

BRISTOL TOWNSHIP

2501 Bath Road
Bristol, PA 19007

June 18, 2020

COUNCIL MEETING

President Bowen called the meeting to order at 7:06PM.

Roll Call:	President Bowen	Present
	Vice-President Murphy	Present
	Mr. Antonello	Present
	Mr. Blalock	Present
	Mr. Glasson	Present
	Mr. Monahan	Present
	Mrs. Wagner	Present

Also Present: Adam Flager of Flager & Associates, Kurt Schroeder, Township Engineer, Randee J. Elton, Township Manager, and Jill Maier, Township Secretary.

Adam Flager announced that litigation and labor issues were discussed in Executive Session prior to the meeting.

President Bowen announced that monthly reports are available for review in the Township Manager's Office and public comment on land development and official items will be taken during the meeting. In addition, residents may offer general comments at the of the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

- A. Presentation of Monthly Awards for Exemplary Recycling Performance.

President Bowen presented a \$50 Gift Certificate to the Kostner Family of Fairless Hills and the Velez Family of Levittown for their exemplary recycling efforts.

- B. Freedom Neighborhood One Introduction.

Keevon Johnson, President of Freedom Neighborhood One, Introduced himself and the entire Board to the Bristol Township Community.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. An Ordinance electing to amend its non-uniform pension plan administered by the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System pursuant to Article IV of the Municipal Retirement Law: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Ms. Elton explained that to meet the IRS dictation rule set at 4.5%, the Township would need to raise its current 1% contribution by 3.5% to meet this requirement.

Vice- President Murphy made a motion and it was seconded by Mr. Antonello to approve the Ordinance electing to amend its non-uniform pension plan administered by the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System pursuant to Article IV of the Municipal Retirement Law. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider approval of voucher list and requisitions dated June 12, 2020 in the amount of \$1,844,918.06.
- B. Consider approval of May 21, 2020 Council Meeting minutes.

Mr. Antonello made a motion and seconded by Mrs. Wagner to approve all items on the Consent Agenda. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Ms. Elton advised that the Township building opened at the start of the yellow phase. Upon opening the Township Administration building is fully staffed and functional. The building resumed business hours of 8:30am to 5:00pm. Masks must be worn as well as social distancing enforced in the lobby. Scheduled cleaning of all public spaces once per hour is also being done. One window was eliminated at both the building and planning office and the tax office. Ms. Elton expressed her gratitude for the consistency of business and for the kindness of all staff and the residents of Bristol Township. Next month we will have the 2019 Audit in for review as well as the financial summary for the first half of the year. The Curb Ramp Program has been going on and the Appletree section has just been completed. The other sections that were awarded in the bid will begin in about a month. The 2020 Road Paving Program is set to begin on Monday at Wistar Rd. We will be posting details online. We are hopeful the walking trail at the Municipal Park is open to the public by the end of next week. A modified summer camp is set to begin July 6th. The spray park and playground will be used by the children in camp but will be available for residents to block off time to use these amenities as well.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Application of Alliance Partners HSP LLC requesting Waiver of Land Development approval in order to renovate the existing building for a distribution center on the property located at 6300 Bristol Pike, Levittown (Tax Parcel #5-73-119-002) in an M-2 Heavy Manufacturing zoned district: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Alliance Partner HSP, LLC, the applicant has submitted an application for a waiver of land development on behalf of the property owner, Alliance 6300 Bristol, LLC. The subject property, T.M.P. #05-073-119-002, is located at 6300 Bristol Pike, within the M-2-Heavy Manufacturing Zoning District that consists of 9.9906 acres. Currently, the site has a vacant 148,894 square foot building with truck loading and unloading spaces and parking facilities.

The Sketch Plan proposes to renovate the existing building, add travel lanes to the rear of the building, remove existing paved areas along with modifications to the existing parking facilities. Wholesale Business, Wholesale Storage & Warehouse (use F3) is permitted by right within a M-2-Heavy Manufacturing Zoning District. The existing building is being serviced by public water and sewer. There is a reduction in impervious surface; therefore, no stormwater management facilities are proposed.

Mrs. Wagner made a motion and seconded by Mr. Blalock to approve the Waiver for Land Development for 6300 Bristol Pike. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

- B. Revised Waiver of Land Development for previous approval for the YMCA located at 601 S. Oxford Valley Rd., Fairless Hills (Tax Parcels #5-46-003-001, #5-46-230& #5-46-231) in a C-Commercial zoned district: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Carrie Nase, on behalf of the YMCA explained the revised plan for the YMCA. Due to increasing construction costs there has been a need to make changes to their project to make it viable. They no longer wish to construct the 4,393 square foot addition that would have included childcare.

Motion by Vice-President Murphy and seconded by Mrs. Wagner to approve the revised Waiver for Land Development for the YMCA. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

- C. Application of Legacy of Life, Yardley PA, requesting Waiver of Land Development approval in order to renovate the existing dwelling into a Community Women's Center with improvements to the parking lot on the property located at 708 Veteran's Highway, Bristol (Tax Parcel #5-59-32) in an R-2 residential zoned district: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Joseph Caracappa explained this plan would be renovating the existing 900 square foot single-family detached dwelling unit into an office are for the Community Women's Center. He agreed that they will abide by all ADA requirements for parking facilities.

