

Council Meeting
July 11, 2017
Chancellor Center

President of Council Robert Walker called the regular semi-monthly meeting of Newtown Borough Council to order at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, July 11, 2017. Mr. Walker asked those in attendance to join him in a moment of silence. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Councilors Walker, Gusty, King, McDermott and Rodowicz; Mayor Swartz and Solicitor Bolla. Absent: Councilor Grunde-McLaughlin

Amendments to the Agenda

None

Public to be Heard

David Bryk, Resident, questioned the five dollar surcharge imposed by the Newtown Sewer Authority on residents not signing up for online payments, sharing his concern for elderly people who don't have computers. Councilor Gusty responded that, although the online option has been available for some time, the response rate has been low; the surcharge notification has resulted in a significant increase in people signing up online. Councilor Gusty stated that 15-20 people have contacted Warren Gormley at the Newtown Sewer Authority, objecting to this surcharge, and all have been accommodated.

David Bryk also commented on the selection process for the new Chief of Police and expressed his desire that experience be strongly considered. He noted the robberies that have taken place in Newtown Borough and Township in recent times as well as the ongoing investigation to find four young men who have gone missing. Mr. Bryk questioned why the new Police Chief would be required to have a college degree if they have a lifetime of experience doing police work. He shared his experience in the military and noted that many colleagues were promoted based on merit rather than their level of education.

Mr. Bryk spoke highly of Newtown Borough having its own police force and advocated that, since the Police Chief earns a significant salary, he or she should be able to afford living in Newtown Borough after a certain period of time; the Chief should take an active part in our community and take continuing education classes. President Walker reported that all Police Officers, including the Chief of Police, are required to take continuing education classes.

Julia Woldorf, Resident, made a save the date request for volunteers to plant the west bank of the Newtown Creek at Newtown Common on Saturday, October 21, 2017. This project is being funded by the \$3,300 TreeVitalize Grant awarded to Newtown Borough

in February 2017. All are invited to participate in this effort which earns MS4 points; food will be provided.

Ms. Woldorf reported that construction is planned for the Spring and Summer of 2018. The permit application has been filed and approved by the Bucks County Conservation District (BCCD), and the permit application to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is pending. Upon DEP's approval, construction documents will be sent for review to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) which provided the funds for this project.

Becky Betz, Owner of Becky's Deli and Newtown Mercantile Group (NMG) Member, requested approval for banners and signs to advertise Newtown Restaurant Week. Ms. Betz asked if this approval process could be streamlined since the NMG plans to host another Restaurant Week in October; President Walker suggested that Ms. Betz meet with Mayor Swartz regarding her latter request.

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor Rodowicz, seconded by Councilor King, and carried unanimously, to approve the advertisement of Newtown Restaurant Week from July 23-27, 2017, using the same banners and signs that have been used in the past.

Joe Lovi, Resident, stated his belief that the selection of a new Police Chief is one of the most important public decisions that a community can make, and asked what the process is. President Walker reported that the Borough is receiving applications over a two-month period, and the applications are being recorded in the order that they're received. The Police Committee, comprised of Chief Wojciechowski, Mayor Swartz, and President Walker, will initially screen the applicants and then review the remaining candidates with Borough Council; Council will then decide which applicants to interview. Regarding Mr. Lovi's question about current Newtown Borough Police Department (NBPD) Officers applying, President Walker stated that any Officers will be considered if they apply for the position. Mr. Lovi expressed his preference for a NBPD Officer to be promoted from within to the position of Police Chief. In response to Mr. Lovi's question, President Walker stated that Chief Wojciechowski will not be voting for his successor. Mr. Lovi asked if residents would be permitted to ask questions of the candidates applying for the Police Chief position. President Walker did not believe so and stated that he did not want this selection process to become a popularity contest, noting that job qualifications have been stated, resumes and salary requirements have been requested from the applicants, and the Borough has a Police Chief with numerous years of experience in law enforcement who can assist Council in the selection process. Mr. Lovi claimed that Borough Council members won a popularity contest by being elected, and stated that the selection of a Police Chief should also receive input from the community.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Swartz requested to approve the recommendation from Chief Anthony C. Wojciechowski to hire Frank Anger as a non-civil service Police Officer. Frank Anger is 28 years old, single, and is a resident of Philadelphia, PA. Mr. Anger attended Frankford High School in Philadelphia, PA where he graduated in 2006. Mr. Anger was in the United States Marine Corps from 2006 – 2010. Mr. Anger received his Act 120 training at Temple University where he graduated in February 2016.

