

**BRISTOL TOWNSHIP
2501 BATH ROAD
BRISTOL, PA 19007**

May 19, 2011

COUNCIL MEETING

President Pluta called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

Roll Call:	Councilman Tucker	Present
	Councilman Lewis	Present
	Councilman Blalock	Present
	Vice President Tarlini	Present
	President Pluta	Present

EXECUTIVE REPORT:

Mayor Monahan presented plaques of recognition to two members of the Order of Cooties. The first plaque was presented to Mr. Jackie Sampson, Grand Commander of the Pennsylvania Military Order of Cooties. The second plaque was presented to Janet Bozeman, Grand President of Pennsylvania Auxiliary for Military Order of Cooties, for the volunteer services provided to help all the Veterans.

Motion by Councilman Tucker to approve the outstanding voucher list and requisitions for April 2011. Second by Councilman Lewis.

Mr. Obert of Farmbrook stated the voucher list was not online this month. He questioned the purchase of typewriter ribbons and cleaning materials. He questioned why Lower Bucks Authority was being paid early. Vice President Tarlini stated that there will not be a meeting again until after the due date.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	Councilman Lewis	Yes
	Councilman Blalock	Yes
	Vice President Tarlini	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

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Motion by Councilman Lewis to amend the agenda to move the presentation for Single Stream recycling up on the agenda. Second by Councilman Tucker.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	Councilman Lewis	Yes
	Councilman Blalock	Yes
	Vice President Tarlini	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

Mr. Sacco stated that Council has a copy of the contract with Waste Management for Single Stream Recycling. An agreement has been finalized with Waste Management and Republic. If Council approves the contract Single Stream Recycling will begin June 1, 2011. The Township would receive approximately \$45.00 per ton. Mr. Chuck Raudenbush of Waste Management showed a U Tube Video on Single Stream Recycling showing how everything separated at the facility.

Ken Anderson from Republic Services stated that that his company will not receive any revenue from the recycling.

Motion by President Pluta to approve the Agreement for the Purchasing, Processing and Marketing of Recyclable Materials Collected in Bristol Township. Second by Councilman Lewis.

Mr. Obert stated that it was reported last year that the revenue for recycling was \$5,000.00 and in 2009 it was \$85,000.00, he hopes that the Township will be making money from the Single Stream. Mr. Obert feels the Township should purchase new single stream cans for the residents.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	Councilman Lewis	Yes
	Councilman Blalock	Yes
	Vice President Tarlini	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

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REPORT FROM MANAGING DIRECTOR:

Mr. Bartlett requested Council to authorize him to enter into an agreement for Energy Rates with Ronald Smith of Suburban Lighting Consultants. They will shop around and negotiate rates and lock in a rate for the Township. The fee is limited to a maximum of \$1,000.00. Councilman Lewis stated he reviewed the previous Contract for the Sewer Department and appeared there was no expiration date and the only way it would expire was if the Sewer Plant was moved to another location, he feels the Township should look into changing the agreement for the Sewer Plant. Mr. Sacco stated that the agreement was done with the Sewer Authority back in 2000 and can be cancelled at any time. Mr. Bartlett stated that Mr. Smith is going to review all the Township's Electric Bills this includes Public Works, Sewer Plant Pumping Stations Senior Building and Coates Avenue.

Motion by Councilman Lewis to authorize the Manager to enter into an agreement for Energy Rates with Suburban Lighting Consultants, with the understanding that it includes the Sewer Plant. Second by Vice President Tarlini.

Mr. Obert questioned the difference in price per year as apposed to two years. Mr. Bartlett stated that there are no firm numbers and when they narrow it down to a few Companies then it will come to Council for approval.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	Councilman Lewis	Yes
	Councilman Blalock	Yes
	Vice President Tarlini	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

SUBDIVISION:

Robert Milner, P.O. Box 1086, Bristol PA, requesting Preliminary and Final Subdivision approval for property located at 1747 Ritter Avenue, Bristol (Tax Parcel 05-024-098)

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Mr. Stan Kelton, Attorney for Mr. Milner and Mr. Jeff Skinner, Engineer gave a presentation showing the properties in question and the proposed home. They are requesting waiver of curbs and sidewalks and the fee for in lieu of. Mr. Lawson stated it was brought to his attention that there is a 48 inch pipe that runs through a section of the property. Mr. Skinner stated that he believes that it runs through the adjoining property. Mr. Sacco stated that we should identify where the line is and have an easement prepared.

