BRISTOL TOWNSHIP 2501 BATH ROAD BRISTOL, PA 19007

NOVEMBER 4, 2010 COUNCIL MEETING

President Pluta called the meeting to order at 7:08 P.M.

Roll Call:	Councilman Tucker	Present
	Councilman Lewis	Present
	Councilwoman Tarlini	Present
	<b>Vice President Davis</b>	Present
	President Pluta	Present

## **EXECUTIVE REPORT:**

The Bristol Township Holiday Parade will be held November 20, 2010 at 12:00 noon. The Parade begins at Buchanan Elementary School and ends at Truman High School. The annual Thanksgiving Day Football Game will be held on Thanksgiving Day between Harry S. Truman and Conwell Eagan.

Motion by Councilman Tucker to table the September 16, 2010 and September 23, 2010 minutes. Second by Councilwoman Tarlini.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	<b>Councilman Lewis</b>	Yes
	Councilwoman Tarlini	Yes
	<b>Vice President Davis</b>	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion approved 5-0

## **REPORT FROM MANAGING DIRECTOR:**

There were no bids received for the Emergency Management Garage Renovation Work or the Police Department Holding Cells Renovation Work. Mr. Bartlett stated that the bid specs will be re-evaluated to see if something can be changed.

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Bid opening for the Pipeline Video System and Van.

- 1. U. S. Municipal Supply, Inc. in the amount of \$225,384.04.
- 2. Golden Equipment Co., Inc. in the amount of \$191,591.00.
- 3. Cobra Technologies in the amount of \$198,560.00.

Mr. Bartlett stated that the bid specs will be evaluated and Council can awarded at the next Council Meeting. The Bristol Oxford Valley Bridge closing has caused some traffic issues. Penndot will be making continual adjustments on the traffic signals. The Auditorium Renovation Project will begin Monday, and will be completed by December 15, 2010. All meetings will be held in the Senior Center. Councilwoman Tarlini stated that the meetings will not be televised.

# **COUNCIL ITEMS**:

Motion by Councilwoman Tarlini to approve the Housing Assistance Program. Second by Councilman Lewis.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	<b>Councilman Lewis</b>	Yes
	Councilwoman Tarlini	Yes
	<b>Vice President Davis</b>	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion approved 5-0

Mr. Bartlett stated that the Waste Water Treatment Plan Bids were separated into 4 separated contracts.

Motion by Councilman Lewis to award Waste Water Treatment Plant Bid to T N Ward Company for the amount of \$6,863,500.00. Second by Vice President Davis.

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Tucker	Yes
	<b>Councilman Lewis</b>	Yes
	Councilwoman Tarlini	Yes
	<b>Vice President Davis</b>	Yes
	President Pluta	Yes

Motion approved 5-0

Motion by Vice President Davis to award Phillips Brothers for the Electrical Service for the Waste Water Treatment Plant for the amount of \$574,999.00. Second by Councilman Lewis.

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Roll Call Vote: Councilman Tucker Yes

Councilman Lewis Yes
Councilwoman Tarlini Yes
Vice President Davis Yes
President Pluta Yes

Motion approved 5-0

Motion by Councilman Lewis to award 5 Star Inc. for the Mechanical Service for the Waste Water Treatment Plant for the amount of \$499,000.00. Second by Councilman Tucker.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Tucker Yes

Councilman Lewis Yes
Councilwoman Tarlini Yes
Vice President Davis Yes
President Pluta Yes

Motion approved 5-0

Motion by Councilwoman Tarlini to award 5 Star Inc. for the Plumbing Service for the Waste Water Treatment Plant for the amount of \$272,000.00. Second by Councilman Lewis.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Tucker Yes

Councilman Lewis Yes
Councilwoman Tarlini Yes
Vice President Davis Yes
President Pluta Yes

Motion approved 5-0

Mr. Bartlett stated that the bids for the Waste Collection & Disposal/Recycling & Yard Waste were put out with several options: Option 1 was keeping the collection as it is presently with trash picked up twice a week and recycling and bulk pick up once a week. Option 2 was for once a week collection. Option 3 was for waste collection Monday Thursday and Tuesday Friday collection and the entire Township would have recycling on Wednesday.