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor Gusty, seconded by Councilor McDermott, and carried unanimously, to approve the recommendation from Chief Anthony C. Wojciechowski to hire Frank Anger as a non-civil service Police Officer effective July 12, 2017 at an effective rate of \$18.50 per hour.

Mayor Swartz requested to approve the recommendation from Chief Anthony C. Wojciechowski to hire Kevin Green as a non-civil service Police Officer. Kevin Green is 22 years old, single, and is a resident of Erdenheim, PA. Mr. Green attended William Tennant High School in Warminster, PA where he graduated in 2013. Mr. Green is employed at Arcadia University as a landscaper. Mr. Green received his Act 120 training at the MCCC Municipal Police Academy where he graduated in March 2016.

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor McDermott, seconded by Councilor Rodowicz, and carried unanimously, to approve the recommendation from Chief Anthony C. Wojciechowski to hire Kevin Green as a non-civil service Police Officer effective July 12, 2017 at an effective rate is \$18.50 per hour.

Mayor Swartz reported that the Newtown Borough Police Department is still short of a few Part-time Officers.

Mayor Swartz reported that he attended Dylan Dolan's Court of Honor on June 17, 2017, and read a Proclamation recognizing his rank as Eagle Scout. Mayor Swartz encouraged everyone to retire their worn out American flags in the collection bin located in Newtown Borough Hall, which was Dylan's Eagle Scout project.

Dave Clark, Troop 29 Leader, acknowledged the good works of Eagle Scouts and commended the community and Borough Council for approving their projects. Mr. Clark presented Mayor Swartz, former member of Troop 29, with a special coin.

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor Rodowicz, seconded by Councilor King, and carried unanimously, to approve a religious holiday celebration that includes walking through three streets on October 12, 2017 from 8:00 – 9:15 P.M., sponsored by Lubavitch of Bucks County.

Special Event Applications:

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor Rodowicz, seconded by Councilor King, and carried unanimously, to approve a religious holiday celebration that includes walking through three streets on October 12, 2017 from 8:00 – 9:15 P.M., sponsored by Lubavitch of Bucks County.
- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor Rodowicz, seconded by Councilor McDermott, and carried unanimously, to approve the grand opening of Every Home Realtors in the Whitehall Parking Lot, located at 127 S. State Street, on September 30, 2017 from 3:00 – 7:00 P.M. Rain date is October 1, 2017.
- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor McDermott, seconded by Councilor King, and carried unanimously, to approve the volunteer planting of the west bank of Newtown Creek in Newtown Common, funded by the TreeVitalize Grant, on October 21, 2017 from 8:30 A.M – 2:00 P.M. Rain date is October 28, 2017.

Special Event Reminders:

Movies in the Park beginning at dusk, Linton Memorial Park, sponsored by Recreation Board - MOANA on July 12, 2017, ROGUE ONE on July 19, 2017, PETS on July 26, 2017, and School of Rock on August 2, 2017.

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor Gusty, seconded by Councilor Rodowicz, and carried unanimously, to authorize a donation of \$300 to the Bucks County Tour of Honor towards annual trips to Washington, DC for Korean War, World War II, and Vietnam War veterans.

In response to Councilor Gusty's question regarding whether this amount remains the same each year and if it should become an annual budget item, President Walker reported that the money currently comes from the Mayor's discretionary budget.

Mayor Swartz reported that this is the 50th anniversary of the beginning of the Vietnam War; Vietnam War Veterans are now included in the Bucks County Tour of Honor going forward.

President's Report – Robert Walker

President Walker reported that the 2018 Budget Schedule is approaching, and advised Council to consider budget needs for their various committees. The discussion will begin at the September 6, 2017 Work Session with a final review by Council on November 14, 2017. Budget approval will take place at the Council Meeting on December 12, 2017.

Engineer's Report – Mario Canales

Mr. Canales reported that remaining work on the Centre Avenue project has been completed on time, so the Maintenance Bond can be allowed to expire.

