

BRISTOL TOWNSHIP

2501 BATH ROAD
BRISTOL, PA 19007

APRIL 18, 2013

TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING

President Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Roll Call:	Mr. Bowen	Present
	Mr. Glasson	Present
	Ms. Longhitano	Present
	Mr. Pluta	Absent
	Mr. Tucker	Absent
	Vice President Brennan	Present
	President Lewis	Present

Council President Lewis stated that monthly reports are available for review in the Township Manager's Office and public comment on Land Development and official action items will be taken during the meeting. In addition, residents may offer general comments at the end of the meeting under public comments. Further, items of legal issues were discussed prior to the meeting in Executive Session.

VOUCHER LIST & MINUTES

- A. Call for a motion to approve the outstanding Voucher List and Requisitions for April 18, 2013.

Motion by Mr. Bowen and seconded by Vice President Brennan to approve the outstanding Voucher List and Requisitions for April 18, 2013.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

- B. Call for a motion to Approve Minutes from the Council Meeting from March 18, 2013.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Ms. Longhitano to approve the Minutes from the Council Meeting from March 18, 2013.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

RESOLUTION:

Call for a motion by the Consent of All Council Members to move item Resolution 7A to first order of business on the April 18, 2013 Agenda.

- A. Resolutions of Commendation for Public Works' Employees Joe Judge, Rob Colella, and Ray Hopkins for Outstanding Work in the Rehabilitation of the Township Building: Consideration to Adopt.

A Power Point presentation was provided for public view showing pictures of the work carried out by these Public Works employees that was completed on the Municipal Building.

Motion by Mr. Bowen and seconded by Ms. Longhitano to Approve the Resolutions of Commendation for Public Works' Employee Rob Colella, for Outstanding Work in the Rehabilitation of the Township Building.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

Motion by Mr. Bowen and seconded by Mr. Glasson to Approve the Resolutions of Commendation for Public Works' Employees, Joe Judge and Ray Hopkins for Outstanding Work in the Rehabilitation of the Township Building.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Matt Brozena, Tom Czop, and Dale Jacoby of M & B Environmental will provide a Six Month Report on the Operation of the Bristol Township Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- B. Susan LeGros of Stevens & Lee and Wayne Simpson of the Alaimo Group will provide an update on the Consent Order with the US Environmental Protection Agency.

Ms. Susan LeGros, Environmental Attorney of Stevens & Lee, Wayne Simpson of Alaimo Group and Matt Brozena, Tom Czop and Dale Jacoby of M&B Environmental provided insight on both the

operations of Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) and an update as to the Consent Order Compliance Issues regarding the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Ms. LeGros started the presentation off stating that the work needed to get the plant compliant required the entire panel to work together as a team so their report would be presented as a team as well.

Ms. Susan LeGros spoke on the history of the Waste Water Treatment Plant and the legal, operational and engineering issues that have been the focus of some Regulatory Authorities. Ms. LeGros stated it is their combined goal to achieve construction while meeting compliance by April 2015; in regards to bringing the WWTP and the additional pumping stations up to compliance and be discharged from the Consent Order Decree.

Mr. Wayne Simpson of Alaimo Group spoke on the Consent Order Decree and the Maintenance and Treatment Plans needed by the Waste Water Treatment Plant to stay on track with meeting the expectations of the Decree within the expected timeframe. Mr. Simpson noted that a lot of work has been completed by the team and township so that other requirements won't need to be addressed next year.

Mr. Matt Brozena spoke on what M&B Environmental brought into the WWTP to gain compliance with staffing and operations. Mr. Brozena also stated that they have been able to reduce one of the two ongoing fines Bristol Township has been paying by introducing a chlorine chemical into the process. Mr. Brozena presented the operational issues and how they have been dealt with along with some of the ongoing issues the WWTP faces and how they need to be dealt with to gain compliance within the Consent Order.

Ms. LeGros finished the presentation stating that the next steps are to continue operation improvements at the plant while keeping compliance with the consent order, along with the increased dialogue between all parties involved. Ms. LeGros also stated **that additionally** the next steps would be to identify measured steps that are needed in order to enhance the capacity and operations of the WWTP, along with getting them approved and substituted in the Consent order. "Bristol Township needs reasonable and justifiable plans for where we need to go and how we plan on getting there along with the involved governmental agencies approval and finally a judge must revise the original consent order Decree," stated Ms. LeGros.

Ms. Longhitano asked what the term "replacement in kind" meant along with the question as to if, "the Waste Water Treatment Plant is in compliance, are we operating at a lower expense than in the past?"

Mr. Bowen questioned if the Waste Water Treatment Plant is actually in compliance with the Consent Order by April 2015, who disappears; in regards to whose services Bristol Township would no longer need after full compliance is reached.

Ms. Ellen Miller of Margo Gardens questioned if Super Storm Sandy had put a significant spike on the inflow to the Waste Water Treatment Plant and as to the separation of Waste Water Flow and Street Water flow.

