

**MINUTES OF DUBLIN BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2021**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** The October 12, 2021, meeting of Borough Council was held at Borough Hall, 119 Maple Avenue, Dublin, PA. Council President, Jeffrey Sharer, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Mayor:	Chris Hayes	
Council:	Jeffrey Sharer	Brent Smith
	Matthew Mayes	Gary Mast
	William Benonis	Robert Olsen
	Timothy Hayes	

**APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Borough Manager:	Laurie A. Hagey
Borough Solicitor:	Michael Kracht, Esq.
Borough Engineer:	Thomas F. Zarko, P.E.*
Police Chief:	Michael Regan
Fire Chief:	Kevin Nugent
Emergency Management Coordinator:	M. Philip Myers

\*Not Present

\*\*Late Arrival

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:** President Sharer lead Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Council President Announcements:** Mayor Hayes swore in Officer Patrick Bastek.
- 4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:** There were no public comments at this time.
- 5. Approval of Minutes:**
- 5.1. Minutes of Meeting of September 27, 2021:**

**MOTION:** A Motion to approve the Minutes of the September 27, 2021, Council Meeting was made by Mr. Olsen, seconded by Mr. Benonis, and unanimously carried.

**6. Payment of Bills:**

- 6.1. Bills List dated October 8, 2021, in the amount of \$49,682.16 (all funds):**

**MOTION:** Mr. Benonis made a Motion, seconded by Mr. Timothy Hayes, and unanimously carried, to approve the Bill Lists dated October 8, 2021, totaling \$49,682.16.

**7. Borough Official Reports:**

- 7.1. Dublin Fire Company:** Kevin Nugent presented the Dublin Fire Company report for September 2021.

**7.2. Mayor:** Mayor Hayes reported a new business, Neshaminy Creek Brewing Company, opened in The Square on October 1<sup>st</sup>, and seems to be very successful. Many people came out to the grand opening making it a great success.

Mayor Hayes also reported the Grand View Health Outpatient Center had their ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, which he attended. Also in attendance were Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick and State Senator Steve Santarsiero. After the ribbon-cutting, there was a discussion regarding the Borough's interest in having the DART system (public transportation system) available to Borough residents wishing to travel into the Doylestown/Perkasie areas. This is an option the Borough can investigate in the future. There was also mention of a Route 313 Bypass to possibly be constructed in the very distant future.

**7.3. Borough Manager:** In addition to her written report, Mrs. Hagey reported the Bucks County Commissioners, at the most recent Zoom meeting with the County Municipal Managers, announced they would like to distribute \$8 million among the County's Emergency Service Corps, with the County giving \$6 million, and the municipalities in the County paying the remaining \$2 million by splitting the amount due based on population. This \$8 million payment will allow ambulance service to continue in the County for the next three years. The Commissioners stated they are hoping for changes in legislation in year four to help fix the financial problems faced by Emergency Services in the County.

**7.4. Chief of Police:** Chief Regan provided the Police Report for September 2021. There were 97 calls for the month. The police department is now utilizing the new CODY information reporting system. Mr. Mast asked what the CODY system does. Chief Regan stated CODY replaces the Informant system for reporting and the upgrades makes it easier to access information and report information. The Bucks County CAD system, which was scheduled for a September 14, 2021, start, has been rescheduled for October 14, 2021. Officer Sands participated in a regional DUI checkpoint. Sergeant Kirk, Officer Sands, Officer Barrington, and Investigator McClelland completed firearms qualifications. Sergeant Kirk and Officer Swinehart participated in the Plumstead Law Enforcement Night. Officer Burkhardt and Officer Swinehart assisted with traffic and pedestrian crossings at the Dublin History Walking Tour.

**7.5. Borough Engineer:** There was no report at this time.

**7.6. Borough Solicitor:** There was no report at this time.

## **8. Discussion Items:**

**8.1. Presentation of Municipal Report from Pennridge Community Center:** Carol Shultz of Maple Avenue, who represents Dublin on the Advisory Board at Pennridge Community Center, is asking Council if Dublin Borough would consider making a donation to the Community Center. There are residents from Dublin who receive services from the Center, such as Meals on Wheels, free tax return services and other free activities. The Community Center has several fundraisers throughout the year to offset expenses; however, fundraising efforts were greatly reduced in 2020 and into 2021 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

**8.2. Renew Waste Management Contract for Two (2) One (1) Year Periods:** Mrs. Hagey provided the renewal option of the current Contract between the Borough and Waste Management for services in the Borough. It is recommended the Borough exercise the renewal option, as stated in the Contract, for two (2) one-year periods.

**MOTION:** A Motion was made by Mr. Smith to authorize the renewal of the Contract between the Borough and Waste Management for two (2) one-year periods, with the rates as listed in the Contract, and it was seconded by Mr. Mast. The Motion unanimously carried.

**9. Committee Reports:** Mr. Smith reported the Finance Committee met prior to tonight's meeting to discuss the 2022 Budget. The Finance Committee will meet again prior to the start of the Council Meeting on October 25<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. The goal is to advertise the final version of the Budget by November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**10. Other Business:** None.

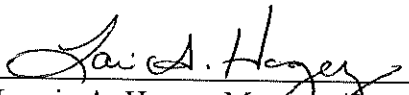
**11. Public Comment:** There were no public comments.

**12. Comments from Council Members:** There were no comments from Council Members.

**13. Adjournment:** Upon motion by Mr. Smith, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date Approved: 10/25/2021

  
Laurie A. Hagey, Manager/Secretary