

Sellersville Borough Council
140 East Church Street
Sellersville, PA 18960

April 10, 2023
7:00 P.M.

The Regular April 10, 2023 Meeting of Sellersville Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Lois Dodson. All present joined in offering our National Pledge of Allegiance.

I. ROLL CALL:

Mayor: Thomas C. Hufnagle

Councilpersons: Lois A. Dodson, President
James G. Hull, President Pro Tem
Donald Crouthamel (via telephone)
Kathleen Hallman
Marie Howells
Lynne Saylor

Absent: Alexander M. Potoczny, Jr., Vice-President
Randal S. White, Esq., Borough Solicitor
Eileen M. Bradley, Manager

Engineer: Scott McMackin, Cowan Engineering

Borough Asst to Manager: Brenda Detweiler

Perkasie Police: Sergeant Alec Sprouse

II. CHANGES, ADDITIONS, DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

There were no changes, additions, or deletions to the addenda.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Decembrino of N. Branch Street spoke of his concerns about the proposed condominiums in the Rumpf building and the anticipated parking problems. Ms. Dodson said that nothing had been officially submitted to the Borough to date but encouraged him to follow future agendas to keep informed.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND HEARINGS:

There were no presentations or hearings at this time.

V. DEVELOPER ITEMS:

There were no developer items at this time.

VI. BOROUGH BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Minutes of March 13, 2023 Council Meeting
2. March 2023 Treasurer's Reports: See Treasurer's Report on file.
3. March 2023 Tax Collector's Reports: See Tax Collector's Report on file.
4. March 2023 Mayor Hufnagle's Report: See PPD Report on file.
5. March 2023 Reports from Operating Departments:
6. March 2023 Solicitor's Report: See Solicitor's Report on file.
7. March 2023 Engineer's Report: No Report Received.
8. March 2023 Reports from Commissions and Boards:
 - a. Public Management Committee Minutes of March 29, 2023
 - b. Parks and Recreation Board Minutes of March 7, 2023
 - c. Planning Commission Minutes
 - d. Zoning Hearing Board
 - e. Emergency Management Agency

A motion was made by Mr. Hull and seconded by Ms. Saylor, to approve the Consent Calendar items 1 through 8. The motion carried unanimously.

B. 2023 Street Resurfacing Award of Contract:

Mr. McMackin noted that seven bids had been received for the 2023 Street Resurfacing Program. The lowest responsible bidder was GoreCon, Inc. of Chalfont, with a bid of \$108,548.16. It was the recommendation of Staff to award the contract to GoreCon, Inc.

A motion was made by Mr. Hull, seconded by Ms. Saylor, and unanimously approved, to award the 2023 Street Resurfacing Program to GoreCon, Inc. of Chalfont for \$108,548.16.

C. Underground Stormwater Basin Discussion:

Mr. McMackin stated that as part of the reconstruction of Lawn Avenue, PennDOT had offered to install an underground stormwater system and parking lot at Druckenmiller Park. No official design had been submitted for Borough review, but he reviewed types of systems that might be offered. Underground systems require less maintenance than above-ground systems, similar to the maintenance of inlets. They may, however, be more expensive to fix if there are problems.

Ms. Saylor expressed concern over whether the basin would be large enough to manage the water flow. She was curious what other municipalities have had success with these types of systems. She also suggested they ask PennDOT to maintain it or give a warranty on it.

Mr. Hull suggested the system contain a line to run into the large intake at the creek by the firehouse.

Mrs. Hallman asked if lights could still be installed on top of the parking lot. Mr. McMackin stated as long as it was designed from the beginning to have lights on top, there would not be a problem.

VII. MAYOR, COUNCIL AND STAFF BUSINESS AND COMMENTS:

A. Council

Mr. Hull mentioned that he would like to request that PennDOT allow parking on certain days and times on Lawn Avenue. Although Council approved no parking on Lawn Avenue while the bridges were being repaired, he believed Council could now vote to allow parking again.

Ms. Dodson stated that Council had originally agreed on it as a temporary measure, but then agreed to make it a permanent rule. If he would like to make a motion to re-open the discussion, they could discuss it further. He stated that he would bring it up in the future instead.

Ms. Saylor expressed concern about the increase in off-leash dogs in the parks. Sergeant Sprouse mentioned that bike patrol of the parks would be starting up again and they would keep a close eye on the situation. It was suggested that Staff put a reminder announcement on Facebook that dogs need to be leashed at all times.

H. Manager

1. Appreciation Banquet

Mrs. Detweiler stated that all plans for the banquet were finalized and that she was waiting for responses.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. NPWA Annual Banquet Thursday, May 25, 2023

Mrs. Detweiler asked everyone to turn in their responses to Ms. Bradley and she would notify NPWA of their attendance and food choices.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment at this time.

X. AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYMENT OF INVOICES:

The monthly invoices were presented for payment authorization, with General and Sewer Fund Check Numbers 30747 through 30806 totaling \$319,952.22.

A motion was made by Mr. Hull and seconded by Mrs. Howells to authorize payment of Bills for the month of March 2023 totaling \$319,952.22. The motion carried unanimously.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Council convened into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. to discuss litigation. Council reconvened the Regular meeting at 8:28 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Crouthamel, seconded by Mrs. Howells, and unanimously approved, to direct the Borough Manager to release a check in the amount of \$37,000.00 to the West Rockhill-Sellersville Joint Recreation Authority as a contribution towards capital improvements and operating expenses for the 2023 season.

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no additional matters to come before this meeting of Council, President Lois Dodson declared the meeting duly adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of Council was scheduled for Monday, May 8, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Attest: _____
Eileen M. Bradley, Secretary
Sellersville Borough Council