### BRISTOL TOWNSHIP 2501 BATH ROAD BRISTOL, PA 1907

JUNE 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012

#### COUNCIL MEETING

President Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM.

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Mr. Bowen Present
Mr. Glasson Present
Ms. Longhitano Present
Mr. Pluta Present
Mr. Tucker Present
Vice President Brennan Present
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President Lewis stated that monthly reports are available for review in the Township Manager's Office. Additionally, public comments will be taken on Land Development and official action items. General comments will be taken during opportunity for residents to address Council. Council discussed litigation and real estate matters prior to the meeting during Executive Session.

#### **VOUCHER LIST & REQUISITIONS AND MINUTES**

Motion by Mr. Bowen and seconded by Vice President Brennan to approve the Voucher List & Requisitions for June 21, 2012.

Linda Tarlini of 3012 West Avenue made several inquiries pertaining to the bill report. Township Manager McCauley stated he was not prepared to answer questions regarding a multitude of bills on the report, but would be happy to provide answers to these questions after further review.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-2, with Mr. Pluta and Mr. Tucker abstaining, and Mr. Glasson abstaining from one bill, #3443.

Motion by Vice President Brennan and seconded by Mr. Glasson to approve the minutes from the May  $17^{th}$  Council Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

## BRISTOL TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING JUNE $21^{ST}$ , 2012 CONTINUED

Motion by President Lewis and seconded by Mr. Glasson to change the order of the meeting agenda to address Ordinances and Resolutions prior to Presentations.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

### ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A Resolution Honoring Edith Lerman upon her retirement from Bristol Township after 43 years of service: Consideration to Adopt.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

A Resolution Honoring Herring Properties LLC, OKNA Windows and Doors, and AIRGAS for their Contributions to the Resurfacing of the Basketball Courts at Humphries Park: Consideration to Adopt.

Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

President Lewis also recognized Man Up, an organization from Bloomsdale-Fleetwing that were the catalysts in initiating the rehabilitation of the basketball courts in Humphries Park.

President Lewis thanked Township Manager McCauley for his integral part in obtaining the donations for Humphries Park.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Matthew Johnston of Pennoni Associates made a presentation regarding the Croydon Streetscape Project, outlining the scope of the construction and aesthetic additions.

Township Manager McCauley asked Mr. Johnston to explain the next steps in the Project with regard to the construction schedule and other milestones. Mr. Johnston stated that some paperwork still needs to be addressed; afterward Bristol Township will need to bring on an inspector for the project. Mr. Johnston stated that hopefully a contract would be awarded this fall, and that most of the construction work would occur after the winter months. Construction is estimated to take about six months.

Linda Tarlini of 3012 West Avenue had a question regarding funding.

Cathy Raupp of Indian Creek asked for a list of the trees and plantings involved in the project.

Ellen Miller of Margo Gardens inquired as to whether the pavers involved in the project would be permeable. Mr. Johnston stated the pavers would be impermeable, but there would be less impervious surface after the project than prior to construction.

Harry Gilbert of Croydon expressed concerns over potential flooding due to the construction.

### ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, CONTINUED

Motion by Mr. Bowen and seconded by Miss Longhitano to adopt A Resolution Approving a Master Casting Agreement with PENNDOT and Authorizing the Township Manager to Sign Said Agreement on behalf of the Township.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

### REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Township Manager McCauley made a presentation explaining the correlation between the unfunded liabilities that are shown in Township Audits and Actuarial studies and their potential effect on the homeowner of Bristol Township, as well as the effect on Bristol Township's ability to make important purchases and capital improvements.

Vice President Brennan stated that while Council regretted making budgetary cuts and workforce reductions, the figures presented by Township Manager McCauley made it necessary to do so in order to prevent a more negative financial future for the Township.

Township Manager McCauley noted that Council had received a waiver request by the Bucks County Technical High School for interior renovations for faculty bathrooms. Township administration is making the recommendation of a 50% waiver of permit fee, which would half of the \$3,205.00 fee.

Motion by President Lewis and seconded by Mr. Glasson to approve a 50% waiver request by the Bucks County Technical High School for interior renovations for faculty bathrooms, in the amount of \$1,600.00.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

### REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR

Solicitor Flager had no formal report.

### NEW BUSINESS

Larry Young of Gilmore and Associates, Township Engineer, announced that James D. Morrissey was the lowest responsible bidder at \$1,041,212.83. Mr. Young's recommendation to Council would be to award James D. Morrissey with the base bid, as well as all six alternate streets, making a total of thirty-two roads.

