



**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BRYN ATHYN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

***COUNCIL CHAMBER
July 11, 2022***

The meeting was called to order by Councilman Ric Asplundh at 7:00p.m. The following were present:

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Glenn Gurney
Ric Asplundh

Brent McCurdy
Aurelle Genzlinger

ALSO: Victoria S. Trost, Mayor Ken Schauder, Solicitor R. Rex Herder, Nick Rose, Russell Cooper, Bradley Cranch, Steve Gray. Councilmembers Jeffrey Elsing, Duane D. Hyatt and Mark Pennink were excused.

MINUTES

On a motion by Glenn Gurney, seconded by Brent McCurdy, Council voted unanimous approval of the June minutes.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Treasurer Vikki Trost reported General Fund Revenue for June was \$71,658.83. General Fund Expenses were \$193,862.93. Net Income was -\$122,204.10.

Sewer Fund Revenue for June was \$4,943.69. Sewer Fund Expenses were \$33,816.97. Net Income was -\$28,873.28.

Today PLGIT Class paid 1.08%. PLGIT PRIME paid 1.47%.

Included in the General Fund cash receipts were:

\$ 7,839.02	in Transfer Tax receipts
\$ 4,376.65	in Local Services Tax receipts
\$ 19,755.46	in Earned Income Tax receipts
\$ 1,804.26	in Fines
\$ 15.00	in Police Report receipts
\$ 4,364.00	in Building Permit receipts
\$ 4,500.00	in Sewer Fund Administrative Support
\$ 175.00	in Zoning Permit receipts
\$ 24,484.00	in Contributions to the Police Department
\$ 2,619.82	in Insurance Claims
\$ 1,625.00	in Fireworks Contributions

Included in the Sewer Fund cash receipts were:

\$ 4,943.69	in Masons Mill Pass-through receipts
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TAX COLLECTOR - None

BILLS

GENERAL FUND BILLS

A & T Auto & Truck Repair, Inc.	\$429.04
Am-Trust North America	6,749.56
Aqua PA	11.51
Aqua PA Fire Hydrants	3,088.47
Asure – Cherry Hill	394.31
Austin Rose	200.00
Auto Spa Xpress	20.00
Best Line Equipment	512.50
Bryn Athyn Fire Company	39,753.91
Building Inspection Underwriters, Inc.	50,905.60
Davidheiser’s Inc.	50.00
DeLage Landen	424.00
Eastburn & Gray PC	2,145.00
Fishers Ace Hardware	26.57
Frank A. Malizia, Jr. Inc.	7,300.00
Guardian Dental Insurance	3,919.82

HA Thomson Company	2,962.00
Independence Blue Cross	12,874.70
Kenneth J Schauder Incorporated	440.00
Kirsten Cranch	200.00
Lower Moreland Township	14,636.02
McDonald Uniform Company	359.96
Mira Yardumian	73.43
Nobre Computer	375.00
Peco Energy	2,122.16
Peco Energy	232.70
Pennsylvania One Call System	13.05
Peter Sheedy	200.00
Petty Cash – Steve Gray	260.81
Petty Cash – Victoria Trost	34.11
Pioneer Auto Body & Repair	1,736.55
RNK Electric LLC	843.69
Robert Genzlinger	406.41
S2Verify, LLC	25.00
Staples	156.77
TDS Concrete, Inc.	869.20
TGI Office Automation	31.23
The Harrison Group	83.34
The Vanguard Group	971.41
Trugreen Processing Center	959.70
United States Treasury	16.74
Verizon Wireless	126.59
Victoria Trost	50.00
Wawa – Wright Express	1,362.23
Witmer Public Safety Group	132.04
TOTAL	<u>\$158,485.13</u>

