The Business Meeting of Lansdale Borough Council was held on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 in the Council Chambers, 1 Vine Street, Lansdale, PA and called to order at 7:10 pm by Council President, Denton Burnell.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

- ( ) Councilman Angelichio
- (X) Councilman Breish
- (X) President Burnell
- (X) Councilwoman Hawkins Charlton
- (X) Councilman DiGregorio
- (X) Vice President Fuller
- (X) Councilman Hansen
- (X) Councilman Henning
- (X) Councilman Work
- (X) Mayor Herbert attended via teleconference

### Borough Representatives:

Borough Manager, not present
Finance Dir, John Ramey
Police Chief, Mike Trail
Parks & Rec. Director, Karl Lukens
Electric Superintendent, Andy Krauss
Public Works, not present
WWTP Superintendent, Dan Shinskie

Borough Solicitor, Sean Kilkenny
Borough Engineer, Chris Fazio
Library Director, Justin Smith
Cust. Svc Mgr., not present
HR Director, Nancy Shaw
Code Enforcement, Chris Kunkel

#### Residents:

Donna Gonzales-Fielder – 35 E. Fourth Street

### Agenda Item #5 – President's Comments

**President Burnell** – We will take a break for an Executive Session regarding potential litigation during the meeting. No action will be taken this evening.

#### Agenda Item #6 – Presentations

Business of the Month, Keeney Printing Group presented by EDC member Bruce Schwartz

- 1. Chuck Keeney had a passion for the arts and the printed word and when, one day, he saw a newspaper ad for a franchise for sale in Lansdale, he and his wife Margaret bought KopyKat Printing, on East Main Street.
- 2. Thus began what today is known as Keeney Printing Group, now located in the building that once housed Lansdale Discount House fabrics, at 816 W. Second Street. It is a thriving print shop.
- 3. Those first few years Margaret ran the print shop and learned the business from the bottom up. When KopyKat went bankrupt a few years later, they changed the name to Kwikprint.
- 4. Chuck gave up his full-time job to help Margaret run the shop and with hard work and the help of a supportive printing community, they put together a business that eventually outgrew its original location on E. Main Street.
- 5. When Chuck died in 1989 after a battle with leukemia, Margaret and son Michael, with a printing degree from Rochester (NY) Institute of Technology, kept the business going and growing. Eventually they changed the name to Keeney Printing Group, reflecting not only the family's heritage but also expanded printing capabilities.

- 6. Today Keeney has a half-dozen employees and work with national companies as well as local companies such as Lansdale Borough Parks & Rec, the Schwenkfelder Church, Simcox McIlvane Funeral Home, St. Stanislaus with Mater Dei and Corpus Christi, Lansdale Volunteer Medical Service Corps, to name a few.
- 7. How does a shop survive in such a competitive environment? Michael will tell you that, no matter what the task and how tight the deadline, they won't take shortcuts to get there. Key to their success is that they care about their product and do top-notch work and that is why have been in business for more than 40 years.

### **Renewable Energy** by Corrine Mayland (*presentation attached to end of minutes*)

- 1. Resolutions have been passed in other municipalities to commit to using renewable energy and being 100% renewable by 2035.
- 2. We need to accelerate the use of renewable energy to reduce the carbon and pollution through free energy such as wind, solar, tidal or geothermal.
- 3. The borough's electric renewable energy is 10% through AMP.
- 4. The borough can make a commitment to be 100% renewable by passing a resolution to do so. It takes about a year to plan the resolution.
- 5. Greenhouse emissions were down between 2010 and 2015 and there was a 15% decrease in gas used in the borough.
- 6. Our community also needs to get involved to make it work and make it happen.

**Councilwoman Hawkins Charlton** – How is the reduction in gas factored to give you a number of 15%?

Ms. Mayland – That is done through DVRPC and it is trips in and out of Lansdale.

### Agenda Item #7 - Petitions

None

#### Agenda Item #8 – Residents to be heard on any item

**Ms. Gonzales-Fielder** of 35 E. Fourth Street – Alley maintenance needs to be addressed in the borough. In her alley there are potholes everywhere and overflowing trash cans too. She has lived here for three years and was told homeowners are responsible for the alley behind their home. She has discovered that most people don't realize this. Residents who have their trash picked up at their driveway do not have to maintain their part of the public street. She would like Council to work on this issue.

