

BOROUGH OF CONSHOHOCKEN BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

PUBLIC MEETING

PRESENT: 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. Kingsley, Council Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no Council President announcements.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**a.) Presentation of the Winner's Jersey from the Simon's Heart Conshy Classic Bike Race, Joseph Secoges, QCW Cycling**

Joseph Secoges presented Council with the winner's jersey from the 2024 Simon's Heart Conshy Classic Bike Race.

**LAND USE MATTERS, PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES**

**a.) Waiver of Land Development Application for 101 Washington Street (SEPTA Surface Lot)**

Carl Weiner, attorney for the applicant, provided an overview of the application. He shared that the proposal includes a surface parking lot with 183 parking spaces, located west of the new SEPTA Conshohocken Regional Rail Station; stormwater management facilities; and a multi-use trail along the riverfront. He stated that the applicant received the variances necessary to construct a parking lot in the Floodplain Conservation District.

Kris Bellotti, the project engineer, described the scope and purpose of the project. He discussed the proposed site improvements which included a new surface parking lot, riverfront trail and pedestrian accommodations, stormwater management, landscaping and ADA-Accessibility improvements such as, ADA parking spaces and sidewalk ramps.

Mr. Weiner summarized the applicant's responses to the Borough professional review letters, most of which were "will comply". With respect to the zoning review letter, he explained that the applicant is willing to install ornamental shrubs/plantings in the parking lot planting islands. He reviewed the requested waivers.

Ms. Barton inquired about the vehicular circulation plan and proposed lighting plan. Mr. Bellotti responded that the applicant is proposing two-way traffic with 24-foot lanes and cobra head lighting.

Mr. Chmielewski asked that the applicant provide notification of the construction schedule to residential apartment buildings in the area.

Ms. Cecco stated that Borough Council will consider approving the waiver of land development application at the February Voting Meeting.

**b.) Discuss an amendment to the Parking Ordinance**

Ms. Cecco reviewed the proposed parking ordinance amendment which includes a stop intersection with an official stop sign at West First Avenue and Maple Street, a handicap parking space in the area of 10 East 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and a no parking sign on Robinson Alley between West 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and West Hector Street. She stated that that Borough Council will consider authorizing advertisement of the proposed ordinance amendment at the February Voting Meeting.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**a.) Conduct an interview for a vacancy on the Friends of Conshohocken Parks**

Ms. Kingsley announced that the interview for the applicant applying for Friends of Conshohocken Parks would be rescheduled.

**b.) Conduct an interview for a vacancy on the Human Relations Commission**

Ms. Kingsley introduced Allison Rehmann who was present to interview for the Human Relations Commission. Ms. Rehmann discussed her professional background in Talent Acquisition and Human Resources at Enterprise and shared how her experience with antidiscrimination laws could support the objective of Human Relations Commission.

**MANAGER MATTERS**

**a.) Discuss an RFP for the purchase of public space trash receptacles**

Ms. Cecco provided an overview of an RFP for twenty-five (25) fully enclosed trash receptacles with optional compactor and fullness sensor for use along Fayette Street. She discussed the scope of services and RFP timeline. She stated that the trash receptacles are an approved FY 2025 capital expense. Ms. Cecco asked Council to consider authorizing advertisement of the RFP at the February Voting Meeting.

**b.) Discuss an RFP for the replacement of windows at the A-Field**

Ms. Cecco provided an overview of an RFP for the replacement of thirty-two (32) windows at the Field House at the A-Field. She discussed the scope of services and RFP timeline. She stated that the window replacement project is an approved FY 2025 capital expense. Ms. Cecco asked Council to consider authorizing advertisement of the RFP at the February Voting Meeting.

**c.) Consider accepting the resignation of a Zoning Hearing Board member**

Ms. Barton made a motion to accept Mark Danek's resignation from the Zoning Hearing Board, seconded by Mr. Frey. The motion carried 6-0. (Sokolowski absent)

**d.) Consider approving Resolution 2025-02 appointing a member to the Zoning Hearing Board**

Mr. Frey made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-02 appointing Dennis Fay to the current permanent vacancy on the Zoning Hearing Board, seconded by Mr. Chmielewski. The motion carried 6-0. (Sokolowski absent)

**e.) Consider approving payment certificate no. 6 for the Sutcliffe Park Trail Reconstruction Project in the amount of \$119,904.16**

Ms. Ellam made a motion to approve payment certificate no. 6 for the Sutcliffe Park Trail Reconstruction Project in the amount of \$119,904.16 contingent upon the Borough's receipt of the completed certified payrolls, seconded by Ms. Barton. The motion carried 6-0. (Sokolowski absent)

**f.) Consider approving 720 Spring Mill Avenue financial security escrow release no. 5 in the amount of \$126,449.75**

Mr. Serna made a motion to approve 720 Spring Mill Avenue financial security escrow release no. 5 in the amount of \$126,449.75, seconded by Mr. Frey. The motion carried 6-0. (Sokolowski absent)

**g.) Consider approving 400 West Elm Street financial security escrow release no. 5 (final) in the amount of \$76,274.18**

Mr. Serna made a motion to approve 400 West Elm Street financial security escrow release no. 5 (final) in the amount of \$76,274.18, seconded by Ms. Barton. The motion carried 6-0. (Sokolowski absent)

**h.) Consider approving 51 Washington Street professional services escrow release no. 1 (final) in the amount of \$90,071.63 plus interest**

Mr. Chmielewski made a motion to approve 51 Washington Street professional services escrow release no. 1 (final) in the amount of \$90,071.63 plus interest, seconded by Mr. Frey. The motion carried 6-0. (Sokolowski absent)

**i.) Consider approving a tuition reimbursement for Officer Smith for the 2025 spring semester**

Ms. Barton made a motion to approve a tuition reimbursement for Officer Smith for the 2025 spring semester in the amount of \$4,037.78, seconded by Ms. Ellam. The motion carried 6-0. (Sokolowski absent)

**j.) Consider ratifying medical disability retirement for Officer Glasgow**

**Mr. Serna made a motion to ratify the medical disability retirement for Officer Joseph Glasgow as of January 31, 2025, seconded by Ms. Barton. The motion carried 6-0. (Sokolowski absent)**

**LEGAL MATTERS**

There were no legal matters.

**COUNCIL MEMBER AND MAYOR MATTERS**

Mayor Aronson shared that Troop 140 in Conshohocken recently recognized a new Eagle Scout. He discussed the Soccer Shots program at the Community Center. He shared pictures from the Kindness Challenge at Conshohocken Elementary School. Mayor Aronson shared resources and information about Black History Month.

Mr. Frey thanked Borough staff for hosting the Eagles Pep Rally and bringing such a fun and safe experience to Fayette Street.

Ms. Kingsley encouraged everyone to check out the Black History Month events at the Conshohocken Free Library. She read a statement recognizing Black History Month and the influential work and accomplishments of the Black community in the Borough of Conshohocken.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Stephanie Cecco,  
Borough Secretary