SEWER FUND BILLS

Academy of the New Church	\$892.54
Am-Trust North America	1,382.44
Arnold's Towing	299.74
Asure – Cherry Hill	186.37
EEMA	875.00
Frank A Malizia, Jr. Inc.	2,250.00
Home Depot	318.27
Independence Blue Cross	1,210.04
Kenneth J Schauder Incorporated	435.00
MJ Reider Associates, Inc.	584.85
Mac Medical Gases Inc.	40.50
McGovern Environmental LLC	240.75
Peco Energy	385.42
Postmaster	174.00

Schooley Electric	800.00
SCP Distributors LLC	2,011.10
The Harrison Group	16.66
USA Blue Book	596.69
Verizon	80.11
Verizon Wireless	42.19
Wawa – Wright Express	354.86
Wind River Environmental LLC	2,797.69
TOTAL	<u>\$16,132.22</u>

BMO MASTER CARD

General Fund

Amazon.com	\$196.28
Adobe AcroPro	14.99
GoToMyPC.com	420.00
TOTAL	<u>\$631.27</u>

Sewer Fund

Fisher’s Ace Hardware	\$40.23
Ebay	2,593.92
Etrailer Corporation	139.08
GT Radiator Repairs	136.96
Amazon.com	203.23
<u>Mike’s Lock Shop</u>	<u>40.75</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$3,154.17</u>

On a motion by Brent McCurdy, seconded by Glenn Gurney, Council unanimously voted to authorize payment of the bills as listed.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Secretary Vikki Trost read the report of President Jeff Elsing.

Independence Day Celebration

President Elsing expressed thanks to everyone for making the Independence Day celebrations happen and for all of the donations and support. Special thanks to Glen Henderson for organizing the parade and all of the festivities. Thanks to the Academy of the New Church for allowing us to use their facilities and grounds. Thanks to all the fire and police personnel who helped throughout the entire day and especially during the fireworks. Everyone made this a successful event.

Bryn Athyn/Lower Moreland Fire Services

Discussions with Lower Moreland concerning fire services are continuing; the next meeting is scheduled for July 19.

Conditional Offer of Employment – Peter Perry

President Elsing asked that Council consider a motion that a conditional offer of employment as Part-Time Police Officer to Peter Perry, pending successful psychological and physical examinations. Mr. Perry is a 17-year police veteran that can bring a lot of experience to our department. He has had a stellar career and is ready to jump into our rotation and help fill needed slots.

On a motion by Aurelle Genzlinger, seconded Brent McCurdy, Council voted unanimously in favor to extend a conditional offer of employment for the position of Part-time Police Officer to Peter Perry, pending successful completion of psychological and physical examinations.

MAYOR’S REPORT - None

POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT

Chief Steve Gray reported the following activity for June:

Alarms	06
Assist Bryn Athyn Fire / Ambulance	06
Assist Other Police Agencies	33
Miscellaneous Activity	75
Public Service Calls / Assist Citizens	03
Special Traffic Details	11
Suspicious Circumstance Investigations	08
Traffic Citations	53
Vehicle Accidents	05
Vehicle Investigations	73

On June 6th, 2022 at 4:55pm, police investigated a suspicious person in the 2900 block of Huntingdon Pike. The 31-year-old white male was pushing a shopping cart with his belongings in it. He advised police that he was previously a resident of Philadelphia, but that he was currently homeless. Two local citizens who were in the area heard of the man’s situation and asked if they could assist in helping the man get help. After ensuring that there were no wants or warrants for the male, police followed the good Samaritans to Southampton, where the good Samaritans provided the man with dinner before taking him to a local facility in the area that was able to assist the man with shelter.

On Monday June 6th at 11:44pm, police conducted a vehicle investigation in the area of Buck and Byberry Road due to the vehicle having a suspended registration. Upon further investigation, police found that the driver was driving with a suspended driver's license, with no insurance and there were counterfeit inspection stickers displayed on the vehicle. The driver was also wanted on a warrant from the Buck's County Sheriff's Department. Police charged the man with the traffic offenses that were observed in the Borough and then turned the 59-year-old resident of Philadelphia over to the Buck's County Sheriff's Deputies.

