

REGULAR MEETING
BOROUGH COUNCIL
MALVERN BOROUGH

February 21, 2012
7:30 P.M.

PRESIDING: Woody J. Van Sciver, President

INVOCATION: Gerard J. McGlone, Mayor

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

1. ROLL CALL:
 - Council President Van Sciver
 - Council Vice President Raymond
 - Council Member Giandonato
 - Council Member Macaleer
 - Council Member McCrory - ABSENT
 - Council Member Sponenbergh
 - Council Member Uzman
 - Mayor McGlone

2. PUBLIC FORUM:

Council President informed all present that copies of the agenda are available at the front desk. This is a Public Session of Council. Should any citizen/taxpayer wish to offer comments on any item on the agenda, now is the time to bring those comments before Council. Are there any citizens/taxpayers who wish to bring before Council any item not on the agenda?

- a. Presentation of the Proposed Malvern/Willistown Greenway Trail by Land Concepts Group – Rich Collier and David Cavanaugh from Land Concepts Group presented the proposed greenway trail and highlighted some of the “sticking” points where additional easements will be needed. They explained that the trail will have mostly hard surfaces but that in some areas, a soft surface may be considered. Hard trails require less maintenance and could last as long as fifteen years. A joint public meeting will be held for residents of Willistown Township and Malvern Borough and the goal is to have the Master Plan completed by early summer.

- b. Presentation by Pro Cycling Tour – a MB&PA Event – Rich Ruoff from Pro Cycling Tour reported that this event is a new series of races for Chester County, called the Chesco GrandPrix. There are seven municipalities who will be participating in this Cycling Series. Mr. Ruoff explained that this event is similar to a festival, with an expo area for vendors and food concessions and the Tour will work with a local organizing committee to grow the excitement and to find sponsors for the event. The event is expected to bring approx. 2,000 people into the Borough. The feature event is the Pro Men who will do 50-60 laps in 30-40 minutes, at an average of 30 MPH. There will also be events for kids in between the adult races.

Mr. Ruoff stated that he is before Council to ask for approval of the race to be held on Friday, June 29th from 5-9 pm with the streets being closed from approximately 3-10 pm.

Following questions by Council concerning liability being underwritten by Pro Cycling Tour, reimbursement of police costs, publicity for the event with the idea of letting the residents know in advance of street closures, advanced signage, etc., Council unanimously agreed to approve the race in the Borough.

c. Malvern Blooms May Event – Event Planners John & Laura Lotz – Laura Lotz reported that Malvern Blooms will be held on Sunday, May 6th. The charity this year is *Teach Anti-Bullying, Inc.*. The Doctor that runs the charity will donate six books to the Malvern Public Library and conduct two educational programs; one for teachers and one for kids. John Lotz reported that the Malvern Blooms festival has been very successful in the past and this year they want to reach out to other people who may have other interests. They proposed two additional activities that they would like to incorporate into the event; one, a backyard grilling contest; and two, a beer garden. The grilling contest will be administered by the Mid Atlantic BBQ Association sanctioned Backyard Grilling Cook-off and they will insure that all of their rules are complied with for the event. They have secured two “celebrity” judges – Tim Furlong, NBC 10 reporter and host of *Philly Foodies Show* and Vinnie Caligiuri, a contestant on the Food Network’s *Worst Cooks in America*. The second activity is a contained *Beer Garden* that would be in partnership with Mueller, Inc. and The Flying Pig. Mr. Lotz explained that Beer Garden’s have been successful at increasing attendance at other area festivals and that it would be an entry controlled area with ID’s being checked and wristbands provided prior to entry. The liquor liability insurance will be provided by the Flying Pig and general liability insurance will be provided by MBPA and JAL Marketing, LLC. They are confident that both of these events can be run in a manner that is well controlled.

The question of public drunkenness was raised and Mr. Lotz responded that, although the festival runs from 10-4, the Beer Garden will not open until 12 and will close at 3:30-4:00 to limit how much people are drinking. Entertainment will also be in the location of the Beer Garden.

Borough Council approved both activities.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Council Member Sponenbergh, seconded by Council Member Uzman and unanimously carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the minutes of the Reorganization and Regular Meetings held on Tuesday, January 3 and January 17, 2012, as submitted.

4. APPROVAL OF REPORTS:

A motion was made by Council Vice President Raymond, seconded by Council Member Sponenbergh and unanimously carried by a vote of 6-0 to approve the Treasurer’s Report, the Committee Reports for Finance and Administration, Public Safety, Public Works and the Chief of Police Report, the Code Enforcement Officer’s Reports (Building Inspector’s Report, Housing

and Property Maintenance Report and Zoning Report), the Superintendent of Public Works Report and the Manager's Report for the month of January 2012, as submitted.

5. ESCROW RELEASE – TAG BUILDERS:

A motion was made by Council Member Uzman, seconded by Council Member Sponenbergh and unanimously carried by a vote of 6-0 to authorize the request of Escrow Release #4 to Greenstone Development II Corp. (TAG Builders), Griffith Avenue, in the amount of \$19,830, as recommended by the Borough Engineer.

6. OTHER BUSINESS:

a. Malvern Train Station – Council President Van Sciver stated that the Borough appreciated all the work that SEPTA completed at the Malvern Train Station. He did question whether something could be done to separate the old stone from the new stone at the tunnel as it would complete the project. Also, the signs on the tunnel should be replaced as they show signs of wear and of being hit.

The Manager will contact SEPTA to make the request regarding the stone.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

All business having been discussed, a motion was made by Council Member Uzman, seconded by Council Member Sponenbergh and unanimously carried by a vote of 6-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT VAN SCIVER ANNOUNCED THAT COUNCIL WOULD NOW MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Kelley
Secretary/Manager