

Borough of Yeadon
Delaware County, Pennsylvania
Caucus Workshop Meeting
March 10, 2016

The Borough of Yeadon Council Caucus Workshop Meeting was called to order at 7:24 PM by Council President Sharon Harris.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Council President Harris led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Present: Council members: Renita Austin, Sharon Harris (President), Clara Johnson, Learn Johnson, Tomeka Jones-Waters, Dr. Dolores McCabe (Vice-President), LaToya Monroe.

Mayor: Rohan Hepkins

3. Citizens Forum (Agenda Items Only)

- Mr. Clifford Brock
- Ms. Lianna Roadcloud
- Mrs. Denise Christmas – Wimberly

4. Mayor's Report

Mayor Hepkins discussed his Citizen's Forum event; that was held on Thursday, March 3, 2016. A few of the topics discussed at the Citizen's Forum included: snow emergency routes (taking Cypress St. off of the snow emergency route), financial & state budgetary issues impacting the William Penn School District, the 2nd annual Food & Clothing Drive (March 26, 2016), and the Youth Police Academy.

5. President's Report

Council President Harris discussed the responsibilities and duties of elected officials. She referenced the "Borough Code" and stated that the body of law that represents the borough (council members), have a fiduciary responsibility to not cause harm or cost to the Borough of Yeadon.

6. Administrative Report

Borough Manager Majovie (Joe) Bland discussed Code department staffing concerns and the need for additional seasonal employees. He also talked about document management and the importance of scanning, securing, and providing back-up for the borough's current & historic documents.

7. Committee Reports

a. Municipal Service

Councilwoman Clara Johnson, Chair of Municipal Services read her report on the Public Works department. She gave an update on the repairing and replacement of street & traffic signs, cleaning of storm inlets, and the replacement of floors in the kitchen of the hall (auditorium) & the office of emergency management. To report potholes, please call 610-623-3636. She also advised council of a drain ownership issue, involving a resident of the 500 block of Holly Rd. Public Works Director, Mr. Dan Wright stated that the drain is on private property and advised that the borough not get involved.

b. Ordinances & Zoning

Councilwoman Tomeka Jones-Waters, Chair of Ordinances & Zoning Committee, introduced Mr. Judson Sumbler, Code department Director. Mr. Sumbler gave an update on handicap & zoning permits. He discussed the increase of rental inspections and reported income for the month of February at \$60,176. He also advised council that the department's new computer system, with the addition of tablets, would allow the department to function more efficiently.

c. Public Safety

Vice President Dr. Dolores McCabe, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, introduced Fire Chief, Craig Jeffries. Mr. Jeffries read his report, which included 125 fire & EMS calls for the months of January and February. He also mentioned the unfortunate death of a 36 year member of the Yeadon Borough Fire Company.

Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator, Mary Nixon was introduced and read her report. Mrs. Nixon discussed the need and purpose for a refrigerator, for the Emergency Management Department. She also talked about the CERT training (Community Emergency Response Team), being held in Sharon Hill, PA on March 16th & April 9th.

Police Chief Donald Molineux was introduced and read his report. He discussed the community relations event at Evans Elementary School on March 3rd, where a police officer read books to a group of students. Chief Molineux's report also included: 808 calls for service, 23 arrest, and \$11,270.49 in total revenue for the month of February.

d. Community Relations

Councilwoman Learin Johnson, Chair of Community Relations Committee, briefly discussed Flag Day preparations. Concerns with Septa bus routes in the borough, were also discussed.

Recreation Coordinator, Roy Hunter was introduced and discussed Elicit Discharge. He advised everyone that if you see anyone dumping/pouring oil or grease onto the street, to please call the borough manager or the police. Camp Garrett, Flag Day, Darby Creek Clean-up, and the 13th annual Run/Walk event, were also topics of discussion.

Library Director, Richard Ashby was introduced and talked about the various programs & events taking place at the library. A blog talk radio show, book club, and a Read-A-Thon, were some of the programs highlighted.

Event Coordinator, Ricardo Bostic was introduced and discussed hall rentals. He mentioned that rentals have improved and that customers are pleased with the renovations. Mr. Bostic reports that the hall is booked through 2017.

e. Finance Report

(Multiple Inaudible Discussions regarding the Finance Committee)

8. Adjournment

The meeting abruptly adjourned at 9:41PM.