



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

COUNCIL CHAMBER
August 1, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Jeffrey Elsing at 7:00p.m. The following were present:

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Jeffrey Elsing
Ric Asplundh
Aurelle Genzlinger

Duane D. Hyatt
Glenn Gurney

ALSO: Victoria S. Trost, Mayor Ken Schauder, Solicitor R. Rex Herder, Steve Gray, Russell Cooper. Councilmembers Mark Pennink and Brent McCurdy were excused.

MINUTES

On a motion by Glenn Gurney, seconded by Aurelle Genzlinger, Council voted unanimous approval of the July minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Fund Revenue for July was \$29,781.18. General Fund Expenses were \$182,954.32. Net Income was -\$153,173.14

Sewer Fund Revenue for July was \$1,818.93. Sewer Fund Expenses were \$21,930.05. Net Income was -\$20,111.12.

Today PLGIT Class paid 1.27%. PLGIT PRIME paid 1.63%.

Included in the General Fund cash receipts were:

\$ 16,545.89	in Real Estate Tax receipts
\$ 928.78	in Local Services Tax receipts
\$ 1,470.46	in Earned Income Tax receipts
\$ 1,350.93	in Fines
\$ 120.00	in Police Report receipts
\$ 264.00	in Building Permit receipts
\$ 1,797.12	in Insurance Dividends
\$ 7,295.00	in Fireworks Contributions

Included in the Sewer Fund cash receipts were:

\$ 143.12	in Lower Moreland Pass-through receipts
\$ 1,570.81	in Finance Charges & Late Fees
\$ 105.00	in Sewer Certification Fees

TAX COLLECTOR - None

BILLS

GENERAL FUND BILLS

Aqua PA	\$55.99
Asure Payroll	194.00
Bruce S Morrison, DO	395.00
Building Inspection Underwriters, Inc	3,120.00
Cranch Landscapers, LLC	275.00
DeLage Landen	424.00
Field Services, LLC	1,587.00
Frank A Malizia, Jr, Inc	2,400.00
Hardwick Benfer, LLC	680.00
Independence Blue Cross	6,437.35
John P Fraunces, Ed D	185.00
Kenneth J Schauder, Inc	550.00
Lower Moreland Township	14,790.69
Nobre Computer	75.00
Peco Energy Company	1,200.02
Petty Cash – Steve Gray	277.50
Petty Cash – Victoria Trost	30.00
Pioneer Auto Body & Repair	349.37
ProTract Engineering, Inc	5,619.00
PSAB	45.00
The Vanguard Group	1,242.26
TGI Office Automation	20.32

Verizon Wireless	201.01
Victoria Trost	50.00
Wawa – Wright Express	1,543.49
TOTAL	<u>\$41,747.00</u>

SEWER FUND BILLS

Academy of the New Church	\$560.14
Asure Payroll	112.55
Home Depot	89.57
Independence Blue Cross	605.02
Kenneth J Schauder, Inc	580.00
Lower Moreland Township	143.12
PA Department of Environmental Protection	500.00
Peco Energy	385.42
Petty Cash – Reid Heinrichs	202.02
SCP Distributors LLC	1,996.10
Verizon FIOS	89.51
Verizon Internet	79.00
Verizon Wireless	42.28
Wawa – Wright Express	182.94
TOTAL	<u>\$5,567.67</u>

BMO MASTER CARD

General Fund

Amazon.com	\$85.75
Adobe AcroPro	14.99
Eset.com	190.78
SamsClub.com	118.42
Microsoft 360	74.19
TOTAL	<u>\$484.13</u>

Sewer Fund

PayPal.com	\$250.00
Ebay	394.12
Sager Electronics	57.51
Teledyne Instruments	1,030.14
Amazon.com	53.93
SamsClub.com	50.76
TOTAL	<u>\$1,836.46</u>

GENERAL FUND

Lower Moreland Township	<u>\$166,479.47</u>
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On a motion by Duane Hyatt, seconded by Aurelle Genzlinger, Council voted unanimously in favor to transfer an amount not to exceed \$29,000 from Public Works Reserves to the General Fund, in order to compensate for an anticipated increase in the invoice from Lower Moreland Township for road paving.

On a motion by Duane Hyatt, seconded by Aurelle Genzlinger, Council unanimously voted to authorize payment of the bills as listed.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT - None

MAYOR’S REPORT - None

POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT

Chief Steve Gray reported the following activity in July:

Alarms	12
Assist Bryn Athyn Fire / Ambulance	09
Assist Other Police Agencies	22
Miscellaneous Activity	83
Public Service Calls / Assist Citizens	02
Special Traffic Details	03
Suspicious Circumstance Investigations	06
Traffic Citations	58
Vehicle Accidents	02
Vehicle Investigations	72

On Tuesday July 5th at 11:14am, police responded to the 600 block of Dale Road for a report of a disturbance between an Uber driver and the passenger. Upon arrival, police found that the two subjects were arguing over the route that the driver was taking, which caused the driver to tell the passenger to get out of his vehicle and to find another way to get to his destination. The Uber driver was sent on his way and police gave the passenger a ride to his destination in Southampton.

On Thursday July 14th at 4:20pm, police conducted a vehicle stop in the 2900 block of Huntingdon Pike to investigate a fictitious temporary license plate on the vehicle. Upon further investigation, police learned that the driver did not have a valid driver’s license and failed to produce a valid insurance card. The driver was issued several citations and his vehicle was impounded until proper registration and insurance can be provided to police.

