

**Clifton Heights Borough Council
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 19, 2013**

Present:

Anthony Casadei, Council President
Mike Humphreys, Councilman
Leona Papale, Councilwoman
Karen Peterson, Councilwoman
Harris Resnick, Councilman
Jane Tumolo, Councilwoman

Absent:

Edward Martin, Council Vice President
Betsy Berry, Councilwoman

Others Present:

Joseph T. Kelly, Mayor
J.P. Kelly, Engineer
Timothy Rockenbach, Chief of Police
Tony Tartaglia, Borough Manager/Code

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer Led Mayor Kelly

Public Comment:

Richard DePompeo, 224 E. Broadway Ave., expressed concerns with the conditions of properties in the area. He provided pictures to Councilmembers.

Robin DiCrezeno, 401 N. Oak Ave., asked for Council's assistance in resolving a code issue with her fence. She has a dog and would like to add a fence around her corner property but cannot add a fence to because of a retaining wall that causes it to exceed the height restrictions.

Mayor Kelly explained the procedures that she needed to go through with the Zoning Board and explained that they are a separate entity from the Council and they create the rules that they are bound to follow.

Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Papale to accept the October meeting minutes as presented; seconded by Councilwoman Tumolo; and carried unanimously by a roll call vote of 6-0. (Resnick – yes, Humphreys – yes, Peterson – yes, Tumolo – yes, Papale – yes, Casadei – yes.)

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Kelly announced that the tree lighting would be taking place on Sunday, December 8th at 6pm.

He thanked the Police Department for a job well done during Halloween. He also wished everyone a happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

Police Report:

A motion was made by Councilman Humphreys to accept the Police Report as presented; seconded by Councilwoman Peterson; and carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0.

Fire Report:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Papale to accept the Fire Report as presented; seconded by Councilwoman Tumolo; and carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0.

Code Enforcement Report:

A motion was made by Councilman Humphreys to approve the code enforcement report as presented; seconded by Councilwoman Peterson; and carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0.

Treasurer's Report/Bill List:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Papale to accept the treasurer's report and pay the bills; seconded by Councilwoman Tumolo; and carried unanimously by a roll call vote of 6-0. (Resnick – yes, Humphreys – yes, Peterson – yes, Tumolo –yes, Papale – yes, Casadei – yes.)

Manager's Report:

A motion was made by Councilman Humphreys to authorize the Borough Manager and Borough Solicitor to finish the Local 835 negotiations; seconded by Councilman Resnick; and carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0.

A motion was made by Councilman Resnick to authorize the Borough Manager and Borough Financial Manager to proceed with the 2014 Tax Anticipation Note preparation; seconded by Councilwoman Peterson; and carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0.

A motion was made by Councilman Humphreys to approve the 2014 budget; seconded by Councilwoman Papale; and carried unanimously by a roll call vote of 6-0. (Resnick – yes, Humphreys – yes, Peterson – yes, Tumolo – yes, Papale – yes, Casadei – yes.)

Engineer's Report:

A motion was made by Councilman Resnick to approve the snow removal contract to A to U Services for the amount of \$312/hour for all the necessary equipment as outlined; seconded by Councilman Humphreys; and carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0.

He said that there is an option to renew for year two and year three at the same price at the end of the contract.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Papale to authorize the engineer to prepare the CDBG applications for CDBG funds; seconded by Councilwoman Peterson; and carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Kelly said that they were moving forward with the MS4 application and would be completing outfall testing.

A motion was made by Councilman Humphreys to authorize the creation of a base, cleaning of the cornerstone, movement & setting of the high school cornerstone for an amount not to exceed \$7,000; seconded by Councilwoman Papale; and carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Kelly said that he would be accepting ideas for the war memorial that they would like to erect at the meditative park.

A motion was made by Councilman Humphreys to accept the Engineer's report; seconded by Councilwoman Papale; and carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

Solicitor's Report:

Mr. Catania was not present.

Old Business:

No old business.

New Business:

Councilwoman Tumolo asked if the Zoning Board ever allowed installment payments.

Ward Reports:

First Ward:

Councilman Resnick announced that the Boys Scouts had a record breaking food collection drive. He thanked everyone for their support.

Councilwoman Papale asked for a sign for Gillespie Park that says that Dogs are not allowed.

Second Ward:

Councilman Humphreys thanked the Police Department for a job well done on Halloween.

Third Ward:

Councilman Casadei wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Fourth Ward:

Councilwoman Peterson and Councilwoman Tumolo wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Closing Public Comment:

No closing public comment.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Councilman Resnick to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Humphreys; and carried unanimously by a vote of 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly A. Duffy

Clifton Heights Borough Secretary