

**Clifton Heights Borough Council
Meeting Minutes
October 20, 2015**

Present:

Anthony Casadei, Council President
Edward Martin, Council Vice President
Betsy Berry, Councilwoman
Mike Humphreys, Councilman
Leona Papale, Councilwoman
Karen Peterson, Councilwoman
Harris Resnick, Councilman

Absent:

Jane Tumolo, Councilwoman

Others Present:

Joseph T. Kelly, Mayor
Frank Catania, Solicitor
J.P. Kelly, Engineer
Cynthia Leitzell, Treasurer
Timothy Rockenbach, Chief of Police
Tony Tartaglia, Borough Manager/Code

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer Led by Mayor Kelly

Presentation:

DCI Products, located at Penn St. & Jefferson Ave., presented the Clifton Heights Police Department with a check for \$2,500 to help support the bulletproof vest fund to ensure the safety of all officers and in appreciation for the great job that they do.

Mayor Kelly thanked the owners on behalf of the Council and the Police Department.

Chief Rockenbach explained that the donation would help offset the cost of 4 bulletproof vests that keep their officers safe. He said that it was with the help of donations from businesses like DCI Products and private citizens that they were able to purchase \$10,000 in vests.

The owners said that they were heavily impacted by the road closure on Springfield Rd., and they saw the extra effort that the Police Department put forth when faced with that situation, and they wanted to show their appreciation for the hard work of the department.

Public Comment:

Alana Reardon, 406 N. Springfield Rd., said that she wanted to support the activities of Pennsylvanians for Life. She said that she had tickets for sale for a chance to win a trip to Ireland to support the educational arm of the Pro-Life movement. She said that they are in support of the Republican candidates for the PA Supreme Court. She thanked L&I & the Police Department for working on the lighting issues and the bad neighbor/tenant issues that she has been dealing with for months.

Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Councilman Martin to accept the September meeting minutes as presented; seconded by Councilwoman Papale; and carried unanimously by a roll call vote of 7-0. (Resnick – yes, Humphreys – yes, Berry – yes, Martin – yes, Peterson – yes, Papale – yes, Casadei – yes.)

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Kelly thanked all of the residents who turned out to support the Police Rally. He said that there were signs available for residents that were purchased by the Police Department to show support for the job that they do.

Mayor Kelly reminded residents that the Clifton Heights Boys Club would be hosting their Homecoming festivities this weekend. He thanked those who support the very successful organizations in the Borough.

Mayor Kelly said that the Fire Department Open House was a great and successful event, as always.

A motion was made by Councilman Martin to accept the Mayor's Report as presented; seconded by Councilwoman Berry; and carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

Police Report:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Papale to accept the Police Report as presented; seconded by Councilman Martin; and carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

Fire Report:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Berry to accept the Fire Report as presented; seconded by Councilwoman Papale; and carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

Treasurer's Report/Bill List:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Berry to accept the treasurer's report and pay the bills; seconded by Councilwoman Peterson; and carried unanimously by a roll call vote of 7-0. (Resnick – yes, Humphreys – yes, Berry – yes, Martin – yes, Peterson – yes, Papale – yes, Casadei – yes.)

Manager's Report:

Mr. Tartaglia said that he had nothing further from Caucus.

Engineer's Report:

J.P. Kelly presented the Engineer's report.

Mr. Kelly said that the Road Program was completed, with the exception of the line striping. He said that Council had previously authorized payment, so the invoices would be processed accordingly once the striping is completed.

Mr. Kelly said that the site work stake out of the Highway Department Garage was started today, with the expectation of the contractor commencing site work within two weeks. They are expecting various quotes for a pre-fab steel building within a week.

Mr. Kelly said that the contract documents for the 2015 CDBG had been completed and advertised for bidding. The bidding opening date was scheduled for November 17th.

A motion was made by Councilman Martin to accept the Engineer's Report as presented; seconded by Councilwoman Berry; and carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

Solicitor's Report:

Mr. Catania presented the Solicitor's report.

Administrative Actions:

Mr. Catania announced that the Borough would be doing the formal adoption of Ordinance 846, the Floodplain Ordinance. He said that it had been properly advertised and had been provided to the Delaware County Law Library. He said that there was a Public Hearing advertised for 7:15 this evening. And there was no public comment received at that hearing, and the Engineer provided a summary of the prohibitions of the Ordinance.

A motion was made by Councilman Martin to adopt Ordinance 846, the new Floodplain Ordinance, as presented; seconded by Councilwoman Berry; and carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

A motion was made by Councilman Martin to approve the reverse subdivision at 26 N. Oak Ave., combining two lots into one lot, according to the plan that has been filed with the Borough; seconded by Councilwoman Berry; and carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

Mr. Catania announced that they had received an application for an inter-municipal liquor license transfer. He said that they would have to hold a public hearing.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Berry to authorize the Solicitor to advertise the public hearing for the inter-municipal liquor license transfer; seconded by Councilwoman Papale; and carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

A motion was made by Councilman Martin to accept the Solicitor's report as presented; seconded by Councilwoman Berry; and carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

Old Business:

No old business.

New Business:

No new business.

Ward Reports:

Councilman Resnick had nothing to report.

Councilwoman Papale reminded residents to be careful on Halloween in a few short weeks.

Mayor Kelly reminded residents that trick or treating is from 6pm to 8pm.

Councilman Humphreys had nothing to report.

Councilwoman Berry reminded residents to keep their outside lights on on the night before Halloween. She also reminded residents that all trash is required to be in a can with a lid and placed at the curb no earlier than 6pm the evening before pickup is scheduled.

Councilman Martin had nothing to report.

President Casadei had nothing to report.

Councilwoman Peterson had nothing to report.

Closing Public Comment:

None.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Councilman Martin to adjourn; seconded by Councilwoman Peterson; and carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly A. Duffy
Clifton Heights Borough Secretary