

**BRIDGEVILLE BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**May 10, 2021**

**7:00 PM**

The meeting was held within the Chartiers Room at the Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department, 370 Commercial Street. President Henderson led a moment of silence for the recently departed members of our community and those serving in the military.

**ROLL CALL** – Roll was called at 7:00 PM with the following present:

Council President, William Henderson  
Council Vice President, Nino Petrocelli, Sr.  
Councilman, Bruce Ghelarducci  
Councilman, Joseph Colosimo  
Councilman, Joseph Verduci  
Councilwoman, Virginia Schneider  
Councilman, Nicholas Ciesielski

Mayor Betty Copeland, Solicitor Thomas McDermott, Borough Engineer David Kovac, Borough Manager Joseph Kauer, Police Chief Chad King, Asst. Fire Chief Mike Meglen and EMS Director Dan Miller

**ABSENT:** None

**COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR** –

1. **Mr. Robert Fryer, 508 Hunters Path, South Fayette Township:** reviewed with Council numerous plans that he has prepared to address traffic and flooding issues of our community. He outlined the two-way couple concept for Washington Avenue and encouraged that it be included in the upcoming Comprehensive Plan update.
2. **Mr. Nick Dinger, 1316 Union St.,** expressed concerns with motorists not obeying the stop signs at the intersection of Bower Hill Road, Union and Liberty Streets. He also stated that motorists leaving the Universal Stainless Co. parking lot on Union Street are not obeying the “No Right Turn” prohibition. Mr. Henderson informed Mr. Dinger that the Public Safety Committee will investigate and address these matters.

**BUSINESS**

1. A motion to approve the April 12, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes as submitted was made by Mr. Ghelarducci, seconded by Mr. Ciesielski; motion carried unanimously.
2. A motion to approve the May 2021 Bill List was made by Mr. Verduci, seconded by Mr. Petrocelli; motion carried unanimously.
3. A motion to approve the May 14, 21, 28, June 4 and June 11, 2021 payrolls was made by Mr. Colosimo, seconded by Mr. Ghelarducci; motion carried unanimously.

4. A motion to authorize the advertisement and public display of Ordinance No. 1021, an Ordinance of the Borough of Bridgeville, amending its Code of Ordinances, Chapter 13, Licenses, Permits and General Business Regulations, Part 2, Transient Retail Merchants, Subsection 205.E, Prohibited Acts, and Part 3, Solicitation of Contributions, Subsection 303.G, conditions under which permit is issued, to establish updated rules regarding permissible and prohibited days and hours during which one may or may not engage in lawful door-to-door solicitation or other covered activities, as recommended by the Public Safety Committee was made by Mr. Ciesielski, seconded by Mr. Ghelarducci; motion carried unanimously.
5. A motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-15, a Resolution of the Borough of Bridgeville authorizing applying for Greenways, Trails and Recreation Program Funding for the Chartiers Park Fitness Trail Project was made by Mr. Petrocelli, seconded by Mr. Ciesielski; motion carried unanimously.
6. A motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-16, a Resolution of the Borough of Bridgeville, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, disposing of records in compliance with the municipal records manual approved on July 16, 1993 in accordance with Act 428 of 1968 was made by Mr. Ghelarducci, seconded by Mr. Colosimo; motion carried unanimously.
7. A motion to authorize the disbursement of \$69,192.06 from the Capital Project Fund to Jet Jack, Inc., for Partial Payment No. 1 for the Bower Hill Road Stormwater Improvements Project was made by Mr. Ghelarducci, seconded by Mr. Petrocelli; motion carried unanimously.
8. A motion to authorize the disbursement of \$86,595.63 from the Sewer Fund to Jet Jack, Inc., for Partial Payment No. 1 for the Backwater Valve Contract – Phase 3 Project was made by Mr. Verduci, seconded by Mr. Ciesielski; motion carried unanimously.
9. A motion to authorize the disbursement of \$74,362.50 to LM&R Excavating for Partial Payment No. 3 for the McLaughlin Run Park Flood Mitigation Project was made by Mr. Petrocelli, seconded by Mr. Colosimo; motion carried unanimously.
10. A motion to award contract to Osiris Enterprises in the amount of \$157,125.00 for the Backwater Valve Contract – Phase 4 Project as recommended by the Borough Engineer was made by Mr. Petrocelli, seconded by Mr. Ghelarducci; motion carried unanimously.
11. A motion to award contract to Independent Enterprises, Inc., in the amount of \$74,855.00 for the Stormceptor Improvements Project as recommended by the Borough Engineer was made by Mr. Ghelarducci, seconded by Mr. Colosimo; motion carried unanimously.

