

**BRIDGEVILLE BORORUGH COUNCIL MINUTES
REORGANIZATION/REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 4, 2016
425 BOWER HILL ROAD
BRIDGEVILLE, PA 15017**

SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

Swearing in of the following newly elected officials:

Jason Sarasnick
Michael Tolmer
Joseph Colosimo

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael Tolmer
Bruce Ghelarducci
William Henderson
Jason Sarasnick
William Colussy
Neil Lyons
Joseph Colosimo

ALSO PRESENT:

Mayor, Pasquale DeBlasio
Solicitor, Tom McDermott
Engineer, Joe Sites
Borough Manager, Lori Collins
Police Chief, Chad King
Fire Chief, William Chilleo

SouthBridge EMS, Dan Miller – Absent

ROLL CALL, SEE ABOVE

The meeting is opened by Mayor Pasquale DeBlasio with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for the sick, handicapped, departed and military personnel of our community.

MAYOR, DEBLASIO

Mayor DeBlasio stated as required by the mayor, §1003 of the Pennsylvania Borough Code, he calls to order this organizational meeting of Bridgeville Council.

He also stated that government moves at a glacial pace but it moves with great force. Plans to improve the north and south end of Washington Avenue are taking shape. We applied for a state grant to make significant improvements to McLaughlin Park in 2016. Bridgeville is financially stable and our community is strong. As individuals, we should focus on the hard problems we face and not our petty differences. Together we can use our government to improve our community. Every member of council cares about our community; so together with the members chosen to be President and Vice President of Council, we will lead this region and make Bridgeville better.

Call for nominations to President of Council.

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci nominating M. Tolmer as President of Council for the Borough of Bridgeville. M. Tolmer was declared President of Council by acclamation.

MAYOR, DEBLASIO

Call for nominations to Vice President of Council.

A motion was made by M. Tolmer nominating B. Ghelarducci as Vice President of Council for the Borough of Bridgeville. B. Ghelarducci was declared Vice President of Council by acclamation.

The meeting is turned over to the newly elected Council President.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Vacant Board and Commission positions were advertised in the Tribune Review and Bridgeville Area News on December 10 and 17, 2015 with letters of interest received only from the current individuals serving and Nino Petrocelli, Sr. Mr. Petrocelli expressed interest to serve on any committee where his services may be needed.

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by W. Colussy approving the re-appointment of John McCans to a six (6) year term on the Civil Service Commission to the first Monday in January 2022. Remarks: M. Tolmer stated that Mr. McCans has submitted a letter of interest to continue to serve. All in favor, motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by J. Sarasnick, seconded by B. Ghelarducci approving the re-appointment of Joe Kauer to a five (5) year term on the Planning Commission to the first Monday in January 2021. Remarks: M. Tolmer stated that Mr. Kauer has submitted a letter of interest to continue to serve. All in favor, motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by W. Colussy approving the re-appointment of Bob Kelly to a five (5) year term on the Zoning Hearing Board to the first Monday in January 2021. Remarks: M. Tolmer stated that Mr. Kelly has submitted a letter of interest to continue to serve. All in favor, motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by W. Colussy, seconded by N. Lyons approving the re-appointment of Joel Lakus to a two (2) year term on the Vacancy Board to the first Monday in January 2018. Remarks: M. Tolmer stated that Mr. Lakus has submitted a letter of interest to continue to serve. All in favor, motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by J. Colosimo, seconded by W. Henderson appointing N. Petrocelli Sr. to the Zoning Hearing Board to the first Monday in January 2020. The appointment will serve the remaining term of Joseph Colosimo due to his election to Council. All in favor, motion carried 7-0.

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH SOLICITOR

A motion was made by J. Sarasnick, seconded by B. Ghelarducci appointing Gaitens, Tucceri & Nicholas, P.C. as the Borough legal consultants for the Calendar Year 2016. All in favor, motion carried 6-1 with N. Lyons voting No.

