

OFFICIAL MINUTES

JANUARY 6, 2014

SWEARING IN CEREMONIES

District Judge Daniel Maisano was presented with the Affidavits of Residency for Mayor Matthew W. Fetick, Councilmembers Geoffrey R. Bosley, Danilo P. Maffei, D. Lynn Sinclair, Brett M. Irwin and Patrick B. Taylor.

MAYOR

District Judge Daniel Maisano administered the Oath of Office to re-elect Mayor Matthew W. Fetick.

COUNCIL

District Judge Daniel Maisano administered the Oath of Office to the following three (3) re-elect Councilmembers:

Geoffrey R. Bosley, four (4) year term
Danilo P. Maffei, four (4) year term
D. Lynn Sinclair, four (4) year term

District Judge Daniel Maisano administered the Oath of Office to the following two (2) newly elected Councilmembers:

Brett M. Irwin, two (2) year term
Patrick B. Taylor, four (4) year term

The Regular Meeting of January 6, 2014 of Council for the Borough of Kennett Square was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Red Clay Room of the Kennett Fire Company No. 1, 423 Dalmatian Street, Kennett Square, Pennsylvania with Mayor Matthew W. Fetick in the Chair.

ROLL CALL

Present: *Councilmember Geoffrey R. Bosley*
Councilmember Brett M. Irwin
Councilmember Danilo P. Maffei
Councilmember George P. Plumley, III
Councilmember D. Lynn Sinclair
Councilmember Leon R. Spencer, Jr.
Councilmember Patrick B. Taylor
Mayor Matthew W. Fetick
Manager Brant Kucera
Solicitor Marc Jonas

OFFICE of PRESIDENT of BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Mayor requested nominations for the position of President of Borough Council.

Councilmember Sinclair nominated Councilmember Spencer to serve as President of Borough Council; seconded by Councilmember Taylor.

Councilmember Bosley nominated Councilmember Maffei to serve as President of Borough Council; seconded by Councilmember Irwin.

With no further nominations, the Mayor closed the nominations.

The Borough Secretary called the roll of votes for Councilmember Spencer to serve as President of Council. Councilmembers Sinclair, Taylor, Plumley and Spencer voted yes for Councilmember Spencer.

The Borough Secretary called the roll of votes for Councilmember Maffei to serve as President of Council. Councilmembers Maffei, Irwin and Bosley voted yes for Councilmember Maffei.

With a vote of 4 to 3, the Mayor declared that Councilmember Spencer has been elected to serve as President as Council.

OFFICE of VICE-PRESIDENT of BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Mayor requested nominations for the position of Vice President of Borough Council.

Councilmember Plumley nominated Councilmember Maffei to serve as Vice President of Borough Council; seconded by Councilmember Irwin.

With no further nominations, the Mayor closed the nominations and declared that Councilmember Maffei had been elected to serve as Vice President of Borough Council.

TRANSFER of the CHAIR

The Mayor passed the Chair to President Spencer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments from the floor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HISTORIC KENNETT SQUARE (HKS)

Ms. Mary Hutchins, Executive Director, reported the following:

- She thanked everyone for the hard work to make “Midnight in the Square” such a great event for the Borough. A follow-up meeting will be held tomorrow.

- HKS will hold their annual meeting at 6 p.m. on January 23rd at the Market at Liberty Place. They will be electing a new board member, president and vice president during the meeting.
- Philter Coffee is open for business and doing much better than the owner expected.
- Preparing for Winterfest to be held on February 22nd, there are just over 100 tickets still available.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION (HC)

Councilmember Sinclair, Chair of the Historical Commission, reported that they did not have a quorum for their meeting in December so they concentrated on preparations for the rescheduled 2014 Candlelight Holiday Home Tour.

KENNETT AREA PARK AUTHORITY (KAPA)

Pamela Carter, Vice Chair, highlighted her report for 2013 with the following:

- There were approximately 62,000 visitors to the park this year with the soccer league being the majority.
- KAPA continues to utilize the Master Site Plan prepared by Simone Collins.
- The Borough has vacated all of the maintenance buildings in the park and they are looking forward to the demolition of the large metal building.
- Phase 1 of the new playground opened in 2013. A fundraising initiative is underway for Phase 2.
- Working on erosion problems along the walking trail.
- 250 people participated in the 2013 Trout Rodeo.
- Continue to do research to resolve the algae problems on the ponds.
- The Summer Concert series was another great success this year.
- Eagle Scout replaced 15 bluebird houses throughout the park.
- They are working on revamping the reservation process for 2014.
- She thanked the Borough for their help throughout the year.