**President Burnell** – Staff is actively talking about this topic on how to deal with the conditions of the alleys.

**Executive Session** – Began at 7:37pm and ended at 7:53pm regarding potential litigation. No action was taken this evening.

#### Agenda Item #9 - Action Items

**Councilwoman Hawkins Charlton** presented Motion A and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of April, which shows the expenditures listed on the attachment.

Motion seconded by Vice President Fuller and unanimously approved.

**Councilwoman Hawkins Charlton** presented Motion B and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council approve the bills \$1,000.00 and over as per the attachment.

Motion seconded by Vice President Fuller and unanimously approved.

## **Councilwoman Hawkins Charlton** presented Motion C and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council approve the following meeting minutes:

Work Session: April 3, 2019 Business Meeting: April 24, 2019

Motion seconded by Councilman Breish and unanimously approved.

### **Councilwoman Hawkins Charlton** presented Motion D and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council approve the attached seasonal employee wage and salary schedule for 2019.

Motion seconded by Vice President Fuller and unanimously approved.

### Councilman Hansen presented Motion E and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council adopt the attached Ordinance 1926 adopting the 2015 Edition of the International Fire Code, regulating and governing the safeguarding of life and property from fire and explosion hazards arising from storage, handling and use of hazardous substances, materials and devices and from conditions hazardous to life or property in the occupancy of buildings and premises in the Borough.

Motion seconded by Councilman Breish and unanimously approved.

# **Councilman Work** presented Motion F and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council authorize the use of Memorial Park from 10:00am to 12 noon and the closing of the various streets in the borough (on file in the police department) for the annual VFW Memorial Day Parade to be held on Monday, May 27, 2019 from 8:00am to 10:00am per the recommendation of the Special Events Committee and the Public Safety Committee.

Motion seconded by Vice President Fuller and unanimously approved.

#### Councilman Work presented Motion G and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council approve the BAPS Charity Walk on Saturday, July 13, 2019 from 9:30am to 12:00pm per the recommendation of the Special Events Committee and the Public Safety Committee. The walk will begin and end at Trinity Lutheran Church located at 1000 W. Main Street. Walkers are permitted to walk on the sidewalks only.

Motion seconded by Vice President Fuller and unanimously approved.

#### **Councilman Work** presented Motion H and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council authorize the closure of various borough streets (on file at the police department) for the Borough of Lansdale's Founders Day event on Saturday, August 24, 2019 per the recommendation of the Special Events Committee and the Public Safety Committee. Additionally, authorize the closure of the following streets: S. Line Street between E. Main Street and Penn Street; Penn Street between S. Line Street and Church Road; Park

Avenue between E. Main Street and Penn Street from 8:00pm until the conclusion of the fireworks display.

Motion seconded by Vice President Fuller and unanimously approved.

**Councilman Breish** presented Motion I and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council award the contract for the 2019 Liquid Fuels North Cannon Avenue Rehabilitation-Base Bid, Alternate Bid #1, Alternate Bid #2, Alternate Bid #3, Alternate Bid #4, Alternate Bid #5, and Alternate Bid #6 to Marino Corporation, the lowest responsible bidder per the recommendation of Remington and Vernick, engineering consultants for this project.

Motion seconded by Councilwoman Hawkins Charlton and unanimously approved.

Councilman Breish presented Motion J and read s follows:

I move that Borough Council award the contract for the Liquid Fuels Mill & Overlay Program – Base Bid, Alternate Bid #1, and Alternate Bid #2, to James D. Morrissey, the lowest responsible bidder per the recommendation of Remington & Vernick, engineering consultants for this project.

**Councilman DiGregorio** – Will they be milling the road? When the manholes get milled around there should be some sort of extra warning around the raised manhole, like orange paint sprayed around the manhole, to warn drivers. Those manholes can rip up an under carriage of a car.

