



MEETING MINUTES
MORRISVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
EMERGENCY MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2020
7:00 P.M.

The Morrisville Borough Council met on Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via tele-conference for an Emergency Council Meeting.

Mr. Mitchell stated, for the benefit of the public and the record, this is an Emergency Council meeting, March 31st 2020. This is council chambers at Morrisville Borough Hall. Due to the COVID-19 situation, Council is participating via tele-conference and we will start in just a minute by taking role. For those of you on the phone who are just joining us, if you happen to be watching the meeting by broadcast, I would encourage you to either turn it off or at least mute the volume because you will cause us to get feedback. It's 7:00, so I'm going to start unless the Council President wants to I'll take role.

Mr. Parker stated, that's fine.

Mr. Mitchell took roll call.

Those in Attendance:

Borough Council: Ted Parker, President
Bob Paul, Vice President
Justin Bowers
Eileen Dreisbach
Helen Hlahol
Scott Robinson
Nancy Sherlock
Michael Yager

Borough Officials: Scott Mitchell, Borough Manager
Dave Rivella, Mayor
Randy Flager, Solicitor
Scott Holbert, Solicitor

Not in Attendance: Virginia Cyphers, Assistant Borough Secretary
Micah Heitz, Finance Director
Victoria Sullivan, Junior Councilperson

Mr. Parker stated, at this time, I'll just duplicate what the Manager said, this is an Emergency Meeting of the Morrisville Borough Council to extend the declaration of the State of Emergency that we're currently in.

Mr. Mitchell asked, has anyone else joined since roll call? Okay Mr. President, I think it's all yours.

Mr. Parker stated, call for a motion to extend the Borough's declaration of the State of Emergency through April 30th, 2020 to coincide with the declaration by the Governor. Can I have a motion?

Motion to extend the Borough's declaration of the State of Emergency through April 30th, 2020 to coincide with the declaration by the Governor.

Motion made by Mr. Bowers.

Seconded by Ms. Sherlock.

Mr. Parker asked, any discussion?

Ms. Sherlock stated, I notice it takes us to April 30th, but when we have to come back again or can we put in the language to extend it automatically if the Governor does?

Mr. Flager replied, you can use that language or you could give the Council President that authority with the Manager. It's your choice, you could amend the motion to say that.

Mr. Yager stated, if I may, I don't find it extremely intrusive to jump on a call like this if we have to extend it again. I'd be more comfortable if we just did it for the finite period of time that's explained.

Ms. Sherlock stated, okay, I'm fine with it this way also. We don't know what the next four weeks will bring.

Mr. Parker stated, if I may suggest, if the Governor does extend it, which if he does he will do it in advance of the 30th that we'll just schedule another emergency tele-conference.

Ms. Sherlock stated, prior to the deadline then, okay.

Mr. Flager stated, or you'll probably have a tele-conference Council meeting which it can be done at that time if the Governor is extending it.

Ms. Sherlock stated, very good.

Mr. Parker stated, okay, we have the motion moved and we have a second. Roll call please.

Mr. President before you call the roll I think somebody beeped in during the course of the discussion and I'm wondering if it was Ms. Hlahol.

Ms. Hlahol stated, it was indeed.

Mr. Mitchell stated, thank you. Welcome. Just to catch you up, a motion has been made and seconded to extend the disaster declaration until April 30th. We're about to call roll call vote on that unless you have any discussion.

Ms. Hlahol replied, no, I'm good.

Mr. Mitchell stated, all right then I'll proceed. It was moved by Mr. Bowers seconded by Ms. Sherlock and I'll call the roll.

Motion carried by roll call vote 8-0.

Mr. Parker stated, my understanding is that we have to adjourn the meeting it was just for this.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Sherlock.

Seconded by Ms. Dreisbach.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.