Mrs. Wagner made a motion and seconded by Mr. Glasson to approve the Waiver for Land Development for Legacy of Life to renovate the existing dwelling at 708 Veteran's Highway. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

- D. Application of Arkema Inc., 100 PA Rt. 413, Bristol (Tax Parcel #5-62-001) requesting Waiver of Land Development approval in order to construct a 1,375 square foot building addition at the above noted location in an M-2 Heavy Manufacturing zoned district: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Arkema, Inc. has submitted the waiver of land development application on behalf of its property owner Rohm and Haas Company. The subject property, T.M.P. #05-062-001, is located at 100 PA Route 413, within the M2-Heavy Manufacturing Zoning District and consist of 13.49 gross acres. Currently, the site contains several buildings and parking lots. Manufacturing (use F1) is permitted by right within a M-2-Heavy Manufacturing Zoning District. This plan proposes the

construction of a 1,375 square foot building addition to enclose equipment. The existing building utilized existing public water and sewer connections. There is no change in impervious surface; therefore, no stormwater management facilities are proposed. Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Vice-President Murphy made a motion and seconded by Mr. Antonello to approve the Waiver for Land Development for Arkema, Inc, 100 PA Route 413. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

- E. Application of JRZ, LLC Croydon PA, requesting Waiver of Land Development approval in order to construct a pole building on the property located at 129 Zimmerman Lane, Levittown (Tax Parcel #5-16-13) in an M-1 Light Manufacturing zoned district: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

The applicant and property owner JRZ, LLC submitted a waiver of land development application. The subject property, T.M.P. #05-016-013, is located at 129 Zimmerman Lane, within the M-1-Light Manufacturing District and consists of 2.33 acres. Currently, the site contains an existing masonry building, cell tower, and driveways. The existing building is used for contracting (us F6), which is permitted by right within a M-1- Light Manufacturing District. The applicant is proposing to remove a portion of the existing building and to construct an updated metal sided pole building. These are proposed modifications to the existing public water and sewer facilities within the building. No stormwater management facilities are proposed.

Motion by Mr. Antonello and seconded by Mr. Glasson to approve the Waiver for Land Development for 129 Zimmerman Lane. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

- F. Agreement for a New Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township of Bristol and the Transport Workers Union of America, Local 282, AFL-CIO, Bristol Township School District Crossing Guards: Consideration to Ratify.

Ms. Elton explained that the contract for the crossing guards expired in December 2019. They have settled on an agreement for a four- year contract. Salary increases would be as follows: 2020-4%, this would include retro pay. 2021-3%, 2022-4% and 2023-4%. This would mimic the other two TWU and one SEUI contracts. One item requested was also funeral leave for in-laws, as well as modified days off.

Motion by Vice-President Murphy and seconded by Mrs. Wagner to ratify the New Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township of Bristol and the Transport Workers Union of America., Local 282, AFL-CIO, Bristol Township School District Crossing Guards. Motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Kurt Schroeder, Township Engineer, gave a MS4 Municipal Storm Water Collection update. Bristol Township's most recent Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit was approved in 2018 and the Township has until June 2023 to complete the requirements of the current permit. These requirements are mandated by DEP for every municipality in Pennsylvania and the

Township remains in compliance with the current requirements of the permit. As a part of the current permit, the Township is required to construct certain projects to help reduce stormwater pollution. The Township is currently proposing the construction of various vegetated swales and other stream bank stabilization efforts. The Township is currently seeking grant funding for these associated projects and engineering and permitting will begin once grant funding is obtained

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr. Antonello thanked the team from Freedom Neighborhood One for being present at the meeting. He also wanted to compliment them on their approach to bring attention and awareness locally to a problem that has festered for years.

President Bowen thanked Ms. Elton as well as the staff for navigating the township in these challenging times.

Ms. Elton wanted to let the resident know that they do not have to wait until a Council meeting to have any issues addressed. They can always contact the Township Manager's office. Vice-President Murphy also stated that their email addresses are all available to the public on the website to answer any concerns.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Joanne Lyons of 719 Fairview Ave thanked the township for placing the deaf stop sign that was put up for her granddaughter. She did advise that the speed limit digital sign is not working. She expressed her concerns with the amount of speeding cars.

Vincent Montoya of 53 Rambler Lane expressed his predictions and concerns with the upcoming budget and the margins. He spoke of racial statistics in law enforcement. He explained that he did reach out to Lieutenant Johnson to obtain these statistics. He expressed his negative feelings on the availability of this information. He asked Council to pass a Resolution condemning confederate flags as a racist symbol. In Bristol Township. He also asked Council to pass an Ordinance forbidding Police from communicating with ICE.

Dan Hebenstrei of 957 Dixon Ave expressed his concerns with the 2020 budget, particularly with the Police expenditures. He also noted that the life and disability costs more than tripled while community development saw decreases around 17%. He stated his belief that the township has moral obligation to take decisive by defunding the police.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Jill Maier
Township Secretary

Recap of June 18, 2020 Council Meeting

1. Presented Monthly Recycling Awards.
2. Freedom Neighborhood One Introduction from Board of Director Keevon Johnson.
3. Approved Ordinance (2020-02) amending its non-uniform plan administered by the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System pursuant to Article IV of the Municipal Retirement Law.
4. Approved Consent Agenda.
5. Approved Resolution (2020-46) for a Waiver of Land Development to renovate the existing building for a distribution center located on the property located at 6300 Bristol Pike, Levittown.
6. Approved Resolution (2020-47) for a Waiver of Land Development for phasing of previous approval for the YMCA located at 601 S. Oxford Valley Road, Fairless Hills.
7. Approved Resolution (2020-48) for a Waiver of Land Development to renovate the existing dwelling into a Community Women's Center with improvements to the parking lot on the property located at 708 Veteran's Highway, Bristol.
8. Approved Resolution (2020-49) for a Waiver of Land Development to construct a 1,375 square foot building addition at 100 PA Rt. 413.
9. Approved Resolution (2020-50) for a Waiver of Land Development to construct a pole building on the property located at 129 Zimmerman Lane, Levittown.
10. Approved Agreement for a New Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Township of Bristol and the Transport Workers Union of America, Local 282, AFL-CIO, Bristol Township School District Crossing Guards.