

MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
February 17, 2005

Media Borough Council met in Council Chambers on the above date with the following officials present: Mayor McMahan, President Hagan, Vice-President Robinson, Councilpersons Alyanakian, Krull, Sherwin, Tyson and Whitaker. Also present were Solicitor Middlebrooks, Engineer Mulvena, Borough Manager Smith, Treasurer Gioggia and Administrative Assistant Godek.

President Hagan called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m. and led the salute to the flag.

Approval of the Minutes

Vice-President Robinson made a motion to approve the Public Hearing minutes of January 20, 2005. Councilwoman Whitaker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Privilege of the Floor

Mayor McMahan announced the annual presentation of Media Police Department Awards. Police Chief Wusunich introduced Tom Flynn and Nancy Davidson to assist in presenting the awards. The Supervisor of the Year Award was presented to Sgt. Carroll, the Employee of the Year Award was presented to Sandy Bennett, and the The John Davidson Memorial Award for Officer of the Year was presented to Ptl. McCormick.

Chief Wusunich and Councilwoman Whitakar presented letters of commendation to Detective Montella and Plt. Mason (Upper Providence Police Department), Lt. Johnson, Sgt. Bowen, Ptl. Gavin, Ptl. Dintino, and PCO Harmer (Media Police Department), representatives from the Central Delco Tactical Team, Kevin Otto (Otto's Repair Shop) and Costa Hionis (Little Inn) for their contributions in apprehending the suspect responsible for the recent robberies at the Iron Workers Bank.

President Hagan announced a five-minute recess for photo opportunities.

Mayor's Report – Mr. McMahan

Mayor McMahan reported that there were 1,061 complaints in the month of December and no reported burglaries.

Mayor McMahan read Proclamation #2005-01 commemorating February as Black History Month. Mayor McMahan will present the Proclamation to members of the Media NAACP at a special event on Saturday, February 19, 2005.

Council Committee Reports

Recreation, Code Enforcement & Properties – Mr. Tyson

Councilman Tyson announced the annual Media Fire Company Banquet will be held in March.

Public Safety – Ms. Whitaker

Councilwoman Whitaker invited the public to make contributions to the Media Police Association, which provides help and sustenance to the less fortunate in the community.

Councilwoman Whitaker announced the Media Police Department has received re-certification on firearms use.

Community Development – Mr. Robinson

Vice-President Robinson motioned to adopt Resolution #2005-05 requesting the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) consider locating a Wine and Spirit Shoppe within the Borough of Media. Vice-President Robinson announced that he and Borough officials have met with Jonathon Newman, Chairman of the PLCB, and Representative Ron Raymond to consider other locations throughout the Borough. Councilwoman Krull seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Vice-President Robinson motioned to approve the Sprint application to construct a cellular antenna on top of the Media Municipal Building, contingent to compliance with the NDI review memo. Vice-President Robinson stated the antenna would generate approximately \$14,000 in revenue per year for the Borough. Councilwoman Whitaker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. President Hagan requested the Borough Manager look into taxing the cellular antenna.

Vice-President Robinson stated the Borough would be assembling an ad hoc committee to address pedestrian, lighting, and traffic calming issues throughout the Borough. Vice-President Robinson mentioned residents interested in serving on the committee should contact Borough Hall.

Vice-President Robinson announced a Green-up Clean-up Day to be held on April 16, 2005 with a rain date scheduled for April 23, 2005. Vice-President Robinson requested residents and organizations volunteer for this event and stated details will be available in the near future.

Vice-President Robinson announced the Pennsylvania Veterans Board received a federal grant in the amount of \$75,000 for exhibits and education at the Veterans Museum.

Personnel & Highway – Ms. Hagan

President Hagan mentioned she would accept a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1000 and authorize the Borough Engineer to develop guidelines for development plans when conducting stormwater management reviews. Vice-President Robinson made the motion that was seconded by Councilwoman Whitaker. The motion carried unanimously.

President Hagan stated that the snow emergency plan has been effective with the major storm this year. President Hagan reminded residents that vehicles parked along snow emergency routes would first be given a warning and then issued a citation if not moved from the designated area. President Hagan asked that residents anticipate snowstorms and clear the roads accordingly.

President Hagan announced that the red flags placed along State Street for the month of February were to recognize American Heart Association Month.

Finance, Insurance & MBA – Mr. Sherwin

Councilman Sherwin read the finance report. The Finance Committee reported checks drawn on the Central Disbursement account for the following funds:

General Fund	299,583.32
Liquid Fuels Fund	<u>20,182.39</u>
Total	319,765.71

Councilman Sherwin motioned that bills be paid when properly approved for all funds. Councilwoman Krull seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Sherwin motioned to authorize the Borough Manager to advertise bids for the sale of two former police vehicles, a Ford Crown Victoria and a Ford Explorer. Vice-President Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Recreation, Grants, Recycling & Streetscape – Mrs. Krull

Councilwoman Krull made the following Recreation Board announcements:

- March 9 - Philadelphia Flower Show Bus Trip: \$12 for Borough residents, \$18 for non-residents. This cost includes transportation.
- April 23, 2005 – Adult Dance: Details to follow.

Councilwoman Krull motioned to award the Construction Inspection Services Bid for the Streetscape project to CMC Engineering at an hourly rate of \$51.22, subject to final approval by PennDOT. Councilman Tyson objected the motion because another firm had submitted a lower bid. Councilman Tyson expressed that protocol should dictate the bid be given to the lowest bidder. Councilman Alyanakian agreed with Councilman Tyson. Councilwoman Krull stated she spoke with the bidders and evaluated the proposals based on service fees and the relationship of the firms to the Borough Engineer. Vice-President Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-2 with Councilpersons Tyson and Alyanakian casting the dissenting votes.

Health & Shade Tree Commission – Mr. Alyanakian

Councilman Alyanakian reported that Borough Council had instituted a sidewalk rebate program to assist Borough residents with 50% of the replacement cost for sidewalks heaved by Borough trees. Councilman Alyanakian summarized the criterium that will determine eligibility in the rebate program. Councilman Alyanakian stated that these forms will be available at Borough Hall. Councilman Tyson asked Councilman Alyanakian if residents replacing sidewalks heaved by Borough trees that are determined not to be viable and removed by the Borough would be eligible for grant funds. Councilman Alyanakian responded that they would not be eligible. Councilman Tyson objected to this policy.

Councilman Alyanakian summarized the Borough's participation in the Tree Vitalize Program, stating that the Borough was the only municipality selected in Delaware County. Councilperson

Alyanakian thanked the Shade Tree Commission for their efforts to promote the growth of old trees.

Privilege of the Floor

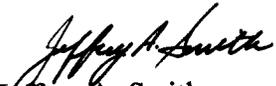
Kitty McFarland requested that Borough Council further explain the reasoning for the stormwater management ordinance. President Hagan stated that construction in the Borough reduces the amount of pervious surface area, thereby slowing the absorption of water into the ground. The new ordinance will require additional review of development plans to guarantee the Borough is meeting the standards for managing stormwater drainage. The reviews will be done on a case-by-case basis.

President Hagan asked for a moment of silence for residents who have recently passed away. President Hagan extended her sympathy to the families of Denise Sheraton, Bill Brady, and Bill Wenlock.

Adjournment

Vice-President Robinson motioned to adjourn, which was seconded by Councilperson Krull. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Jeffrey A. Smith
Borough Manager/Secretary