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor McDermott, seconded by Councilor Gusty, and carried unanimously, to approve Escrow Release No. 9 for Steeple View Phase I, in the amount of \$20,282.00.
- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor King, seconded by Councilor Rodowicz, and carried unanimously, to approve the payment of \$15,748.63 to GoreCon, Inc. for the Barclay Street Resurfacing Project.

Mr. Canales presented a draft copy of the Pollution Reduction Plan (PRP); the Borough needs to submit it with a notice of intent, along with the 2018 MS4 Permit Renewal. The PRP's structure is based on the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) requirements, including all of its components which require a public participation period. Advertising of the PRP, allowing 30 days of public comment, will begin on July 24, 2017 and the public can share comments at the August 8, 2017 Council Meeting. The PRP will be presented to the public, comments will be addressed, and any needed modifications will be made to the Plan. Mr. Canales noted that a copy of the Plan will be available at both Borough Hall and on the Borough website. Maps were displayed at the meeting and have also been shared with Council as part of the Plan. Mr. Canales reported that pollutants of concern are sediment and nutrients; Newtown Borough will need to reduce its sediment load by 10% and the nutrient load by 5%, noting that DEP states that a 10% reduction in sediment will automatically reduce nutrients by 5%. Engineer Canales described in detail how baseline loads were established. Based on calculations provided by DEP, Mr. Canales stated that the Borough's sediment load is calculated at 286,000 pounds per year which results in the need to reduce sediment by 29,000 pounds. Best management practices (BMPs) must be selected to achieve this reduction. Mr. Canales, while working with RETTEW Consultants, found three projects that could be applied for this purpose. One project, already in progress, is the Newtown Common Bank Stabilization Project which would reduce sediment by 4,500 pounds. Another potential project, on private property, is a swale at the end of Frost Lane which takes water from the road to the creek; it would provide approximately 2,200 pounds of sediment reduction. Mr. Canales, noting that the Borough would be short 22,000 pounds in reduction of sediment, pointed out the open space at Newtown Station where Old Skunky ends. The Engineer proposed modifying this area, by extending the detention basin and putting in amended soils and different types of plantings, to achieve a reduction of nearly 34,000 pounds. This project alone would take care of the Borough's requirements for the next five years of the MS4 Permit. Mr. Canales noted that this is private property, requiring Council to work with the Newtown Station Homeowners' Association (NSHA).

Mr. Canales reported that DEP will not give credit for reducing sediments that exceed the required amount, so it may be advisable to do less than the maximum work at Newtown Station. DEP also requires that municipalities identify the funding mechanisms for completing this work over the next 5 years, and states that municipalities cannot get exempt from compliance due to lacking the necessary funds.

Engineer Canales reported that identifying the ongoing operation and maintenance of these projects is another component of the Plan.

In response to President Walker's inquiry about the cost of the project at Newtown Station, Mr. Canales stated that a cost estimate has not been completed yet; Mr. Canales reported that approximately \$25,000 has been spent to date. Engineer Canales stated that everything that has been done over the past 10 years will continue, and the pollution reduction measures are now being added to the requirements and increasing costs. Mr. Walker stated that it would cost \$200,000 - \$300,000 for the work at Newtown Common. Mr. Canales stated that the Borough has five years to complete these projects; if a chosen project lies on private property as it does in Newtown Station, the cost of the work would have to be negotiated and agreed upon by Newtown Borough and the property owner. Mr. Walker expressed his concern about writing checks for private property improvements. Mr. Canales reported that the Borough doesn't own enough property to meet the MS4 requirements without working on private property. President Walker asked Solicitor Bolla to take a close look at the Newtown Station agreement.

In response to Mr. Walker's question about Steeple View, Mr. Canales stated that nothing in the current Steeple View project meets PRP requirements but that could be negotiated. Engineer Canales reported that the PRP needs to be advertised by the end of July and changes can be made following the advertising.

In response to Councilor Rodowicz's question, Mr. Canales stated that stream bank stabilization is much more costly at \$1 million per mile as compared to the work required to retrofit a detention basin. Responding to Councilor McDermott, Engineer Canales described the work that could be done at Newtown Station. Councilor King noted that work along Old Skunky would unfortunately require cutting into several landowners' personal property; he reported that pollution reduction measures could be incorporated into future land development plans.

