

**MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 19, 2023**

Media Borough Council met in Council Chambers on the above date with the following officials present: President Hall, Councilpersons Boyer, Paikoff, Robinson and Washington. Manager Forman, Solicitor Scott and Engineer Matson were present. Vice President Romaine was present via phone.

President Hall announced that Council will meet in executive session following this meeting to discuss a personnel matter and a litigation matter.

Approval of Minutes

Councilperson Robinson made a motion to approve December 1 2022 Workshop minutes. Councilperson Washington seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Robinson made a motion to approve the December 15, 2022 Council minutes. Councilperson Paikoff seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Robin Lasersohn of W. 4th Street asked how long Joan Hagan has served on the vacancy board and how she was appointed.

Mariann Ciarrocchi of Karma Salon mentioned that business owners are losing clients due to the increase in parking rates and times.

Borough Manager's Report

Manager Forman had no report.

Engineer's Report

Engineer Matson mentioned that Aqua and PECO continue to perform work in the Borough and asked residents to use caution when in these areas.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Scott had no report.

Mayor's Report

Mayor McMahon gave the police report.

Council/Committee Reports

Properties, Public Works and Fire – Mr. Robinson

Councilperson Robinson gave the 2022 report from the Media Fire Company. In 2022, there were 374 fire responses and 2,286 EMS responses. Councilperson Robinson mentioned there is still a need for volunteers.

Councilperson Robinson made a motion to accept a proposal from City Wide Facilities Solutions for janitorial services for Borough Hall. Councilperson Paikoff seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilperson Robinson made a motion to approve the submission of an application for County Aid for Liquid Fuels Tax Funds to be used for milling and paving of various streets. Councilperson Washington seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Personnel – Ms. Washington

Councilperson Washington made a motion to accept the collective bargaining agreement for 2023-2027 with the Media Police and FOP . Councilperson Robinson seconded the motion. Councilperson Robinson mentioned the Personnel Committee and the police reps worked well together and the meetings were very productive. The motion passed unanimously.

Media Business Authority– Ms. Romaine

Vice President Romaine mentioned the Ice on State event was a great success, it brought people into the business district at a traditionally slow time of year. Businesses reported that they did 2 to 3 times more business.

Community Development and HARB – Mr. Hall

President Hall announced that SEPTA will appear at the March workshop meeting to present their plans for trolley modernization.

President Hall made a motion to accept with regret the resignation of Councilperson Peter Williamson. President Hall mentioned that Peter was a great influence and quiet leader in this community. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. Councilperson Robinson mentioned that Peter will be sorely missed. Councilperson Paikoff mentioned that Peter was his mentor and he was happy that he had the opportunity to work with him. The motion passed unanimously

President Hall made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-01 re-appointing Alan Mancil to the ICC/Life Safety Appeals Board for a 5 year term expiring on 12/31/27. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion passed unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-02 re-appointing Roberto Perez to the Planning Commission for a 4 year term expiring 12/31/2026. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion passed 6 -1 with Councilperson Washington casting the dissenting vote.

President Hall made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-03 re-appointing John Cunningham to the Zoning Hearing Board for a 5 year term expiring 12/31/27. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion passed unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-04 re-appointing Joan Hagan to the Vacancy Board for a 1-year term expiring 12/31/23. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion passed unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-05 re-appointing Evelyn Blair to the Historic Archives Commission for a 5-year term expiring 12/31/27. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion passed unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to accept the low bid from Premier Concrete in the amount of \$684,746 for the CMAQ Sidewalk Project. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion passed unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to authorize the Solicitor to advertise an ordinance to adopt the Hybrid Form Based Zoning Code and initiate submittals to the required review agencies. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Safety, Recreation and Board of Health – Mr. Boyer

Councilperson Boyer made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1160 of 2023 adopting the annual traffic ordinance amendments. Councilperson Paikoff seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Finance, Library and Shade Tree Commission– Ms. Romaine

Vice President Romaine made a motion to ratify the payment of bills for the following funds:

General Fund	\$234,376.49
Recreation Fund	2,147.76
Liquid Fuels Fund	0.00
Capital Fund	<u>147,886.20</u>
Total	\$384,410.45

The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice President Romaine made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-06 re-appointing Jean Thomas to the Shade Tree Commission for a 5 year term expiring 12/31/27. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice President Romaine made a motion to accept a proposal from Dandelions Digital for 2023 digital communication services. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice President Romaine made a motion to approve the audit engagement letter from Barbacane for the 2022 audit. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion carried unanimously.

Environmental Advisory Board and Library – Mr. Paikoff

Councilperson Paikoff reported on the accomplishments of the EAC in 2022.

Councilperson Paikoff made a motion to approve Resolution #202-07 re-appointing Ron Joines to the Environmental Advisory Council for a three year term expiring 12/31/25. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Paikoff made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-08 re-appointing Dana Marks to the Environmental Advisory Council for a three year term expiring 12/31/25. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Paikoff made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-09 re-appointing Ian Piro to the Environmental Advisory Council for a three year term expiring 12/31/25. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Paikoff made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-10 appointing David Director as an Associate Member to the Environmental Advisory Council for a three year term expiring 12/31/25. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Robinson. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment and Privilege of the Floor

Comment received via email:

Jeanne Wordley 402 West 3rd St

I would like to add a note of appreciation for departing council member Peter Williamson.

In the meetings I have attended virtually and in person I have admired his calm patience and willingness to foster the democratic process.

I wish more people would realize how much effort and time Council members and support personnel devote to serving the people of Media. Peter will be missed.

Adjournment

Councilperson Robinson made a motion to adjourn the Council meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Repino, Recording Secretary