Motion by Councilman Tucker to accept Option 1 for the Waste Collection & Disposal/Recycling & Yard Waste and award the bid to Republic Services for a 3 year contract in the amount of \$15,452,955.00. Second by Councilman Lewis.

# BRISTOL TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING November 4, 2010 continued:

Mr. Chuck Raudenbush of Waste Management requested Council to reconsider the motion and go with Option 3. With Option 3 the trash when the pickup day falls on a holiday it would be picked up the next day and there would be no trash trucks on Saturday. The difference between the two bids over 3 years would be \$140,000.00. Waste Management has been in the Township for 15 years. Councilman Tucker stated that Waste Management put a bid in for Option 1. Mr. Raudenbush stated that they were \$140,000.00 higher for Option 1 but they were \$1,000,000.00 lower on Option 2 and \$2,000,000.00 lower for Option 3. President Pluta stated with Option 3 the residents would have to put their trash down 3 times a week. Mr. Turner questioned the Other Company's record and how long were they in business. Mr. Sacco stated with the bid they had to put down references provide history and documents. The bids have been reviewed thoroughly. Republic Services was formally BFI. They provided a certificate from the landfill that will be used. Mr. Kenneth Anderson, representing Republic Services, stated that his company is considered the second largest trash disposal company in the United States and service 42 Countries. Mr. Obert questioned if Republic will be paying the \$60,000.00 that is not in the bid specs. Mr. Sacco stated that you must make your decision based on the bids that are submitted, and not the outside factors because that is the law. Vice President Davis questioned Mr. Bartlett about the phone calls he received after the last meeting. Mr. Bartlett stated that numerous phone calls came in with complaints that residents did not want once a week collection and also did not want to have to drag a can out to the street 3 times a week. Mr. Kevin Pollard of Croydon stated he would like Council to reconsider the bids because of all the community service that the current company has done for the community. Mr. Sacco stated that Council has to vote on the bid itself, and the documents that have been submitted and not the outside factors. Once Council determines what option they would like to go with the low bidder is decided. Gerry Thompson from Waste Management stated she understands that Council has to vote on is the low bid. She wanted to elaborate on what Waste Management has done for the community. She stated that they have over 500 employees in Bucks County and 165 that would be devoted to the contract with Bristol Township. They have participated in Community Clean Up and special events in the Township. Waste Management donated over 150 containers and dumpsters this year. Councilman Lewis stated that what Ms. Thompson is asking Council to do is accept the higher bid. If Waste Management had been the low bidder that the vote would be in their favor. Mr. Raudenbush stated that in Option 3 there are added services by 19 holiday pickups over the 3 years and Council should take other items into consideration. Councilwoman Tarlini stated that many residents would like to keep the service that we currently have. By keeping the trash pickup the way it is Council would not raise their rate. Council does appreciate the many of things that Waste Management has done.

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Roll Call Vote: Councilman Tucker Yes

Councilman Lewis Yes
Councilwoman Tarlini Yes
Vice President Davis Yes
President Pluta Yes

Motion approved 5-0

President Pluta thanked Waste Management for everything they do for the community.

## **REPORT FROM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:**

The Completion Report for Liquid Fuels will be submitted to the Municipal Representative after the Finance Director is finished with her portion of the Report. Mr. Lawson would like Council to place on the next agenda to release the payment to Morrissey in the amount of \$897,451.05. The punch list is completed. The drainage jobs will be started on Karen and Western Avenues. They should be completed within the next two weeks. President Pluta stated he did not want to release the money to Morrissey if the job is not complete. Mr. Lawson stated that there was only one deficiency and that should be completed by the next meeting.

