

Borough of Morrisville
Special Meeting of Borough Council
Held in Council Chambers, 35 Union Street, Morrisville, PA
Tuesday, November 10, 2009

After a moment of silent prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance, Dorothy Gaydula took roll call, those present were: Council President Nancy Sherlock, Vice President Kathryn Panzitta, Edward Bailey, Jane Burger, Eileen Dreisbach, Rita Ledger, Dave Rivella Acting Borough Manager Dorothy Gaydula, Acting Assistant Borough Manager Robert Seward and Solicitor James Downey.

Mayor Tom Wisnosky and Councilperson Steve Worob were absent.

Council-elect representatives were also present at the Budget Sessions.

Donna Boone Director of Landmark Towns gave a presentation on Landmark Towns and the Way finding Project status. She would like us to adopt this plan as official. She is not asking us to agree to any specific color at this time regarding the signs. The purpose is to recognize the signs along the Canal corridor. There is some interpretive signage that can also be used. Recommended locations for the signs are in the plan. \$10,000 has been set aside for Morrisville; this is for the prototype only. The Economic Development piece will be available at the next Landmarks Board Meeting. Landmark Towns has also applied for Growing Greener money.

Public Comment

Bill Setzer: He thanked the Rivellas for their donation of 5 trees provided by Tree Vitalize. Also, thanks to Ron Scheese and Mr. Cooper, Borough employees who helped plant them. Three trees were planted at the Borough Hall and two by the Williamson Park Pavilion. Bill is concerned about the staging area that will be used when they start the Calhoun Bridge project. Perhaps we could broker a deal with the Bridge Commission and receive some money if they would choose to use the area just South of the Theater.

Sharon Hughes: The Summerseat Carol Sing is on December 2nd at 7pm. All are welcome. Sharon also made announcements regarding Winterfest happenings on December 5th starting at 9:00am at the Senior Center.

Robert Seward, Code Enforcement Officer gave an update on the Jazner project. We have all the proper paperwork at this time. He also gave a report about the traffic situation at Smokey Joe's. We have a temporary answer that we are working on to alleviate the congestion. We will evaluate it after a number of weeks to see if the situation is any different. Smokey Joes will be responsible to install the bollards.

There was some discuss regarding the remaining money from the DRJTBC Compact Grant money. Everyone liked the idea of replacing the light heads on the decorative lights on Bridge Street. Robert Sward will get some quotes. Dave Rivella would like to see us use Led lights, they are green, more effective and they use less energy. He would like us to start a pilot Led program.

Council needs to discuss how they would like to spend the \$1,000 Landmark Towns grant that we can apply for, but have not done so yet.

Dog Park discussion: there were some changes being made. We will offer the draft to Ellen Stevie and ask her to get back to us with her thoughts.

We started our budget session. The Borough's assessment is \$579,000 less this year, with 18 assessments just in recently.

Points discussed:

- Need to call our State Representative about the recycling grant money that we are waiting for.
- We can add a revenue line for the biannual inspections on rental properties
- Need to advertise for a full time position in the office soon.

Motion to adjourn by Jane Burger and seconded, motion passed by voice vote 7-0

Adjourned at 10:27

Immediately following the meeting there was an executive session regarding negotiations.

Submitted,

Dorothy Gaydula
Acting Borough Manager