

MINUTES
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
June 20, 2019

Media Borough Council met in Council Chambers on the above date with the following officials present: Mayor McMahon, President Hall, Vice-President A. Johnson, Councilmen Boyer, Robinson and Williamson, Councilwomen Dixon and L. Johnson. Also present were Engineer Matson, Manager Smith and Solicitor Scott.

President Hall called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and led the salute to the flag.

Approval of Minutes

President Hall made a motion to approve the May 2, 2019 Workshop meeting minutes. Councilwoman Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

President Hall made a motion to approve the May 16, 2019 Council meeting minutes. Councilwoman Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Presentation

Mayor McMahon and Councilman Robinson presented Deputy Chief Christopher Zuccarelli and Lt. Matthew Hatton of the Media Fire Co. with a proclamation honoring them for their bravery during a recent fire where their efforts saved a fire victim. A proclamation was also presented to Chief Gibson honoring the fire company.

Public Comment and Privilege of the Floor

Debbie Gaston of N. Olive Street mentioned the proposed sidewalk installation on 8th Street. Ms. Gaston mentioned she does not want sidewalks on her property. Councilman Robinson clarified that the proposed location is not on her side of the street and the Borough would place the walks in the Borough right-of-way, not on private property. Ms. Gaston also mentioned the mud run-off from the new homes on 8th Street. President Hall mentioned that he will have the code enforcement director contact the developer regarding this issue. Engineer Matson added that once construction is completed the underground systems will be working and the run-off should be contained.

Engineer's Report

Engineer Matson mentioned a pre-construction meeting was held regarding the Olive Street Parking garage where logistics and borough events were discussed. Meetings will be held every two weeks. There will be rolling closures of the garage, but not a total closure.

Engineer Matson expect the road resurfacing program to begin the second week of July.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Scott had no report.

Mayor's Report

Mayor McMahan reported that the police department received and investigated 695 complaints during the month of May which included drug related incidents.

Mayor McMahan read a proclamation recognizing the month of June as LGBTQ Pride Month. Mayor McMahan will present the proclamation at the Media Pride Day event.

Mayor McMahan mentioned he read and presented a proclamation recognizing National Gun Violence Awareness Day at a recent event.

Council/Committee Reports

Properties, Public Works and Fire – Mr. Robinson

Councilman Robinson mentioned the honors the Media Fire Company received tonight reflect the great work the volunteers do; he encouraged residents to make a donation to the fire company. The fire company continues to look for volunteers in any aspect, whether it's firefighting or administrative duties.

Councilman Robinson mentioned he met with the Superintendent of the Rose Tree Media School District regarding the Media Elementary Playground/Barrall Park agreement. Councilman Robinson mentioned the school district revised the agreement which puts more responsibility on the Borough. The agreement will be reviewed by the borough solicitor and the school district solicitor.

MBA, Historic, Public Safety and Civil Service – Ms. L. Johnson

Councilwoman L. Johnson made a motion to accept the resignation of Perri Evanson from the Media Business Authority (term expires 12/31/19). Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilwoman L. Johnson made a motion to approve the mass gathering permit application for Media Pride Day on Sunday, June 30, 2019 from Noon -5:00 p.m. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilwoman L. Johnson made a motion to approve a mass gathering permit application for the First Baptist Church of Media's Vacation Bible School to be held on July 8 – July 12, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Fair Trade, Farmer’s Market, Shade Tree and EAC – Mrs. A. Johnson

Vice President A. Johnson did not have a report.

Community Development, Personnel and Media Arts Council – Mr. Hall

President Hall made a motion to approve a certificate of appropriateness for roof materials, gutters, downspouts, etc. at 8 South Lemon Street consistent with the items outlined in the letter from HARB. President Hall mentioned HARB reviewed the application and recommends approval. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

President Hall reminded residents that status updates on the Third Street Dam are available on the borough website.

Recreation and Board of Health – Mr. Boyer

Councilman Boyer made a motion to approve the proposal from Kompan to upgrade the tot lot for an amount not to exceed \$149,963.51. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Finance and Library – Mr. Williamson

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

General Fund	\$ 327,250.31
Recreation Fund	5,886.79
Liquid Fuels Fund	0.00
Capital Fund	<u>87,709.76</u>
Total	\$ 418,846.86

Councilman Williamson made a motion to approve the payment of bills for May. Councilwoman Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Williamson mentioned the Borough reviewed a clean audit report.

Personnel, Public Relations and Historical Archives – Ms. Dixon

Councilwoman Dixon had no report.

Public Comment and Privilege of the Floor

Mary Mallory of W. State Street mentioned the possibility of developing the property at 300 E. State Street. She suggested creating a gateway in that location instead of an apartment building. The property should be kept green and open. Councilman Williamson mentioned the property is not owned by the Borough. He also mentioned there is a request for proposals for an Open Space Plan.

Adjournment

President Hall made a motion to adjourn the Council meeting at 9:15 p.m. Councilwoman Dixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey A. Smith
Borough Manager/Secretary