March 2, 2016

The Special Meeting of Lansdale Borough Council was held on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at Lansdale Municipal Complex, One Vine Street, Lansdale, PA and called to order at 9:10 pm by Council President Denton Burnell.

ROLL CALL:

- (X) Councilman Angelichio
- (X) President Burnell
- (X) Councilwoman Hawkins Charlton
- (X) Councilman DiGregorio
- (X) Vice President Fuller
- (X) Councilman Hansen
- (X) Councilman Malagari
- (X) Councilman Van Dame
- (X) Councilman Work
- (X) Mayor Szekely

Borough Representatives:

Borough Manager, Jake Ziegler Finance Director, Brian Shapiro Dir. Comm. Development, John Ernst Parks & Rec. Director, Carl Saldutti Electric Superintendent, Andy Krauss Public Works, Rick DeLong WWTP Superintendent, Dan Shinskie Borough Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny Borough Engineer, not present Police Chief, Bob McDyre Library Director, not present IT/GIS Coordinator, Bryan Poster Cust. Svc/Records Mgr., Pat Chapman

Residents:

Carol Zellers - Elm Drive

Agenda Item #4 - Residents

None

Agenda Item #5 – Action Items:

Councilman Malagari presented Motion A and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council adopt attached Resolution 16-05 to temporarily display banners that will portray both the International Spring Festival logo and various countries flags from approximately March 28, 2016 through April 30, 2016 on streetscape light poles along portions of West Main Street from Richardson Avenue to Broad Street.

Mayor Szekely - Gave a brief explanation of the banners for the International Spring Festival and had an example to show Council and the audience. The countries are designated by the North Penn School District.

Vice President Fuller – Will the ISF Committee help Mayor Szekely in with the placement of the banners on Main Street?

Mayor Szekely - He will consult with ISF Committee and he will talk to the businesses about which country they would like to have or not to have outside their storefront.

President Burnell – There is a small cost to the Borough which is about \$750 to purchase the American flag poles and any additional brackets needed.

Motion seconded by Councilman DiGregorio and unanimously approved.

Councilman Malagari presented Motion B and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council adopt attached Resolution 16-06 to temporarily display banners that will portray Lansdale Borough Veterans "Hometown Heroes" from approximately May 9, 2016 through November 14, 2016 on streetscape light poles along portions of West Main Street from Richardson Avenue to Broad Street. As additional banners are purchased they may extend to streetscape light poles on portions of Broad Street and East Main Street as well as extend toward Cannon Avenue.

Ms. Scheuring – The banners can be purchased for \$100 each. They are to honor Borough residents that have served or are currently serving in the military. A sample banner was shown to Council and the audience.

President Burnell – If the banners sell as well as we expect we may have to go beyond the core of the downtown to display them. If that is the case, the Borough may endure some additional cost to purchase more American flags and more brackets as necessary.

Motion seconded by Councilman Angelichio and unanimously approved.

Agenda Item #6 – Old Business

None

Agenda Item #7 – New Business

Councilman Angelichio presented Motion C and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council support the acquisition of all, or a portion of, the Freight House Property, also known as the former Lansdale Finishers Property, by the Lansdale Parking Authority.

Mr. Clement Solicitor for the Parking Authority – This property could become a future public parking lot and could help with overflow parking for the municipal complex and the Liberty Bell trailhead parking in this lot.

Ms. Zellers of Elm Drive – How much is the property listed at by the owner?

Mr. Clement – The Authority is currently exploring and is in negotiations with the property owner, therefore he cannot discuss details at this time.

Ms. Zellers – Where would the money come from to purchase this property.

President Burnell – The money would come from the Parking Authority coffers.

Motion seconded by Vice President Fuller and approved 8-1 with Councilman Work voting no.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09pm.