Motion by Councilman Tucker to table Preliminary and Final Subdivision approval for property located at 1747 Ritter Avenue, Bristol (Tax Parcel 05-014-133). Second by Vice President Tarlini.

Mr. Sacco stated there is a certain amount of time to act on approval and if Council does not act on in that time it will be deemed approved. Mr. Smith stated that Council has 90 days from the time of application to act on it.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	Councilman Lewis	No
	Councilman Blalock	Yes
	Vice President Tarlini	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion passed 4-1

Motion by Vice President Tarlini to approve Reaffirmation of Subdivision Plan for Bowman & Balfour Avenues, Bristol (Tax Parcel 05-024-098). Second by Councilman Tucker.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	Councilman Lewis	Yes
	Councilman Blalock	Yes
	Vice President Tarlini	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

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COUNCIL ITEMS:

Motion by Councilman Lewis to approve the lowest bidder for the summer recreation bus transportation, Bid #2011-02, GST Transportation Corporation. Second by Councilman Tucker.

Mr. Turner questioned the amount of the bid. President Pluta stated it was \$270.00 for 6 hours, and \$35.00 for the additional hourly rate over 6 hours.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	Councilman Lewis	Yes
	Councilman Blalock	Yes
	Vice President Tarlini	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

Motion by Councilman Lewis to approve the lowest bidder for the Newportville Fire Company No. 1 initial construction of new fire substation at 3025 Bath Road, Bid #2011-03 to DeNucci Excavating Corp. in the amount of \$154,535.00. Second by Councilman Blalock.

Mr. Turner questioned if the construction was funded by Grants. President Pluta stated yes.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	Councilman Lewis	Yes
	Councilman Blalock	Yes
	Vice President Tarlini	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

Mr. Sacco stated he supplied Council with a memorandum regarding the Non-Residential Unit Tax. Back in 2006 Council raised the tax to \$2.00 per square foot. In 2002 it was increased from .25 per square foot to \$1.00 per square foot. Mr. Sacco

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received a phone call from an attorney representing a business owner that would like to build a large warehouse over 200 square feet and the tax will deter the owner from purchasing the site.

Motion by Councilman Lewis to reduce the Non-Residential to \$1.00 per square foot and to advertise as per legal description. Second by Vice President Tarlini.

Mr. Obert questioned if the fee would affect the new applications. Mr. Sacco stated the tax is paid when the permits are paid for. President Pluta stated that he feels that this should be tabled to research how many people have just paid the \$2.00. Mr. Sacco stated applies going forward and the Township legally would not have to refund anybody. He is concerned if this is tabled that the developer will not stay in the Township.

Ms. Beeman questioned if this applies to already constructed buildings. Mr. Kucher stated it only applies to new construction. There were no permits within the last 30 to 45 days.

Mr. Brennan stated that time is of the essence to move forward. If this is implemented now the developer may want to come in and pull permits.

Mr. Lykon stated he paid that tax and hated it and he is glad to see it reduced. It will make the Township friendlier and it is a great idea.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	Councilman Lewis	Yes
	Councilman Blalock	Yes
	Vice President Tarlini	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

Motion by Councilman Lewis to approve the lowest bidders of the Consortium Bids for Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel and Unleaded Regular Fuel to Mansfield Petroleum. Second by Vice President Tarlini.