On Sunday July 17th at 4:55am, police conducted a vehicle stop in the 3000 block of Huntingdon Pike. While speaking with the operator of the vehicle, police detected a

strong odor of marijuana. A Drug Recognition Officer from Lower Moreland Police conducted the field sobriety tests and determined that the driver was under the influence of drugs and was unfit to drive at that time. The driver refused a blood test. The 29-year-old female resident of Philadelphia was taken into custody and charged with DUI and also for driving with a suspended driver's license.

On Wednesday July 27th at 6:11pm, police responded to the Pennypack Watershed for a report of a white male who threw a large rock from the top of the bridge located on Creek Road which landed approximately five feet in front of two men who were fishing beneath the bridge. The two men ran up to the trail and saw an older white male running away who was described as having grey, balding hair and wearing green shorts and no shirt. The men called the Park Rangers which delayed police receiving the call for twenty minutes. No one was hurt in this incident and the white male was not located.

On Sunday July 31st at 1:42pm, police stopped a vehicle in the 3000 block of Huntingdon Pike to investigate a counterfeit temporary registration that was displayed on the vehicle. The driver, an 18-year-old resident of Philadelphia was cited for the counterfeit registration, driving without a driver's license, driving with no vehicle insurance and counterfeit inspection stickers. The vehicle was impounded by police.

During the month of July, Police also responded to two separate animal complaints on the Pennypack Watershed trail for dogs walking off the leash, which in one case caused a 60-year-old resident of Willow Grove to fall off of his bicycle while trying to avoid hitting the dog.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Ken Schauder reported 37 Fire Calls in July, 31 in Lower Moreland, 3 in Bryn Athyn; 168 Ambulance Calls reported in July, 90 in Lower Moreland, 10 in Bryn Athyn, 68 in other municipalities; 91 Transports in July, 52 in Lower Moreland, 8 in Bryn Athyn, 31 in other municipalities. There were 14 scratches, representing 8.3% of dispatches. It was noted that the scratches were a result of the ambulance covering other municipalities. If Bryn Athyn Ambulance is covering another area, 911 dispatch will send the next closest ambulance to the Borough.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

Ken Schauder reported that the team met in July.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT - None

BOROUGH MANAGER'S REPORT - None

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Joint BA-LM Fire Services Director

Chairman Jeff Elsing reported that he and Vikki Trost, Commissioner David Sirken and Township Manager Chris Hoffman attended a meeting with representatives of Huntingdon Valley and Bryn Athyn Fire Companies at Lower Moreland Township to further the joint Fire Services plan. It was announced that the Township and Borough are working on a Request for Proposals for a Joint Fire Services Director. The document will be finalized in the fall, at which time funding will be discussed. All HVFC and BAFC chiefs were in attendance. An intermunicipal agreement will be prepared as well. Mr. Elsing reported that the goal for the Fire Services Director is to affect change in both departments.

Borough Park Parking

Mr. Elsing reported that parking at the park will be patrolled and controlled by police officers. Parking is permitted along Alnwick Road, but the vehicles may not block the roadway. No perpendicular parking is permitted under the trees. Parking is permitted along Quarry Road on the Borough Park side only. Mr. Elsing will clean up the parking map and post on social media.

ANC Director of Security

Mr. Hyatt reported that the Academy has hired a new head of Security, Joe Metzinger. Mr. Metzinger is retired from the FBI and has campus security experience from positions at Manor College and LaSalle University.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Alden Road Project Bid Specifications

The bid specs were circulated to members of Council for review. Mrs. Genzlinger provided a list of items for Nick Rose to add to the plans and specs. The items listed were adding a blind mat (bubbles) and separating six Lower Moreland driveways as a separate bid. Council would like to advertise for sealed bids for opening at the November meeting, extending the project completion date to December 2023. Nick Rose has not yet responded to the requested changes.

Municipal Building Drainage Improvement Bid Specifications

Mr. Herder reported that bid advertisements must run twice not more than forty-five (45) days or less than three (3) days prior to the opening.

On a motion by Aurelle Genzlinger, seconded by Jeff Elsing, Council voted unanimously in favor to advertise for sealed bids for the Municipal Building Drainage Improvement Project for bid opening to occur on October 3, 2022.

FINANCE COMMITTEE - None

LAND USE AND NATURAL RESOURCES/ SHADE TREE COMMITTEE - None

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE - None

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE - None

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT - None

ZONING OFFICER

There were no (0) Zoning Permit applications approved in July. Two (2) Building Permits were issued. No (0) Grading Permits were issued.

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Reid Heinrichs reported that annual maintenance is being done on pumps and motors at the sewage treatment plant. Three quotes for the new generator are due. The interim propane generator is up and running. The 2013 Chevrolet pickup truck will be sold.

Glenn Gurney reported that an electrical engineer will prepare bid specs for the new generator. Peco has offered natural gas to residents of Sycamore Road which may benefit the Borough with the gas line needed for the sewer plant. Mr. Gurney has left a message for Dave Harmon at Peco.

BOROUGH ENGINEER - None

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Schauder reported that the draft lease with ANC for the Municipal Building will be sent to President Elsing and Solicitor Rex Herder.

NEW BUSINESS

Julia Terruso, a reporter with the Philadelphia Inquirer, stated that she is writing a story about the Borough and Dr. Oz.

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

An audience member asked if the fireworks expense were met with current contributions. Vikki Trost responded that the fireworks fund is a few dollars short this year.

There being no further business presented, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm.

Council's next regular meeting will be held on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 7:00pm in the Borough Hall.

Victoria S. Trost
Secretary