Mr. Charles Schultz inquired if at will secondary manhole checks were part of the ongoing steps to keep an eye on the Industrial Waste Pre-Treatment system.

Mr. Gallus Obert questioned about the concentrations of constituents coming in being higher than normal, and why, since the I & I flow would dilute them?

RESOLUTIONS

- B. A Resolution Declaring 514 Magnolia Avenue, T.M.P. 05-008-156, 1712 Prospect Avenue, T.M.P. 05-009-349, and 3716 Elmhurst Avenue, T.M.P. 05-059-106 as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law: Consideration to Adopt.

Township Manager McCauley stated that as these properties **approved** to be blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law the Redevelopment Authority comes and fixes them up in order to get them back on the tax rolls and to improve the property values and quality of life in the area.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Mr. Bowen to Approve a Resolution Declaring 514 Magnolia Avenue, T.M.P. 05-008-156, 1712 Prospect Avenue, T.M.P. 05-009-349, and 3716 Elmhurst Avenue, T.M.P. 05-059-106 as Blighted in Accordance with the Urban Redevelopment Law.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

- C. A Resolution Authorizing and Approving Transportation Enhancements Reimbursement Agreements for the Costs of the Construction of the Route 13—Redevelopment—Croydon Project Designated as Agreement #161273 and Directing the Appropriate Township Officials to Sign: Consideration to Adopt.

Township Manager McCauley stated that this agreement was required by PennDOT to receive reimbursement for the Croydon Streetscape Project.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Mr. Bowen Approving a Resolution Authorizing and Approving Transportation Enhancements Reimbursement Agreements for the Costs of the Construction of the Route 13—Redevelopment—Croydon Project Designated as Agreement #161273 and Directing the Appropriate Township Officials to Sign.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

M. Randall Flager of Flager & Associates stated that the Township had a vacancy within the Zoning Hearing Board. The term expired on 3.31.13 and was previously filled by Ronald Marczak. Mr. Flager inquired as to if there was someone the board would like to appoint to this 5 year term that would run from 4.1.13 to 3.31.18.

Vice President Brennan suggested Mr. James McMahan of 1217 Magnolia Ave in Croydon, PA.

Motion by Vice President Brennan and seconded by Ms. Longhitano to appoint Mr. James McMahan of 1217 Magnolia Ave in Croydon, PA to the vacancy of the Zoning Hearing Board.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

Mr. Flager yielded the remainder of his time to the Township Manager.

REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Township Manager McCauley spoke on the past year and the difficulty in reductions of workforce but primarily meeting budget goals set forth by the proposed 2012 budget.

Township Manager Bill McCauley gave a presentation to the Township Council on the results of financial operations for 2012 utilizing the projector and it was good news for taxpayers. McCauley reported that the Township finished 2012 with a General Fund cumulative surplus of \$5,999,255 beating the projected number by \$2,251,534. General Fund Revenues came in \$1,315,075 higher and expenses came in \$936,459 under the adopted budget. Upon questioning by Council member Troy Brennan, McCauley stated that there should be no tax millage increase required for 2014.

Mr. McCauley stated that the once distressed Bristol Township, about to file Act 47 is now on the road to financial health all while keeping taxes at their current rate and not taxing seniors out of their home and making Bristol Township more attractive to potential incoming businesses. We need to continue to invest in infrastructure and continue to have businesses invest in Bristol Township.

Vice President Brennan inquired as to if he can assure the seniors and taxpayers with confidence another year with no tax increase.

Mr. McCauley stated in response that if the Township stays on course with the projected budget and if the Township controls expenditures it is very realistic to state there should be no tax increase for 2014 and would be very difficult to justify a tax increase in 2015.

President Bob Lewis along with the entire council commended Township Manager McCauley on a job well done.

Mr. McCauley announced Bristol Township's Earth Day Celebration on April 28th from 10am to 1pm at the James J.A. Gallagher Senior Center Bristol in the Township Municipal Complex. There will be a Petting Zoo and Worm Farm along with Free Electronics Drop Off Event plus see tours of the Township's Rain Garden and Septa's Hybrid Bus.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Application of Green Lane Properties, LLC, 2201 Green Lane, for an Amended Land Development Plan Approval for T.M.P. #5-69-43 (Lot #2) in a Planned Industrial District: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Mr. Tom Hecker gave a presentation via projector for Land Development approval on Lot # 2 at 2201 Green Lane, known as the Bristol Commerce Center, to include an additional 10, 000 square foot addition and the moving of the location of the parking layout which requires a waiver for the 15 foot buffer off the building. Mr. Hecker stated that there were two companies interested in this piece of land and that they have a very tight timeframe and would need council to approve the modifications amendments.

