

**Borough of South Coatesville
Council Meeting Minutes
February 26, 2019**

Present: Councilors Sylvia Washington, Montez Jones, Council President Renee Carey, Council Vice President Craig Morris, Councilors Barbara Newsuan, Cheri Hinson (via Telephone left the meeting at 8:45) and Mayor John D. Long. **Absent:** Councilor Kenneth Bond

Prayer: Prayer was led by Rev. Milton Baxter Sr.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Swearing In: Mayor John D. Long swore in Council appointee Montez Jones; after taking the oath of office Councilor Jones took his place on the board.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

Amendment to the agenda: A motion was received from Councilor Craig Morris to amend the agenda to add under new business items F: Employment Action; G: Job Description for Borough Manager; H: Letter of Employment. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sylvia Washington. Ayes All

Announcement: Council President Renee Carey announced that an Executive Session was held at 5:30 pm prior to the start of tonight's meeting.

Businesses to Address Council: Gino Razzi owner of Penn's Woods Winery was present with his attorney winery manager to present a concept for the development of the former Woodward property into a vineyard with a tasting room. They gave details about the hours of operation which would not extend past 10 pm, and the estimated number of employees that will work at the site. There was brief discussion regarding the need to amend the Ordinance for the R1 zoning district to allow for the agricultural vineyard use.

Motion: A motion was received from Council VP Craig Morris to forward the draft Ordinance amending the R1 agriculture use. The motion was seconded by Councilor Renee Carey. Ayes All

Mike Fuller President Keystone Lighting Solutions: Mr. Fuller was selected and the design Professional for the DVRPC Street Lighting Program. He is present to provide Council with the findings of the feasibility study which will provide information to allow Council to make an informed decision about proceeding to the next phase of the project which would be an investment grade audit. The first phase was paid for entirely by DVRPC. If Council decides to proceed to the next phase a Resolution would need to be passed and the necessary contracts would need to be signed.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was received form Council VP Craig Morris to approve the minutes from the January 22, 2019 meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Barbara Newsuan. Ayes All.

Note: There are no minutes from February 12, 2019 due to the meeting being canceled because of inclement weather.

Treasurer's Report: A motion was received from Councilor Sylvia Washington to approve the Treasurer's Report reflecting the following balances: General Fund: \$598,263.53; Sewer Fund: \$935,080.74 and Highway Fund: \$102,131.11. The motion was seconded by Councilor Barbara Newsuan. Ayes All.

Approval of Bills: A motion was received from Councilor Sylvia Washington to approve payment of General Fund and Sewer Fund Bills. The motion was seconded by Councilor Barbara Newsuan. Ayes All.

Municibid: A motion was received from Council VP Craig Morris to place items for sale on Municibid per the list provided. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sylvia Washington. Ayes All.

Street Lighting Repair Vendor: Tabled

Parking on Parkway Ave: A motion was received from Councilor Craig Morris to approve the parking plan provided by Habitat for Humanity that designates parking for three properties and to authorize Habitat for Humanity to paint lines and house numbers designating which home the parking is designated for. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sylvia Washington. Ayes All.

Lukens Pump Station: A motion was received from Council VP Craig Morris to ratify the purchase of a Myers Pump for the Lukens Pump Station at a cost of \$8665.00 plus freight. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sylvia Washington. Ayes All.

Tables and Chairs: A motion was received from Council VP Craig Morris to approve the purchase of two tables and four chairs for the Council Chambers not to exceed \$640.00. The motion was seconded by Councilor Barbara Newsuan. Ayes All.

Central Chester County Recycle Authority Agreement: A motion was received from Council VP Craig Morris to approve signing the agreement with the Central Chester County Recycle Authority through December 31, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilor Montez Jones. Ayes: Councilor Montez Jones, Council President Renee Carey, Council VP Craig Morris, Councilors Barbara Newsuan, Councilor Cherie Hinson. Opposed: Councilor Sylvia Washington

Employment Action: A motion was received from Council VP Craig Morris to terminate Todd Olin effective immediately. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sylvia Washington. Ayes All.

Manager Job Description: A motion was received from Council VP Craig Morris to approve Resolution 2019-01 adopting the Borough Manager Job Description incorporated as exhibit A. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sylvia Washington. Ayes All.

Conditional Offer of Employment: A motion was received from Council VP Craig Morris to make a conditional offer of employment to Ramsey Reiner with a salary of \$62,000.00 per year plus benefits. The motion was seconded by Councilor Sylvia Washington. Ayes All.

Reports

Police: Chief Pierce reported that January was a rather quiet month. However, there were two DUI's but other than that things were quiet. The Body Cameras are in and will not be put into use until he has

a polity in place. One of the radar signs is not working and has been sent back for the second time. He advised Council that he will not be at the March or April meetings because he will be teaching.

Public Works: Council VP Craig Morris reported that there are free LTAP classes that public works would like to attend. One coming up soon is on Street Sign Standards and is being presented in Caln Township. There was discussion about a computer for public works.

Citizens Comments

Trish Milanese – Overhill Road – Mrs. Milanese welcomed Councilor Jones and thanked Council for hiring a manager. She stated that there was an intense boom coming from the scrap yard the other night. Others acknowledged hearing and feeling the boom.

Council Comments

Mayor John D. Long Jr.: None comments

Councilor Barbara Newsuan: Councilor Newsuan would like to meet and discuss ideas for recreation.


Council VP Craig Morris: Council VP Morris referred to the WWTP Operators report and inquired about the status of the decant actuator Mr. Garnett referred to in his report. Since no cost was provided for the replacement actuator no action was taken.

Councilor Montez Jones: Councilor Jones stated it was good to be here and thanked everyone for their patience.

Councilor Sylvia Washington: Councilor Washington distributed a written request to Council from a property owner requesting relief from trash fees for a property that has been vacant. She also distributed information on the Agility Agreement. Council took no official action related to waiving the trash fee for the property owner.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Stephanie Duncan
Secretary to Council