On Monday June 20th at 5:50pm, police responded to the Pennypack Watershed Trail for a report of a 53-year-old female resident of Philadelphia who had driven down an embankment and had fallen from her bicycle. Upon arrival, police assisted the Bryn Athyn Ambulance Medics, who transported the woman to Abington Hospital for further treatment.

Police also responded to seventy-five miscellaneous complaints, which included six Domestic related incidents in the Borough during the month of June.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT - None

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

Ken Schauder reported that while the July 4th activities went very well, there are a lot of man hours involved in the planning. Mr. Schauder was confident that the team was prepared for any incident.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT - None

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT

American Rescue Plan Funds (ARPA)

Vikki Trost reported that the US Treasury will be releasing funds for the second tranche on July 15, 2022. The Borough is scheduled to receive \$73,477.79 in grant funds.

Alnwick Grove

The Alnwick Grove Historical Society has installed the historical marker in Alnwick Grove along the Pennypack Trail. The marker is located 500 feet south of the Bryn Athyn Post Office, just past the 3.25-mile marker.



Fetters Mill Bridge Update

Vikki Trost reported that she had a visit today from Bonnie Rivera, who has received information on the bridge project from PennDOT. Apparently, the project was put on hold in March 2022 and is being redesigned due to utility relocation.

Mrs. Trost will contact PennDOT to request a consulting parties meeting to review the redesign.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Mayor Schauder reported that he was contacted by Meg Rohtla from the Cathedral with regard to people parking along Quarry Road. Mrs. Rohtla will attend the next meeting of the Safety Committee to express her concerns. Mayor Schauder also invited Aurelle Genzlinger/Public Works to contribute to the open discussion next month.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

In the absence of Chairman Mark Pennink, Councilman Ric Asplundh read the report.

Masons Mill Road, Tomlinson Road, Cathedral Road and a small section of Creek Road were paved. We are expecting a bill from Lower Moreland Township for risers needed

during paving. The paving cost an additional \$7,000 to \$10,000 as per the contract price increase.

A sinkhole was repaired on Feters Mill Road. Concrete was repaired on the Tomlinson Road path. Several drains were repaired.

Mr. Pennink and Public Works Manager Bradley Cranch drove through the Borough on July 7 checking drains and signs.

Nick Rose reported that there is no update on the Tomlinson Road Sidewalk with the Bryn Athyn Church School project.

Mr. Rose reported that the Alden Road bid specifications and the Municipal Building Drainage Improvements bid specs are ready. He would like to verify the bid opening dates with Chairman Mark Pennink. The bid specs will be shared with Mark Pennink, Aurelle Genzlinger and Rex Herder for a final review.

Council discussed the condition of Woodland Road following PECO's search for a gas leak in the area.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Vikki Trost reported that the Finance Committee is scheduled to meet on July 26, 2022.

LAND USE AND NATURAL RESOURCES/ SHADE TREE COMMITTEE

Mr. Gurney reported that trees overhanging the sidewalk on south side of Tomlinson Road is creating a dangerous situation. The property owner will be alerted.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE - None

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE - None

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT - None

ZONING OFFICER

Vikki Trost reported two (2) Zoning Permit applications approved in June. Thirteen (13) Building Permits were issued. One (1) Grading Permit was issued.

SEWER ADMINISTRATOR

Glenn Gurney reported that the Sewer Committee is waiting to receive the final of three quotes for the generator project. The Finance Committee requested that engineered plans be submitted for the generator project.

Maintenance pumping of Category 2 septic tanks continue. The cleanup of the Sewage Treatment Plan grounds is nearly completed. Monthly STP testing for the PA DEP reports continues to go well.

BOROUGH ENGINEER - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Brent McCurdy opened a discussion of signs recently left in Borough Park from an Academy summer camp group. Council discussed an ordinance regarding signs in Borough Park with no conclusion.

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR - None

There being no further business presented, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38pm.

Council's next regular meeting will be held on Monday, August 1, 2022 at 7:00pm in the Borough Hall.

Victoria S. Trost
Secretary