Councilwoman stated that the handicap ramp in the front of the Township Building has a tripping hazard and requested Mr. Lawson to look into the problem. Councilman Tucker stated that maybe the curb could be smoothed over. Councilman Lewis stated that Maple Shade only had one handicap ramp on one side for the voters and suggested Mr. Lawson send a letter to the School to have them look into putting in another ramp.

#### REPORT FROM DIRECTOR OF WATER & SEWER:

Mr. Franklin thanked Council for having made the tough choices to bring the Sewer Plant up to modern standards, and all that worked tirelessly through the loan and bid process. The Casino funded Sewer TV Truck will be a great asset in the battle against extraneous waters into the system. The rehab of the Delhaas Pumping Station began and should be complete in 3 to 4 weeks.

## **REPORT FROM CHIEF OF POLICE:**

The traffic study for Mill Drive determined that it did not meet the required criteria for a multi way stop sign. November 13, 2010 there will be another take back prescription drug

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program from 11:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. President Pluta questioned if the Township was experiencing any problems with the Oxford Valley Bridge closing. Chief McAndrew stated that there was a head on collision in the Township's parking lot, but since then is has calmed down. The Officers try to stay on the other side of the bridge so things are running smother.

## **REPORT FROM DIRECTOR OF BUILDING, PLANNING & ZONING:**

No report was given.

#### **REPORT FROM SOLICITOR:**

Mr. Sacco stated that we are on schedule to close on the Pennvest Loan in the beginning of December. Mr. Sacco spoke to the attorney for the homeowner of the Excelsior Avenue property and they are cooperating to obtain coverage for the fire, and would like to raise the house. Mr. Sacco has contacted Marion Village and they have not responded to any of his letters, but he plans to sit with them and discuss the fence and moving the hydrant.

## OTHER:

Councilman Lewis questioned the handrails for the Wistar Road Bridge. Mr. Lawson stated that the Township had to take them down because they were damaged. It has been put in the 2011 budget to replace them, and they are looking into putting something there for temporary use.

# **OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL:**

Mr. Turner of Croydon questioned what the process would be to have a street light installed. Mr. Bartlett stated that there is a Street Light Consultant who would look into the location after an application is submitted to his office. Mr. Turner stated that the Transition Committee Meetings are being moved around and asked if Council could do anything about it. President Pluta stated that the Committee has a Chairperson and they will conduct the meetings as they see fit. Mr. Bartlett stated that they will put an advertisement out for the Committee that they will meet the second Tuesday of the Month.

Mr. Obert stated that when people are replacing curbs on a corner property the Township should give them the clay handicap inserts. Mr. Obert asked if there would be a Road Committee in 2011. President Pluta stated Council will discuss it. Mr. Obert stated that the Board of Election should be contacted to install handicap ramps for Election Day.

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Motion by Vice President Davis to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 P.M. Second by Councilwoman Tarlini.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Tucker Yes

Councilman Lewis Yes
Councilwoman Tarlini Yes
Vice President Davis Yes
President Pluta Yes

Motion approved 5-0

November 4, 2010 continued:

- 1. Motion to table the September 16, 2010 and September 23, 2010 minutes.
- 2. Motion to approve the Housing Assistance Program.
- 3. Motion to award Waste Water Treatment Plant Bid to T N Ward Company for the amount of \$6,863,500.00.
- 4. Motion to award Phillips Brothers for the Electrical Service for the Waste Water Treatment Plant.
- 5. Motion to award 5 Star Inc. for the Mechanical Service for the Waste Water Treatment Plant for the amount of \$499,000.00.
- 6. Motion to award 5 Star Inc. for the Plumbing Service for the Waste Water Treatment Plant for the amount of \$272,000.00.
- 7. Motion to accept Option 1 for the Waste Collection & Disposal/Recycling & Yard Waste and award the bid to Republic Services for a 3 year contract in the amount of \$15,452,955.00.
- 8. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Betsey Kelly-Kryven Secretary