**Mr. Kunkel** – Temporary paving will be put around the manholes to prevent this as well as having them painted.

Motion seconded by Vice President Fuller and unanimously approved.

Councilman Breish presented Motion K and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council authorize Payment #1 in the amount of \$70,410.60 to AM-Liner East, Inc., for work completed on the Whites Road Sanitary Sewer Lining Project per the recommendation of Remington & Vernick, engineering consultants for this project.

Motion seconded by Councilwoman Hawkins Charlton and unanimously approved.

Councilman Breish presented motion L and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council authorize Payment #2 in the amount of \$136,957.71 to AM-Liner East, Inc. for work completed on the Whites Road Sanitary Sewer Lining Project per the recommendation of Remington & Vernick, engineering consultants for this project.

Motion seconded by Vice President Fuller and unanimously approved.

**Councilman Breish** presented Motion M and read as follows:

I move that Borough Council authorize Payment #2 in the amount of \$189,414.01 to SJM Construction Company for work completed on the 2017 CDBG E. Third Street Improvement Project - Phase I) per the recommendation of Remington and Vernick, engineering consultants

for this project. This project is partially funded by the Montgomery County Community Development Block Grant Program.

Motion seconded by Councilwoman Hawkins Charlton and unanimously approved.

### Item #10 – Information Items

# **Mayor's Report: Mayor Herbert**

- 1. On Thursday March 28 I visited Royersford Borough with several other Montgomery County Mayors for our on-going Mayoral summits where we discuss ways of working together to support growth across the county. Lansdale played host to all the Mayors just yesterday. I walked my colleagues around Lansdale and highlighted the key changes we have made in the last several years and discussed how we are working closely with SEPTA and other key partners to intelligently grow our community.
- 2. On Monday April 1 Congressman Fitzpatrick's Office and I spoke with the Lansdale Post Office about ongoing mail issues in the borough. We have made positive movement on this front. Several areas in the borough feel their mail is now being delivered on a timely and accurate basis.
- 3. On Saturday April 8 I ran the Manna 5k. I would like to thank everyone who came out to support Manna and the great work that they do.
- 4. On Saturday April 13 I met with residents from Ward 1 with other members of council to discuss wastewater issues in their area that are affecting alleyways. On that same day I threw out the first pitch with Judge Ed Levine and Representative Malagari for North Penn Little League. Immediately following that I celebrated the 100th birthday of Dick Carlous where I issued a proclamation thanking him for his dedication to his community and his country. Finally, I attended the Blue Comet Motorcycle Club's annual banquet where we celebrated their tenure as a club.
- 5. On Tuesday April 15 I attended the new Manhattan Bagel Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.
- 6. On Monday April 22 I met with the Lansdale Lion's Club to discuss the state of the borough and our focus on infrastructure improvement.
- 7. On Saturday May 11 I had the great honor of announcing the game of the week for North Penn Little League.

# Solicitor's Report: Sean Kilkenny

- 1. Advised on Right to Know requests 1 hour
- 2. Worked on the 2015 International Fire Code ordinance 1 hour
- 3. Reviewed and revised the Library Community Room policy 3 hours
- 4. Worked on a litigation matter 18 hours
- 5. Worked with staff on delinquent electric accounts 1 hour

#### **Borough Manager's Report: John Ernst**

1. No report – Manager not present

#### **Comments for the good of Council:**

**Councilman Hansen** – It is that time of year again to remember to wear sunscreen.

**Councilwoman Hawkins Charlton** – Thank you to Dan Shinskie and staff for the Civics 101 tour of the WWTP, ot is always an interesting tour. Movie in White's Road Park is May 24.

**Councilman Breish** – He attended the WWTP tour and he learn a lot and was very impressed. He will be trying to organize a clean up on Main Street May 26 or 26 before the Memorial Day parade.

**Councilman Henning** – Attended the Manna's Evening of Gratitude on May 14. It was a nice event.

**Vice President Fuller** – Don't forget to attend the Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony May 27. On May 28 is the first concert in White's Road Park as our "Salute to Saldutti."

Agenda Item #11 – Old Business None

Agenda Item #12 New Business None

Meeting adjourned at 8:14.