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ENGINEER

A motion was made by J. Sarasnick, seconded by J. Colosimo appointing The Gateway Engineers, Inc. as the consulting engineers for the Calendar Year 2016. All in favor, motion carried 7-0.

VISITOR, PLEASE STATE NAME AND ADDRESS

No Visitors

LIST OF BILLS

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by W. Henderson approving the December 2015 Final Bill List. All in favor, motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by W. Henderson, seconded by J. Sarasnick approving the January 2016 Bill List. All in favor, motion carried 7-0.

PAYROLLS

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by J. Colosimo approving the payrolls of January 8, 15, 22, 29 and February 5, 2016. All in favor, motion carried 7-0.

MONTHLY REPORTS

A motion was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by J. Sarasnick approving to pay any commissions due the December 2015 Real Estate Tax Collector Report. All in favor, motion carried 7-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADMINISTRATION

No Report

FINANCE

No Report

PARKS & RECREATION

No Report

PUBLIC WORKS/BUILDINGS

No Report

PUBLIC SAFETY

No Report.

MAYOR, PASQUALE DEBLASIO

Mayor DeBlasio stated that in December, there was an armed robbery. He complimented our Police Department for identifying and seeing that the alleged perpetrator was apprehended. Their efforts were simply good police work which he found is a lot more work than you might think. He thanked the Officers for their team and for an excellent job and service to our community.

POLICE CHIEF, CHAD KING

Chief King elaborated more on the robbery incident that happened on a Thursday night. We developed a short list of suspects within a matter of hours just from the officer's familiarity with people within the community. We quickly dissolved that down to one individual which we focused on. On Friday, we hit his apartment with a search warrant. On Saturday, we had the arrest warrant and Sunday, the individual was located in Florida which was where he was taken into custody. It was good police work and it was an example of the officers knowing the community and individuals in this town. Although we had video of the robbery, it was very hard to put a face to who the individual was. We had to go from the clothing description more than anything. He gave his confession to the officers in Florida.

SOLICITOR, THOMAS MCDERMOTT

No Report, but requested an executive session after the meeting.

ENGINEER, JOE SITES

Washington Avenue Water Main Replacement

We are currently working on preparing plans and specifications for bidding of the repairs to the sanitary sewer main on Washington Avenue to be completed prior to the PennDOT and Pennsylvania American Water Company work from Chartiers Street to St. Clair Street. Lane Construction will be delaying the resurfacing of Washington Avenue until after the water main is replaced.

McLaughlin Run Road Resurfacing

We have reviewed the sanitary sewer CCTV information and have determined that there are some portions of the sanitary sewer main that are in need of repair that can be completed with liners. We are currently working on preparing bidding documents to complete the installation of liners on the main prior to the resurfacing occurring.

PennDOT South Hills Comprehensive Traffic Study

We will be attending a meeting with the Manager on January 7, 2016 for a presentation of the findings from the overall PennDOT South Hills Comprehensive Traffic Study that was implemented

about a year ago. The information from this study will be reviewed and anything related to Route 50 will be important for the Route 50 Task Force to consider.

FIRE CHIEF, WILLIAM CHILLEO

Fire Chief Chilleo stated that the fire department handled about 185 calls last year.

SOUTHBRIDGE EMS, DAN MILLER

Absent

LIBRARY DELEGATE

Absent

BOROUGH MANAGER, LORI COLLINS

Manager Collins stated that PNC Bank will be moving to the Collier office in April 2016 due to the newer equipment and drive-thru service that is currently not available at the Bridgeville office.

She also stated that she is closing out for the year.

OLD BUSINESS

J. Sarasnick suggested that Council take a look at the pros and cons of either collecting the trash and recyclables in house or continuing to outsource.

NEW BUSINESS

No Report

ADJOURNMENT

An Executive Session regarding legal issues was called at 7:45 p.m. Council returned at 9:00 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by B. Ghelarducci, seconded by J. Sarasnick. Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,


Lori Collins
Borough Manager