12. A motion to accept and pay any commission due – April 2021 Real Estate Tax Collector Report was made by Mr. Verduci, seconded by Mr. Ciesielski; motion carried unanimously.
13. A motion to acknowledge receipt of the March 2021 Treasurer’s Report was made by Mr. Verduci, seconded by Mr. Ciesielski; motion carried unanimously.
14. A motion to accept the April 2021 Police Report was made by Mr. Ghelarducci, seconded by Mr. Petrocelli; motion carried unanimously.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ADMINISTRATION, VIRGINIA SCHNEIDER** – no report.

**FINANCE, JOSEPH VERDUCI** – Mr. Verduci reported that work has started to upgrade the Borough’s Finance Software. It is scheduled to be completed by mid-July. Once completed, residents will be able to pay Borough bills online on our website with a credit card.

He also reported that the Workers Compensation Safety Committee met on April 15<sup>th</sup>. State training scheduled for May 20<sup>th</sup> for all Committee Members, we are on track for an October certification and a 2022 5% discount on the Fire Department Workers Compensation Policy. The discussions are also getting all the departments understanding workplace safety and reviewing accidents and hopefully work towards our goal of reducing future incidents.

Mr. Verduci stated that the Stormceptor Project (four large storm manhole conversions that siphon out litter and pollutants before it reaches our waterways (Chartiers Creek and McLaughlin Run)) came in way under budget. The Budget was \$140,000, awarded grant is paying \$70,000. The lowest bid that has been vetted came in at \$74,855.

Lastly, he stated that the committee continues to brainstorm infrastructure projects for the federal stimulus funds.

**PARKS & RECREATION, JOSEPH COLOSIMO** – Mr. Colosimo reported that work at McLaughlin Run Park is nearing completion, it is on track to be completed by the middle of June. He also reported that the Public Works Department has been busy cleaning up the parks and recently repainted the restroom and dugout buildings. Mr. Colosimo also reported that the playgrounds have been mulched and that the DPW crews are busy keeping up on the parks. Lastly, he stated that a third dog-waste station has been added at Chartiers Park.

**PUBLIC WORKS/BUILDINGS, NINO PETROCELLI, SR.** – Mr. Petrocelli reported that the Public Works Department’s Brush Collection Program has been completed and that street sweeping is now underway the third week of each month. He also stated that the crew is busy with cutting grass and refacing traffic signage.

**PUBLIC SAFETY, BRUCE GHELARDUCCI** – no report.

**MAYOR, BETTY COPELAND** – Mayor Copeland reported that on May 8<sup>th</sup> she presented a

proclamation to Steven Gubinsky who recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout. She also stated that she has been in touch with the Schaub family would like to construct a lending library within Cook School Park in memory of their late daughter.

POLICE CHIEF, CHAD KING – no report.

SOLICITOR, THOMAS MCDERMOTT – no report.

BOROUGH ENGINEER, KEVIN BRETT – Engineer Kovacs reported that their written report has been submitted and that he can answer any questions. Mr. Ciesielski questioned when the work on Jane Way will be starting and if it would have any effect on traffic on Baldwin Street. The engineer reported that the Water Company was there today doing work to locate their water main and that the project should not affect Baldwin Street traffic.

FIRE CHIEF, RAY COSTAIN – Assistant Chief Meglen reported that the Department responded to 39 calls for service this past month. He thanked the community for supporting the Department's recent Facebook raffles. He also stated that they will be hosting different food trucks on Thursday evenings from 4-8PM within their parking lot.

SOUTHBRIDGE EMS, DAN MILLER – no report.

BRIDGEVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, MARY WEISE – Mayor Copeland reported that this month's speakers' program will be held on May 25<sup>th</sup> at the Chartiers Room and the topic is the life of St. Mother Teresa.

BRIDGEVILLE LIBRARY REPRESENTATIVE – no report.

BRIDGEVILLE PARKING AUTHORITY REPRESENTATIVE – no report.

BRIDGEVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE – Ms. Cimarolli reported that the Planning Commission is working with members of Council to interview firms for the upcoming Comprehensive Plan update project.

BOROUGH MANAGER, JOSEPH KAUER – the Borough Manager reported that the grant application for the Chartiers Park Fitness Trail project has been completed and will be submitted tomorrow. He stated that the project seeks \$250,000 and has received support letters from Senator Robinson, Representative Ortity and the County's Planning Department.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Henderson stated that since last August the Borough Manager has been active seeking grant funds for the community, highlighting 15 grant applications submitted. He thanked the Manager for seeking the financial assistance for the community.

Mr. Verduci reported that the Bridgeville-South Fayette Rotary is having a Trivia Night Fundraiser on June 19<sup>th</sup> at the Chartiers Room. He welcomed the community to attend.

Mr. Ciesielski congratulated Manager Kauer on the birth of their daughter.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Ghelarducci, seconded by Mr. Ciesielski, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:27PM. All in favor, motion passed 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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Joseph Kauer  
Borough Manager / Secretary