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor King, seconded by Councilor McDermott, and carried unanimously, to authorize the advertisement of the PRP, allowing the public 30 days to comment on the Plan and attend a public meeting where verbal comments will be received.

Certificates of Appropriateness – Robert King

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor King, seconded by Councilor Gusty, and carried unanimously, to follow the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board and direct President of Council to sign the following Certificates of Appropriateness, thereby approving the historical appropriateness of the application, with final approval by the Code Enforcement Officer.

COA 2017-14, Applicant: Richard Walker, Architect, 41 Greene Street, DeLuca residence

The applicant was seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for renovations to the home.

It was noted that the application was tabled at the April HARB meeting for revisions, and the change to the pitch of the roof and alignment of the two gutter lines to match had been incorporated into the revised plans.

HARB recommended the approval of the application, as presented in the revised plans.

COA 2017-17, Applicant: Ralph Curtis Fey, Architect, 204 Penn Street, Korda residence

The applicant was seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of a garage addition and link on the west side of the building.

Changes in the revised plans were noted: the dormers were raised slightly, the roofs over the porch and garage will be copper, the porch ceiling will be bead board, HardiePlank will be smooth, and windows will be aluminum clad.

HARB recommended the approval of the application, as presented in the revised plans dated 6/26/17.

COA 2017-22, Applicants: Paul & Jennie Schottmiller, 203 East Washington Avenue, residence

The applicant was seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for the replacement of a wood picket fence with an iron fence.

HARB recommended the approval of the application, as presented.

COA 2017-23, Applicants: Paul & Jennie Schottmiller, 200 East Washington Avenue, residence

The applicant was seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for the replacement of a screen door.

HARB recommended the approval of the application, as presented in the cut sheets submitted on 6/28/17.

COA 2017-24, Applicants: Paul & Jennie Schottmiller, 200 East Washington Avenue, residence

The applicant was seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for installation of a wood picket fence.

HARB recommended the approval of the application, as presented.

COA 2017-25, Applicant: Grant Pitel, 232 S. Chancellor Street, residence

The applicant was seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for the replacement of existing wood windows and installation of a copper fireplace vent.

The applicant stated that the windows had lead paint and that their contractor would not remove all the lead on the windows; many of the windows were broken, sashes were cracked, Plexiglas had been installed over one window, and several of the windows were inoperable. The applicant submitted a revised application, indicating that they wished to replace the windows in the rear and would seal some of the windows on the front and side elevations.

It was stated by HARB that it is very messy to replace windows, and that HARB has been consistent in recommending repair rather than replacement, noting that it would also be less expensive. HARB offered to give the applicants contacts for window repair and refurbishing, including removal of lead paint.

HARB recommended the denial of the application for new windows, recommending that the existing windows be repaired and refurbished.

HARB approved the application for the installation of the fireplace vent.

COA 2017-26, Applicant: Ted Shatynsky, 115 N. State Street, residence

The applicant was seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of a fence on the side yards.

HARB recommended the approval of the application, as presented.

COA 2017-27, Applicant: Maryanne Bennett, 140 N. State Street, residence

The applicant was seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for renovations to the existing outbuilding for use as a garage.

HARB recommended approval of the application, as presented, noting that the garage door design will be the carriage door style shown under Product View on the cut sheet submitted in the application.

COA 2017-28, Applicant: Maureen Prater, 250 S. Chancellor Street, residence

The applicant was seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for the re-siding of a later 1970s garage and replacement of the existing garage door with a double garage door, and the addition of a front porch on the main house, which was removed in 1950.

HARB recommended the approval of the application, as presented, noting that the 1" x 1" porch spindles would be changed to 2" x 2"; the top porch rail would be 3½" x 3½", and the bottom porch rail would be 2" x 3 ½".

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor King, seconded by Councilor McDermott, and carried with Councilor Rodowicz recusing herself, to follow the recommendation of the Historic Architectural Review Board and direct President of Council to sign the following Certificates of Appropriateness, thereby approving the historical appropriateness of the application, with final approval by the Code Enforcement Officer.

COA 2017-21, Applicant: Bob Rodowicz, 135 Liberty Street, residence

The applicant was seeking a Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of a new barn.

