

**MINUTES OF DUBLIN BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2023**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The March 27, 2023, meeting of Borough Council was held in Borough Hall at 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	Robert Olsen
	William Benonis	Timothy Hayes
	Philip Kessler	

APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Borough Manager:	Colleen M. Pursell
Borough Solicitor:	Caroline Zook, Esq.
Borough Engineer:	Thomas F. Zarko, P.E.
Police Chief:	Michael Regan*
Fire Chief:	Kevin Nugent
Emergency Management Coordinator:	M. Philip Meyers*

*Not Present

**Late Arrival

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** President Sharer led Council and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Council President Announcements:** There were no announcements at this time.

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 March 13, 2023:**

Motion by Mr. Mayes, seconded by Mr. Timothy Hayes and unanimously carried, the minutes of the March 13, 2023 meeting were approved, as presented.

6. **Payment of Bills:**

- 6.1. **Bills List dated March 27, 2023, in the amount of \$203,378.80 (all funds):**

Motion by Mr. Benonis, seconded by Mr. Smith and unanimously carried, Council approved the bills list dated March 27, 2023, in the amount of \$203,378.80.

7. **Discussion Items:**

7.1. Discussion on Watershed Restoration and Protection Program Grant Opportunity: Mr. Zarko explained that DCED has a grant opportunity that could potentially be used for the Dublin Village Greene Detention Basin Modifications Project. The Watershed Restoration and Protection Program Grant is an 85/15 match, with a maximum amount of \$300,000.00 per project. The applications are due by May 31, 2023. Mr. Zarko is requesting authorization from Council to apply for the grant. If awarded, the Borough would find out by the end of the year and the project could start in Spring of 2024.

Motion by Mr. Mayes seconded by Mr. Olsen and unanimously carried, to apply for the Watershed Restoration and Protection Program Grant, which is funded by DCED.

7.2. Green Light Go Project – Mr. Zarko advised that the Borough was awarded a grant in the amount of \$129,000.00 for the GLG (Green Light Go) Project. The Borough is required to match \$32,000.00. The total project cost is approximately \$162,000.00. PennDOT approved the permit plans for the GLG project, so the next step would be bidding the project. McMahon Associates was authorized to prepare the documents to go out to bid for this GLG project. McMahon completed the documents and would like authorization to put the project out for bid. President Sharer asked what is involved with this project. Mr. Zarko explained there will be different modifications at each intersection in Dublin Borough. Main Street and Rickerts Road will have a battery backup, a GPS timeclock and the signal heads will be replaced with LED signal indicators. On Main Street and Dublin Village Apartments, there will be a GPS timeclock and LED units and on Main Street and Maple Avenue, there will be GPS timeclock modifications and radar detections. President Sharer asked if the signals will be set on a schedule. Mr. Zarko stated they would be set in the morning in one direction and set at night in the other direction.

Motion by Mr. Benonis seconded by Mr. Timothy Hayes and unanimously carried, to have McMahon Associates advertise the bid for the Green Light Go Project.

7.3. Approval of Pay Estimates No. 3 Final for Pedestrian Walkway Installation Project Phases I & II: Mr. Zarko informed Council that the Pedestrian Walkway installation project has been completed, except for two minor punch list items. Additionally, there will be some minor restoration work in the Spring. Mr. Zarko recommends approval of Pay Estimate No. 3 Final for Phase I in the amount of \$69,888.35 and Phase II in the amount of \$32,713.50. President Sharer asked how we can be assured that the contractors will come back and finish the work after they are paid. Mr. Zarko informed him there is a 100% performance / maintenance bond from the contractor which is in effect for one year.

Motion by Mr. Benonis, seconded by Mr. Mayes and unanimously carried, Council approved Pay Estimates No. 3 Final for the Pedestrian Walkway Installation Project Phases I & II.

7.4. House Numbering Proposal: At the February 27, 2023 Council Meeting, the President of the Dublin Crossings Association, Justin Drellich, discussed adding house numbers and “Bishop Way” to the overhang of the Bishop Way homes facing Elephant Road. President Sharer previewed the proposed sign with Council. It will have laser cut numbers and words in black mounted in a white backer plate, 30” long, with lettering at 4”. Chief Nugent understands what they are trying to do, he is just worried that an ambulance might only see the number and stop there and worried that it could be a liability. It is not an issue for the local emergency responders, it would be a problem if another ambulance would come, and they don’t know the area.