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	Vice President Tarlini	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

REPORT FROM DIRECTOR OF LICENSE & INSPECTIONS:

Mr. Kucher gave an update on a resident of Indian Creek complaining of tire storage in a shed and pickup truck. The Township received pictures and issued citations. Citations have been issued to the owner of former Miller’s Trailer Park for high grass and the owner said it will be cut this weekend. Mayor Monahan stated he is receiving a number of complaints from the Heddington Section for excessive amount of cats in the area and the odor is bad that homeowners cannot open their window. He feels the Township should do something. Mr. Kucher stated Council in the past has hired an outside contractor for exterminating. The Health Department does not do anything for cats. Vice President Tarlini requested Mr. Kucher to call BINGO to go over and look at the situation.

REPORT FROM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

Mr. Lawson stated there were questions about Junewood Dr. and Jade Lane, they should be done on Monday or Tuesday. Blue Ridge sidewalk and curb repair from the pipe job that was done will start next week. The Township will only restore what was taken out and will not replace the whole property. The Road Replacement is being reviewed by the Engineer and will be going out to bid next month.

REPORT FROM CHIEF OF POLICE:

Chief McAndrew stated he attended a luncheon with the Citizens Crime Commission where the Townships Narcotics Division received an award for their assistance in confiscating approximately \$1,000,000.00 in drugs. They are doing a great job. The

Township is proceeding with the COPS Grant for possibly rehiring the laid off Officers. It will come before Council for approval.

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REPORT FROM SOLICITOR:

No Report

OTHER:

Nothing presented.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:

Mr. Ken Keefer stated there are two people on Council that one owns property and the other rents property off the other he questioned if this was a conflict of interest. Mr. Sacco stated it is not a conflict of interest. Mr. Keefer stated when Weed Chevrolet was sold there was an agreement that no used cars would be sold and it is now full of used cars. Mr. Sacco stated if there was any change to the approved plan they would have to come back to Council for approval. They are permitted to sell used cars on a portion of the property. Mr. Kucher will look into it.

Mrs. Patty Nichol stated she has called 15 times and complained about an illegal Day Care on Maple Avenue in Croydon. She has complained about a property on Colonial Drive with high grass. President Pluta stated that if she did not get results from L & I that before she comes to the meeting to complain he would rather her contact Council.

Mr. Gallus Obert of Bristol Township questioned who generated the road list. President Pluta stated it was generated from complaints. Councilman Blalock went out with Jason and went up and down all the roads in the Township. Councilman Lewis stated that Penn Street should be checked out. Mr. Lawson stated Aqua is doing a lot of work and they have held out doing some of the roads. Mr. Obert stated the Township should give the residents notice so they have time to put curbs in. Mr. Obert stated he does not think it is a good idea for Public Works to have overtime. He feels that Council should not waive the in lieu of curbs and sidewalk for the Subdivision request because that money goes into a fund. President Pluta stated that

fund is used to offset the cost for the Township owned curbing that has to be replaced.

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Ms. Sheila Beeman read a statement to thank all for their support in the Election.

Mr. Wes Retzler of West Bristol stated Jade Lane has been bad for 6 to 8 months. Mr. Retzler questioned if the bill run had Este Lauder on it for paying officers. Mr. Bartlett stated that only the bills that are paid out are n the bill run. Mr. Retzler said that an officer has been parked there. Chief McAndrew stated that Este Lauder was having problems at their construction site and is paying the Township for the overtime to have the officers there.

Mr. Turner of Croydon read part of the contracts from Waste Management and Republic he said they were different and he was told that they were the same. President Pluta stated that he believes that there was always a 10 bag maximum that could be put out, he will have the manager go over the contracts and verify if there is a difference. Mr. Turner questioned how a person that is placed in a flood plain can be taken out. Mr. Kucher stated that FEMA would be responsible.

Mr. Michael Franklin requested to speak. Mr. Sacco stated that the Public Comment is reserved for Residents and Tax Payers of the Township. President Pluta asked if Council would be interested in allowing a former Township Employee to speak. Mr. Sacco stated he had concerns because it might address personnel issues.

Motion by Councilman Blalock to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 P.M. Second by Vice President Tarlini.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	Councilman Lewis	Yes
	Councilman Blalock	Yes
	Vice President Tarlini	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion passed 5-0

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**Respectfully submitted by
Betsey Kelly-Kryven
Secretary**