

REGULAR MEETING
BOROUGH COUNCIL
MALVERN BOROUGH

August 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 - ABSENT
 - Council Member Macaleer
 - Council Member McCrory
 - Council Member Sponenbergh
 - Council Member Uzman - ABSENT
 - 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?

Mayor McGlone left the meeting.

- a. John Buckley, 165 Church Street, inquired if the contractors doing the road work had access to the alley behind his house. He also questioned why the aprons for the Powelton Avenue streetscape project are different for the McGarrigle's and one other property owner. He reported that the contractors for the E. King Street development are still parking in the Church Street municipal lot.

- b. Joan Yeager, Raintree Lane, asked if anything could be done about the unattractive condition of the post office – unkempt landscaping and entry doors that look beat up. Council indicated a letter asking for a better presentation might be appropriate.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Council Member Macaleer, seconded by Council Member Sponenbergh and carried by a vote of 4-1 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, July 17, 2012, as submitted. Council Vice President Raymond abstained.

4. APPROVAL OF REPORTS:

A motion was made by Council Vice President Raymond and seconded by Council Member McCrory 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 July 2012, as submitted.

Council Member Sponenbergh stated that it appears we are about 11% in advance of our spending based on last year. Council Member Macaleer stated that salaries and wages are about \$47K ahead of last year. A query will be made to the manager to ask if some timing issues are present to account for this increase.

Council Vice President Raymond inquired as to why the Police Report contained an item indicating \$45.00 was missing. Since the Mayor had left and the Chief was not in attendance, the question will be investigated. Council Vice President Raymond stated that she had not had time to review prior minutes relative to an opportunity to amend and Council agreed any amendment Council Vice President Raymond might want regarding her statements, could be done retroactively.

The motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the reports as submitted.

5. AWARD BID – 2012 ROAD PAVING PROGRAM:

A motion was made by Council Member Sponenbergh, seconded by Council Vice President Raymond and unanimously carried by a vote of 5-0 to award the bid for the paving of W. Broad Street from Longford Ave. to Bridge Street (south side only) and Griffith Avenue from King Street to Monument Avenue (west side only) to Dan Malloy Paving, Inc., in the amount of \$18,958.00, as recommended by the Borough Engineer.

6. OTHER BUSINESS:

a. Discuss Recommendation of Borough Engineer re. Paving of Everett's Alley at TAG Builders, 144 Church Street – Council President Van Sciver advised that the Manager reported if paving alleyway is desired by Council, sufficient funds are available from the paving budget to do so. Council President Van Sciver further reported that the Public Works Superintendent concurred "light" paving specification was sufficient vs. typical road specifications. The Borough Engineer's letter was reviewed with the estimate.

Council Member McCrory inquired why the Borough was being asked to pave the alley now and why not the developer? Council President Van Sciver advised that question would have had to have been raised prior to the preliminary plan approval, but, at the time, paving the alley was not a discussion item. At the preliminary plan approval, Council determined it would figure out how to deal with the alley within sixty days. Council President Van Sciver advised he was unsure how paving the alley became a concern directed toward the Borough, but the Borough has and continues to maintain the alley by plowing and stoning as required. Paving the alley could ultimately reduce the maintenance cost to the Borough, but this would need to be verified by the Supt. of Public Works and the Manager. Council President Van Sciver further advised the paving question came up at the last meeting, but Council President Van Sciver wanted to insure the Borough Engineer offered his opinion on storm water impacts of any paving since that had not been reviewed as part of the development plan.

Council Member McCrory suggested we review what other alleys in the Borough might be suitable for paving so we can determine whether Everett's Alley should be prioritized or not with the available paving funds.

Carroll Siquett, a member of the Planning Commission, advised that at the Planning Commission meetings, the neighbors stated that they would have preferred the alley not to be paved.

John Buckley asked why the developer of the house at Roberts Lane and Everett's alley did not pave the alley there.

Council decided to table the questions until an overview of other possible alley pavings could be provided so Everett's Alley could be prioritized.

b. Discuss Letter to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation on behalf of the Malvern Fire Company – Council agreed to send a letter on behalf of the Malvern Fire Company. Council President Van Sciver executed the letter to be mailed.

c. Public Meeting on September 25th from 4:00-7:00 p.m. for the Malvern Transit Oriented Development Plan – Council President Van Sciver announced the Transit Oriented Development public meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 25th from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Council President Van Sciver reported on the kick-off meeting and identified the attendees. Stakeholders were identified who would be subject to queries and opinion solicitation by the consultants. The primary purpose of the TOD public meeting will be to obtain public input for the study.

d. Malvern Train Station – Council Vice President Raymond advised that the light in the Warren Avenue tunnel is broken (hit by car/truck) and needs replacement.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

All business having been discussed, a motion was made by Council Member Sponenbergh, seconded by Council Vice President Raymond and unanimously carried by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Woody Van Sciver
President, Borough Council