It was noted that the Joint Historic Commission has approved the demolition of the existing barn, and that the new building will be built on the existing footprint, though with a different massing than the original structure; the Joint Historic Commission recommended salvaging and reusing some of the existing barn material in the new construction.

HARB recommended to concur with the Joint Historic Commission to approve the request for demolition of the existing barn, and recommended approval of the application, as presented.

In response to Mayor Swartz's question regarding the change to the stone wall at 121 N. State Street, Councilor King reported that a COA Application has been filed and will be reviewed at the next HARB meeting.

Presentation of Minutes

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor Gusty, seconded by Councilor Rodowicz, and carried unanimously, to approve the May 9, 2017 Council Meeting minutes.
- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor McDermott, seconded by Councilor Gusty, and carried unanimously, to approve the June 7, 2017 Work Session Meeting minutes.
- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor Rodowicz, seconded by Councilor McDermott, and carried unanimously, to approve the June 13, 2017 Council Meeting minutes.

Building Inspection, Zoning & Code Enforcement - Kevin McDermott

Councilor McDermott reported that PA State Bill SB 663 and HB 1469 would mandate that all municipalities employing an outside contractor to enforce the Uniform Construction Code could be required to hire an additional two contractors to perform these duties. Mr. McDermott described this potential requirement as an unfunded mandate since additional contractors would need to be vetted and monitored, resulting in additional costs to municipalities. He stated that it could also affect public safety with applicants shopping for easier approvals that aren't held to consistent, quality standards. Complaints about high fees and poor service in other parts of Pennsylvania

have led to the creation of the two Bills. President Walker spoke with State Representative Warren and reported that professional industry associations have responded in opposition to these Bills; Mr. Walker suggested monitoring the progress of these Bills and for Council to consider signing a Resolution, if needed.

Councilor McDermott summarized the progress to date regarding the move to adopt eCode360. President Walker suggested that additional legal expenses will be incurred to address any conflicts and inconsistencies in the Borough Code, which should be taken into account in future budgets.

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor McDermott, seconded by Councilor Gusty, and carried unanimously, to approve the purchase of General Code's eCode360 online platform, adding Zoning, Subdivision, and Stormwater Ordinances to the Code, and including an Editorial & Legal Analysis of the Code to identify and fix conflicts and inconsistencies within the Code as well as areas that no longer comply with state statutes, and authorize the first two payments in 2017 at a cost not to exceed \$7,054 with the project spanning 2 years at a total cost not to exceed \$17,635.

Councilor McDermott noted that there would be an annual maintenance fee of \$1,195.

In response to Mayor Swartz's question, Councilor McDermott reported that he, Councilor King, and Councilor Grunde-McLaughlin would be meeting with Zoning Officer, Mike Italia, to discuss the International Property Maintenance Code on July 26, 2017.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget & Finance – Robert Walker, Chris Gusty & Kevin McDermott

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor Gusty, seconded by Councilor King, and carried unanimously, to approve the Professional Services Invoices for May 2017.

Consolidated Report

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor Gusty, seconded by Councilor McDermott, and carried unanimously, to accept, subject to audit, the Consolidated Expenditure Report for the month of June totaling \$207,374.46.

Solicitor's Report – William Bolla

Solicitor Bolla reported on the Demolition Permit request for the carriage house on the Bird in Hand property, as part of a subdivision, and Councilor King's tabled motion from the June Council Meeting to provide conditional approval.

President Walker noted that the Planning Commission identified the demolition of the carriage house as a requirement for the subdivision land development. He shared his concern that this Council may be putting off a decision that could become problematic for a future Council to make. Solicitor Bolla responded that, if the motion is passed, the Preliminary Plan approval that he would issue will contain a requirement that changes a necessity for demolition, and makes note that a demolition can only occur after a Certificate of Appropriateness is issued for a new structure. President Walker noted that there is a conflict between the Joint Historic Commission's recommendation to keep the carriage house and HARB's position that the building is not historic; HARB made no recommendation to Council.

Councilor King reported on the Applicant's Attorney's request that, upon completion of the Planning Module and Final Plan Approval, the Borough would process the applications without unnecessary or unreasonable time delays. Solicitor Bolla had no issue with that request.

