

BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

PUBLIC MEETING

PRESENT: Tina Sokolowski, Council President
Kathleen Kingsley, Council Vice-President
Anita Barton, Senior Council Member
Alan Chmielewski, Council Member
Stacy Ellam, Council Member
Ralph Frey, Council Member
Adrian Serna, Council Member
Yaniv Aronson, Mayor

ALSO PRESENT: Stephanie Cecco, Borough Manager
Michael E. Peters, Borough Solicitor

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting of the Conshohocken Borough Council duly advertised, was held at the Conshohocken Borough Hall, 400 Fayette Street, Conshohocken, PA. Ms. Sokolowski, Borough Council President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Sokolowski announced that an Executive Session was held immediately prior to the regularly scheduled public meeting on property, personnel and legal matters.

PUBLIC COMMENT (for agenda items only)

There was no public comment pertaining to agenda items.

PRESENTATIONS

a.) Proclamation 2025-01 Recognizing January 27, 2025, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day

Mayor Aronson read a proclamation recognizing January 27, 2025, as International Holocaust Remembrance Day in the Borough of Conshohocken.

Mr. Serna made a motion to designate January 27, 2025 as International Holocaust Remembrance Day in the Borough of Conshohocken, seconded by Mr. Chmielewski. The motion carried 7-0.

b.) Present the final design of the 175th Anniversary Seal

Ms. Cecco shared final design renderings of the Borough seal and banner to be used in 2025 to celebrate the Borough's 175th Anniversary.

LAND USE MATTERS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

There were no land use matters, public hearings and ordinances.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Sokolowski read and reviewed the items included on the consent agenda.

- a.) Approve and adopt the December 4 and December 18 Regular Meeting Minutes**
- b.) Approve the December-ending Treasurer's Report and Accounts Payable**

Ms. Barton made a motion to approve and adopt the December 4 and December 18 Regular Meeting Minutes, seconded by Ms. Ellam. The motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Frey made a motion to approve the December-ending Treasurer's Report and Accounts Payable in the amount of \$1,803,348.89, seconded by Ms. Kingsley. The motion carried 7-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a.) Consider appointing an applicant to the Friends of Conshohocken Parks

Ms. Kingsley made a motion to appoint Walt Hartnett to the Friends of Conshohocken Parks, seconded by Mr. Frey. The motion carried 7-0.

b.) Consider appointing applicants to the Planning Commission

Ms. Kingsley made a motion to appoint Rob Martin and Vince Perozze to the Planning Commission, seconded by Mr. Frey. The motion carried 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

a.) Consider approving a grant matching letter for a Local Share Account (LSA) grant application for the Fayette Street Road Diet Project

Mr. Serna made a motion to approve a grant matching letter for a Local Share Account grant application for the Fayette Street Road Diet Project in the amount of \$566,458.00, seconded by Ms. Kingsley. The motion carried 7-0.

b.) Consider approving Resolution 2025-01 extending temporary parking regulations specifically a stop sign at West 1st Avenue and Maple Street and a handicap parking space in the area of 10 East 6th Avenue

Ms. Barton made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-01 extending temporary parking regulations specifically a stop sign at West 1st Avenue and Maple Street and a handicap parking space in the area of 10 East 6th Avenue, seconded by Ms. Kingsley. The motion carried 7-0.

c.) Consider approving tuition reimbursements for Officer Walter, Sergeant Conner and Detective Bahn

Ms. Kingsley made a motion to approve a tuition reimbursement for Officer Walter in the amount of \$7,312.30 plus the cost of books, seconded by Mr. Frey. The motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Serna made a motion to approve a tuition reimbursement for Sergeant Conner in the amount of \$699.00 plus the cost of books, seconded by Ms. Ellam. The motion carried 7-0.

Ms. Kingsley made a motion to approve a tuition reimbursement for Detective Bahn in the amount of \$1,365.00 plus the cost of books, seconded by Ms. Barton. The motion carried 7-0.

d.) Consider approving payment application no. 1 for the Traffic Signal Modernization Project along East and West Elm

Mr. Chmielewski made a motion to approve payment application no. 1 for the Traffic Signal Modernization Project along East and West Elm at the following locations and amounts: E. Elm and Harry in the amount of \$15,330.00, W. Elm and Colwell in the amount of \$78,034.63, W. Elm and Maple in the amount of \$53,771.55, and W. Elm and Oak in the amount of \$49,642.70, seconded by Ms. Ellam. The motion carried 7-0.

e.) Consider approving zoning escrow releases for 918 Maple Street and 228 Maple Street

Ms. Barton made a motion to approve zoning escrow releases for 918 Maple Street in the amount of \$956.77 plus interest and 228 Maple Street in the amount of \$221.73 plus interest, seconded by Mr. Serna. The motion carried 7-0.

COUNCIL AND MAYOR MATTERS

Mayor Aronson shared highlights from the Menorah Lighting. He announced the grand opening of Posigen. Mayor Aronson shared that Troop 140 in Conshohocken recently recognized four new Eagle Scouts. He provided information about the Kiwanis Club of Conshohocken and its upcoming Mardi Gras event.

Mr. Frey recognized the Conshohocken Fire Department for their quick response to a fire incident. He thanked the Boathouse for holding an event with the Eagles mascot, Swoop.

Ms. Barton shared an update on the Mary Wood Park Commission.

Mr. Serna recognized the Public Services Department for their hard work with the snow removal.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Cecco,
Borough Secretary