Mr. Larry Young of Gilmore and Assoc. stated the previously approved original plan from 2009 would need to be resubmitted to include the modified amendments along with the parking waiver and the fees paid in order for the plan to be re-recorded.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Ms. Longhitano to Approve the Application of Green Lane Properties, LLC, 2201 Green Lane, for an Amended Land Development Plan Approval for T.M.P. #5-69-43 (Lot #2) in a Planned Industrial District as set forth to include the condition of compliance to the satisfaction of the Township Engineer.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

- B. Bids for Asphalt and Stone: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Township Manager McCauley stated that along with the recommendation from the Director of Publics Works, council should approve to accept the low bids of Barrett Asphalt, Eureka Stone Quarry, and PSB for delivered materials.

Motion by Mr. Bowen and seconded by Vice President Brennan to Accept the low bids of Barrett Asphalt, Eureka Stone Quarry, and PSB Cold Patch for delivered materials.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

C. Bids for Sign and Post: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Township Manager McCauley spoke on the joint bid with Bucks County Consortium for traffic signs and posts materials used by the Public Works Department. The low bids are Custom Products for reflective letter pressure sensitive sheeting, Custom Products and Garden Sates for the high intensity prismatic reflective sheeting and Garden State for aluminum signs blank.

Motion by Mr. Bowen and seconded by Mr. Glasson to accept the low bids of Custom Products for reflective letter pressure sensitive sheeting, Custom Products and Garden Sates for the high intensity prismatic reflective sheeting and Garden State for aluminum signs blank.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

D. Bids for Police Uniforms: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Mr. Bowen to Accept the bid from Samzie's for Bristol Township's Police Uniforms.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

E. Bids for 2013 Inflow and Infiltration Program for Wastewater Collection System: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Multiple bids were received and are being reviewed for compliance before being accepted. No Action needed as Township Council is waiting for a report back to take appropriate action.

F. Request for Release of Escrow for Action Manufacturing Company in the Amount of \$57,102.10: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Motion by Vice President Brennan and seconded by Mr. Glasson to Approve the Request for Release of Escrow for Action Manufacturing Company in the Amount of \$57,102.10.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

G. Letter to Manager from Administrative Director of Bucks County Technical High School

dated April 9, 2013 Requesting Waiver of Permit Fees: Consideration to take Appropriate Action.

Township Manager Bill McCauley recommended that council approve a 50 % waiver reduction for relief of permit fees instead of a full waiver of all fees allowing the township to be able to cover their costs of inspection along with administrative costs associated with the permits.

Motion by Mr. Bowen and seconded by President Lewis to approve a 50 % Waiver Reduction Request for Relief of Permit Fees for Bucks County Technical High School.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Bowen announced that Sidewalks for New Falls Road will host a 5K Run/Walk at Bucks County Technical high School on May 11th along with the Spring Fling from 9am to 3pm. There will be a Craft Show and 45 Vendors weather permitting.

OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

Ms. Patti Nickels, representative for Sidewalks for New Falls Road also announced another fundraising event scheduled for April 23rd at JoJo's Ice Cream from 6-9 pm, 20% of all proceeds will be donated to Sidewalks for New Falls Road, Please call (215) 300-6178 for coupon needed to participate.

Ms. Nickels inquired about the Franklin & Maple Ave water main break and the condition of the street paving and if it will be returned to its previous condition. Ms. Nickels also inquired as to whose job it was to check to see if streetlights were working properly.

Mrs. Tammy Hardy of Croydon Acres presented an opportunity for the community to support her daughter in an effort to take a once in a lifetime trip to Africa by purchasing raffle tickets to fundraise the needed costs associated with the trip.

Ms. Cindy Murphy of Levittown wanted to share her kudos with Mr. McCauley's preparedness and Bristol Township Council's successes so far, and for not sitting back and accepting status quo and for not accepting, "This is how it has always been done" attitude. "Thanks for all of the improvements and Congratulations, ProTeam Democrats ... keep going", stated Ms. Murphy.

Mr. Wayne Zimmerman of Mill Creek Section spoke of problems and issues he has had with his neighbors and asked for assistance in getting problem rectified peacefully.

Mr. Gallus Obert inquired about the Queen Anne Drive Speed Bump status and of the lights in the parks at Crabtree and Stonybrook. Mr. Obert also inquired about elaborating on the Jake Brake

Ordinance previously discussed at prior meetings and the continuation of repair to a sinkhole that was on Palmer Lane.

Ms. Barbara Bill requested that the paved roads that were completed previously be available online for residents to view along with the proposed roads to be completed this year. Ms. Bill inquired to as if there was ever a speed sign allocated to the Queen Anne Drive speeding issue.

Mr. Wes Rexler complimented Township Manager McCauley, stating "You done a good job, Bill!" Mr. Rexler inquired as to if the street lights previously taken down were put back up and what the status of Knights Collision was on the snowplowing list. Mr. Rexler stated, "The ProTeam has done a lot to get the finances under control and that is an accomplishment and that is a real good thing!"

Motion by Ms. Longhitano and seconded by Mr. Glasson to adjourn.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker being absent.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:43pm.

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Respectfully submitted,
Tammy L. Hardy, Township Secretary