chief Flanagan discussed Narberth's community engagement activities. He also discussed continued collaboration with the Borough on grant opportunities and plans for the anticipated population increase and its demands on EMS operation.

**LAND USE MATTERS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES**

There were no land use matters, public hearings and ordinances.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**a.) Conduct an interview for the Zoning Hearing Board Alternate position**

Ms. Leonard shared that the applicant decided to withdraw her application.

**MANAGER MATTERS**

**a.) Consider authorizing bid documents for the CDBG curb ramp project**

Ms. Cecco provided an overview of the 2020 Conshohocken Curb Ramp Project. She stated that the project includes the replacement of ADA curb ramps at Angel Alley and Poplar Street, Wells Street between East Seventh and East Eighth Avenues, Wells Street between East Sixth and East Seventh Avenues, Jones Street between East Eighth and East Ninth Avenues, and Jones Street between East Tenth and East Eleventh Avenues. Ms. Cecco explained that since the estimated construction costs exceed funding available in the 2020 CDBG contract, the Borough will be requesting to transfer funds from the housing rehabilitation activity to the curb ramp installation.

She asked Council to consider authorizing the bidding of the project.

Ms. Leonard called for public comment on the agenda item. There was no public comment.

**Ms. Barton made a motion to authorize bidding of the 2020 Conshohocken CDBG Curb Ramp Project, seconded by Mr. Serna. The motion carried 6-0. (Ellam absent)**

**b.) Consider approving Resolution 2022-15 authorizing the submission of a Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program Application for the Sutcliffe Park Walking Trail Replacement Project**

Ms. Cecco stated that the Borough identified another potential source of funding through the Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program (GTRP) for the replacement of the walking trail at Sutcliffe Park. She explained that the Borough has already submitted a grant application to DCNR for the same project. She reviewed the application and grant matching requirements. Ms. Cecco confirmed that the Borough has matching funds available for both applications if awarded.

Ms. Leonard called for public comment on the agenda item. There was no public comment.

**Mr. Serna made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-15 authorizing the submission of a Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program Application for the Sutcliffe Park Walking Trail Replacement Project, seconded by Ms. Kingsley. The motion carried 6-0. (Ellam absent)**

**DEPARTMENT MATTERS**

There were no department matters.

**LEGAL MATTERS**

**a.) Consider the Borough's position on the Zoning Hearing Board application filed by Millennium Waterfront Associates II LP, and, as necessary, authorize the Borough Solicitor's office to attend the Zoning Hearing Board hearing**

Mr. Peters stated that the Borough received a zoning application filed by Millennium Waterfront Associates II LP to permit the development of a 79-unit residential building on Washington Street between 20 Ash Street and 225 Washington Street. He added that the applicant is also seeking an appeal of zoning decision related to the rejection of a land development application. Mr. Peters recommended that Council consider authorizing the Borough Solicitor's office to attend the Zoning Hearing Board hearing to defend the appeal for the application filed by Millennium Waterfront Associates II LP and to oppose the variance request.

Ms. Leonard called for public comment on the agenda item. There was no public comment.

**Ms. Sokolowski made a motion to authorize the Borough Solicitor's office to attend the Zoning Hearing Board hearing for the application filed by Millennium Waterfront Associates II LP for the purposes of (1) defending the appeal and (2) opposing the variance request, seconded by Mr. Serna. The motion carried 6-0. (Ellam absent)**

**COUNCIL MEMBER AND MAYOR MATTERS**

Mayor Aronson thanked everyone who attended the Friends of Conshohocken Parks Give Back Night at the Conshohocken Brewing Company. He shared highlights from the Spring Cleanup Event hosted by the Conshohocken EAC. He also shared that the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office held a K9 demonstration at Fritz Lodge.

Ms. Sokolowski thanked everyone who attended the Public Forum on the Main Street Overlay Ordinance. She announced that the Borough would be hosting an informational meeting for members of the Dog Park to discuss the status of the park on May 9, 2022 at 6:00pm at Borough Hall.

Superintendent Metz recognized the Fire Police officers for the volunteer services that they provide to the Borough.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Stephanie Cecco,  
Borough Secretary