In response to Councilor Gusty's question, Solicitor Bolla stated that approval for demolition at this time would be consistent with the Plan that been filed. To vote otherwise, the Final Plan approval will contain a modification that will be recorded in the Courthouse and shared with the future buyer of Lot 2.

- ❖ A motion was duly made by Councilor King, seconded by Councilor Rodowicz, and carried with Councilor Walker opposing, to grant a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) number, to be determined once an application is submitted, to permit the demolition of the carriage house garage on the Bird in Hand property located at 111 S. State Street, conditioned upon the requirement that the owner cannot demolish the structure until a COA has been granted for a new structure to be erected on Lot 2.

Old Business - none

New Business

Councilor King suggested setting up a separate fund or budget item for Borough Council to use in its efforts to protect and preserve historic properties in the HARB District.

Public to be Heard

Mr. Joe Lovi, Resident, inquired about Borough Council hiring a new Police Chief by the end of this year, stating his preference for the decision to wait for the new Council to be sworn in. Mr. Lovi also questioned the length of time needed to train the new Chief. Mr. Lovi inquired why police activity and crime in Newtown Borough is not publicized by the NBPD. Mr. Lovi also requested that Council receive input from residents regarding the selection of a new Police Chief. Mr. Lovi expressed disappointment that, as a former EMS worker and Fireman who knows many police officers in Bucks County, he learns about police activity in Newtown Borough only from outside sources. Mr. Lovi also pointed out that police officers have been targeted since 9/11 and questioned whether

wearing bullet-proof vests is optional for them. President Walker responded that the NBPD must wear them; Mr. Lovi stated that one or more NBPD officers does not wear a vest and suggested that it puts residents at risk. When Mr. Lovi began referring to a shooting on Edgeboro Road a couple of years ago, Solicitor Bolla intervened as Mr. Lovi and President Walker were talking at the same time. President Walker informed Mr. Lovi that the 5 minutes allowed in Public to be Heard were over, and offered to have a conversation with Mr. Lovi at a later date. Mr. Lovi went on to state that one or more NBPD officers at the scene on Edgeboro Road were not wearing bullet-proof vests. President Walker stated that he would find out if that was true. Mr. Lovi suggested that the candidates for Police Chief speak to residents at a public meeting prior to Council making their decision. Mr. Walker reminded Mr. Lovi that he had exceeded his 5 minute limit and promised Mr. Lovi that he would meet with him to continue the conversation. Mr. Lovi was dissatisfied that he was not allowed to speak longer. Solicitor Bolla stated that there are standards and procedures in allowing public comment, and pointed out that another person was waiting to speak.

Jennie Schottmiller, Resident, thanked Council for their service and approving her COA applications. She noted that this was her first Newtown Borough Council meeting and was very impressed with how it operates. She questioned whether, now that her COA's were approved, she can apply for permits. President Walker replied yes.

Joe Carcaci, Resident, suggested that additional time could have been given to Mr. Lovi due to his speech delay. Mr. Carcaci shared his past experience as a Council Rock graduate, Marine, 25 year member of the PA State Police, and 3 year member of the NBPD. Mr. Carcaci questioned the Borough's requirement for a Bachelor's Degree for the role of Police Chief. Mr. Carcaci reported that other, larger municipalities allow for a college degree or equivalent experience. Mr. Carcaci gave an example of a PA State Lieutenant Colonel, in charge of 4,150 police, that would not be eligible for the Police Chief position since he doesn't have a college degree. Mr. Carcaci questioned where this requirement came from and why someone like himself with years of experience in undercover work, drug work, and detailed criminal investigations couldn't be considered. Mr. Carcaci stated that he loved working in the Borough and would like to submit his resume for review, noting that he is 61 credits short from receiving a Bachelor's Degree. Mr. Carcaci described the role of an effective Police Chief and asked Council to reconsider its stated requirements; he stated that all job postings for Police Chiefs that he has seen over the years have allowed for experience in lieu of a college degree.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy S. Musto
Borough Secretary

ATTENDEES

Julia & Warren Woldorf
Jonathan Mount
Jeff Warner
Barry Fleck
Ken Dolan
Dylan Dolan
Dave Clark
Joe Carcaci
Joe Lovi
David & Heidi Bryk
Marga Rogers
Jennie Schottmiller
Becky Betz
Ted Schmidt
Nancy Terry
Richard Walker