# BOROUGH OF WEST CONSHOHOCKEN COUNCIL MEETING

January 10, 2023 7:00 PM

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Open Public Meeting Agenda/Sunshine Act" public notice was provided to the Times Herald Newspaper and posted on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall as required by law.

## - CALL TO ORDER

Stephen Blumenthal, Council President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## OPENING COMMENTS/ANNOUCEMENTS FROM COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mr. Blumenthal indicated that there will be an executive session and will return

#### ROLL CALL

Tori Conicello-Emery Presen Jeff Ewing Absent Kelly Snizavich Presen Danelle Fournier, Mayor Presen Zachary Nelson Presen Michael F. English, Borough Manager Presen	Stephen Blumenthal, President	Present
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Michael F. English, Borough Manager Presen	Danelle Fournier, Mayor	Present
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John Iannozzi, Borough Solicitor Presen	Michael F. English, Borough Manager	Present
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Khal Hassan, Borough Engineer Presen	Khal Hassan, Borough Engineer	Present

#### APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Stephen Blumenthal asked for a motion to approve the Amended Consent Agenda

Motioned by: Kelly Snizavich Seconded by Tori Conicello-Emery

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes: 5-0

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE AGENDA

None

#### INTERVIEWS TO FILL COUNCIL OPEN SEAT

Mr. Blumenthal discussed the procedure of interviews. Mr. Blumenthal asked the candidates if there were any questions, and no questions were presented. Candidates were called in alphabetical order starting with Robert Beckett, followed by Maxine Denker who was present via telephone, followed by David Frankenfield, Amelia Gale and Walter Gleba who were present at the Council Meeting.

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Tori Conicello-Emery made a motion to open nominations and seconded by Tara Gorney and the motion passed 5-0. Tori Conicello-Emery nominated Amelia Gale for council seat. Stephen Blumenthal nominated Maxine Denker. No other nominations were made. Tara Gorney made motion to close nominations and seconded by Kelly Snizavich. The motion to close nomination passes 5-0. A roll call vote was made where Zachary Nelson, Kelly Snizavich, Tori Conicello-Emery and Tara Gorney in favor of Amelia Gale and Stephen Blumenthal in favor of Maxine Denker. By majority vote Amelia Gale was selected.

Mr. Blumenthal asked for a motion to Adopt Resolution 2023-01 appointing Amelia Gale to fill Council Member Jose Gonzalez's vacancy on Borough Council.

Motioned by: Tara Gorney Seconded by: Zachary Nelson

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes: 5-0

Amelia Gale was sworn in and took council member seat.

#### APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Mr. Blumenthal indicated that the bills for this month were a total of \$436,569.53 and Mr. Blumenthal asked for a motion to approve the bills.

Motioned by: Tara Gorney Seconded by: Kelly Snizavich

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes: 6-0

#### APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Blumenthal indicated that the grand total is \$14,695,214.01 with a difference of \$154,504.17. Mr. Blumenthal asked for a motion to approve the financial report.

Motioned by: Kelly Snizavich Seconded by: Zachary Nelson

All in favor: No - Amelia Gale abstained

The motion passes: 5-1

#### APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Blumenthal asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda and reports

Motioned by: Kelly Snizavich

Seconded by: Tori Conicello-Emery All in favor: No- Amelia Gale abstained

The motion passes: 5-0-1

#### PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

A. Mr. English wanted to thank the Rec Council holiday events. Mr. English wanted to address the pole replacements along certain roads and loss of power.

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- B. John Iannozzi, Esq had nothing to report at this time.
- C. Mr. Khal Hassan indicated that his report is in the packet. Mr. Hassan wanted to address at the last Council meeting a resident had complained about the truck breaking along Front Street. PennDOT has approved a request for signage and a resolution to be presented to Council at the next meeting. Mr. Blumenthal asked Mr. English to contact the resident to notify him of the update.
- D. Fire Marshal Review of the NFPA 1720 Analysis- Kelli Scarlett, Fire Marshal was present and provided copies and summarized the 1720 Analysis which is a standard practice report for fire company which itemizes response time, training, safety. Mr Blumenthal discussed priorities with the Fire Marshal. Kelli Scarlett also discussed the free CPR event which will be held on February 14, 2023

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Motion to adopt Resolution 2023-02 appointed Ed Pluciennik to the Uniform Construction Code Appeals Board of West Conshohocken Borough.

Motioned by: Tori Conicello-Emery Seconded by: Kelly Snizavich

All in favor: Amelia Gale Abstained

The motion passes:5-0-1

2. Motion to approve a four-year collective bargaining agreement between the Borough of West Conshohocken and American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, District Council 88 effective January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2026;

Motioned by: Kelly Snizavich Seconded by: Zachary Nelson

All in favor: Amelia Gale abstained

The motion passes:5-0-1

3. Motion to authorize the Borough to invest the available money market funds currently with Truist Investment Services with Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust PLGIT.

Motioned by: Kelly Snizavich Seconded by: Tori Conicello-Emery

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes: 6-0

4. Motion to Adopt Resolution 2023-03 declaring the Boroughs intent to follow the schedules and procedures for disposal of records as set forth in the Municipal records manual approved on December 18, 2008.

Guy Davis, resident questioned previous years of minutes to which Mr. English indicated that Council Meeting Minute Books are stored at Borough Hall

Motioned by: Tara Gorney

Seconded by: Tori Conicello-Emery

All in favor: Yes
The motion passes:6-0

5. Motion to authorize the Borough Manager to develop a full proposal, including job description for a part time Assistant Manager.

Motioned by: Tara Gorney Seconded by: Kelly Snizavich

All in favor: Yes
The motion passes: 6-0

## GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Guy Davis, resident, asked that the part-time Borough Manager does not change to full time without going to Council. Mr. Davis indicated that the nomination and voting process was done correctly for Amelia Gales.

Mr. Blumenthal wanted to inform public that committees will be consolidated and will announce new members. Public Safety, Parking and Traffic Committee, Kelly Snizavich, Zachary and Amelia Gale. Open Space, Parks and Recreation chaired by Tara Gorney, Tori Conicello-Emery and Zachary Nelson. Finance, Personnel and Pension Committee, chaired by Jeffrey Ewing, Tara Gorney and Kelly Snizavich. New Committee assignments and meeting schedules will ben posted on the Borough website.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

An executive session took place at 8:52pm and returned at 9:04pm

Mr. Blumenthal asked for a motion to approve the executive session discussion. Kelly Snizavich proposed a 4.25% employee salary increase for 2023.

Motioned by: Kelly Snizavich

Seconded by: Tori Conicello-Emery

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes: 6-0

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Stephen Blumenthal asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 pm

Motioned by: Tori Conicello-Emery

Seconded by: Amelia Gale

All in favor: Yes

The motion passes:6-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Cristina Meade Borough Secretary