KENNETT AREA PARK and RECREATION BOARD (KAPRB)

Mrs. Claire Finfrock, Recreation Coordinator, highlighted her report with the following:

- Jr. Basketball League registration is now closed; 240 children are registered. She expressed her appreciation to the 40 sponsors that supported this league.
- Winter Lacrosse Clinics are currently in session at Greenwood Elementary School.
- Winter Soccer Shots – Youth Indoor Soccer will offer programs for children 4 to 8 at Greenwood Elementary School.
- KAPRB is gearing up for their spring programs with registrations underway.
- Summer Camp registration is also underway.
- Improvements continue at Pennock Park. The installation of the walking trail is now complete. 80 Green Giant Arborvitae trees were planted along the parking lot and upper field. A new paved front entrance has been installed and a new storage shed was purchased.

- In 2014, KAPRB will continue with beautification projects at the park such as the installation of electronic score boards and park benches.
- Ms. Finfrock stated that she cannot thank the Borough enough for their continual support and more specifically the assistance of Karen Scherer with grant applications.

CONSENT ITEMS

MINUTES of DECEMBER 2, 2013

President Spencer presented the December 2, 2013 minutes.

It was moved by Vice President Maffei and seconded by Councilmember Bosley to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

BILLS PAID SINCE the last MEETING

President Spencer presented the bills paid since the last meeting.

It was moved by Vice President Maffei and seconded by Councilmember Sinclair to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARDS and COMMISSIONS

RE-APPOINTMENTS

President Spencer presented the following Borough residents for re-appointment to their respective Boards and Commissions as follows:

Architectural Review Board - three (3) year term; expires January 2017

Eleanor Feit, 222 South Union Street

Civil Service Commission - six (6) year term; expires January, 2020

William H. Smith, III, 315 Meredith Street

Historical Commission - five (5) year term; expires January, 2019

Kimberlie Pezzuto, 121 West Mulberry Street

Kennett Area Park Authority - five (5) year term; expires January, 2019

Pamela Carter, 202 North Lincoln Street

Priscilla Roberts, 233 North Union Street

Kennett Area Parks and Recreation Board - three (3) year term; expires January, 2017

Michael Cangi, 710 South Walnut Street

David L. Myers, 312 Marshall Street

Planning Commission - four (4) year term; expires January, 2018

Myra Miller, 301 Scarlett Avenue

David L. Myers, 312 Marshall Street

Property Maintenance Appeals Board - five (5) year term; expires January, 2019

John Thomas, 406 South Broad Street

Shade Tree Commission - three (3) year term; expires January 2017

Peter Davis, 139 Magnolia Street

UCC Appeals Board - five (5) year term; expires January, 2019

Bruce Mitchell, 301 Dalmatian Street

Vacancy Board - one (1) year term; expires on January, 2015

Enrico Avello, Jr., 200 North Mill Road

Zoning Hearing Board - three (3) year term; expires January 1, 2017

John Evans, 207 Center Street

Zoning Hearing Board Alternate - three (3) year term; expires January 1, 2017

Hillary Holland Davis, 111 Magnolia Street

It was moved by Councilmember Bosley and seconded by Councilmember Sinclair to approve the re-appointments as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PAYMENT APPLICATION NO. 5 WALNUT STREET NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT DAN MALLOY PAVING

President Spencer presented Payment Application No. 5 to Dan Malloy Paving for the Walnut Street Neighborhood Improvements Project.

The Manager advised that this payment, in the amount of \$11,325.57, represents the costs associated with the LED street lights. The only remaining cost is the retainage in the amount of \$31,730.92.

It was moved by Vice President Maffei and seconded by Councilmember Sinclair to approve the payment as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments from the floor.

COUNCIL, MANAGER and MAYOR COMMENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mayor expressed his appreciation for everyone that came together to make Midnight in the Square such a special event. He added that from a public safety standpoint it was a safe and fun family event.

The Manager welcomed Councilmembers Irwin and Taylor and invited them as well as the rest of Council to take a tour of the Borough, especially the new Public Works facility.

The Manager advised that four (4) parking spaces have been installed at the trailhead in front of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The Manager commended the Public Works employees for their hard work maintaining the roadways during and after the recent snowstorms.

President Spencer announced that 3,128 pounds of food was collected on New Year's Eve as part of the Midnight in the Square event. The Kennett Food Cupboard gratefully received the donations as their shelves deplete rapidly, especially during this time of year.

President Spencer stated that titles do not mean a thing and no one person overshadows another on Council when we work as a team.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councilmember Taylor and seconded by Councilmember Plumley to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Karen L. Scherer

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Secretary