Motion by Mr. Pluta and seconded by Miss Longhitano to award James. D Morrissey the 2012 milling and paving bid as recommended by the Township Engineer, Gilmore and Associates.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

Township Manager McCauley made the recommendation to Council to accept the 2012 Consortium fuel bid of Riggins Inc. to provide road ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel, and the bid of Superior Plus Energy Services to supply unleaded gasoline as well #2 heating oil.

Motion by Mr. Bowen and seconded by Mr. Glasson to accept the 2012 Consortium fuel bid of Riggins Inc. to provide on road ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel, and the bid of Superior Plus Energy Services to supply unleaded gasoline as well #2 heating oil.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

President Lewis stated that PENNDOT has made a request to use Township Highways as detour routes during the Route 13 Reconstruction Project. President Lewis requests the Township Council take appropriate action.

Motion by Mr. Glasson and seconded by Miss Longhitano to approve PENNDOT'S request to use Township Highways as detour routes during the Route 13 Reconstruction Project, contingent upon PENNDOT agreeing to reconstruct the roads, including milling and resurfacing to the extent necessary after the construction project has concluded.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

Township Manager McCauley stated that Township administration is making the recommendation to Council to appoint Employee Benefit Specialists, Inc as Bristol Township's health insurance broker. Employee Benefit Specialists, Inc have identified potential savings and Township administration is confident that the Township will save roughly \$100,000 in 2013 from these minor changes.

Mark Colavita of Employee Benefit Specialists, Inc spoke; stating that there is a retirement drug subsidy available that could save the Township 28% of total Medicare Part D costs. The savings from this subsidy could potentially be at least \$88,000 in 2013.

Mr. Pluta asked if self-insured prescription plans were an unwise choice. Mr. Colavita stated for sixty-five year old and older retirees, it is not the best option.

Motion by President Lewis and seconded by Miss Longhitano to appoint Employee Benefit Specialists, Inc as Bristol Township's health insurance broker.

Motion carried unanimously, 6-0, with Mr. Pluta abstaining.

### OTHER BUSINESS

President Lewis stated that on June 30, 2012 Croydon Acres Civic Association will be having a Music in the Park Evening, from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM. The event is free, and refreshments will be available for purchase.

President Lewis stated that on June 23, 2012, Newportville Fire Company #1, Substation #2 will be having a ribbon cutting ceremony at 11:00 AM.

President Lewis stated the Council would like to honor Levittown's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday, which will happen on June 23 and 24, 2012. The events will take place at Bolton Mansion.

Mr. Pluta stated on June 23, 2012, Pacific Avenue will be holding their Annual Picnic at 3:00 PM at the Pacific Avenue playground.

Mr. Pluta wished to remind Council about following Roberts Rules of Order, as well as the Administrative Code.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Chuck Clayton of 70 Outlook Drive had comments regarding labor relations.

Harry Gilbert of Sycamore present concerns about development and potential flooding on Sycamore Avenue.

Mark Hogan of Gable Hill Road approached Council, seeking help regarding the recent sewer main backup which caused damage to his home. Solicitor Flager stated that he will reach out to the Lower Bucks Joint Municipal Authority in an attempt to assist Mr. Hogan in a finding a resolution for his problems.

Michael Walsh of Graystone Lane had comments regarding labor relations.

Ellen Miller had comments regarding the Environmental Advisory Committee.

Ken Keiffer of Blue Ridge Drive has comments regarding labor relations.

Barbara Bill of Elsford Road has comments regarding relations between Bristol Township and Bristol Township School District.

Linda Tarlini of West Avenue had comments regarding the newsletter and the financial state of the Township.

Wes Retzler of Western Avenue had comments regarding personnel issues and the Keystone Opportunity Zone.

Motion to adjourn by Miss Longhitano and seconded by Mr. Bowen to adjourn Bistol Township Council Meeting at 10:00 PM.

1. Motion to approve the Voucher List & Requisitions for June 21, 2012.

2. Motion to approve the minutes from the May 17<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting.

3. Motion to change the order of the meeting agenda to address Ordinances and Resolutions prior to Presentations.

4. Motion to approve A Resolution Honoring Edith Lerman upon her retirement from Bristol Township after 43 years of service.

- 5. Motion to approve A Resolution Honoring Herring Properties LLC, OKNA Windows and Doors, and AIRGAS for their Contributions to the Resurfacing of the Basketball Courts at Humphries Park.
- 6. Motion to approve A Resolution Approving a Master Casting Agreement with PENNDOT and Authorizing the Township Manager to Sign Said Agreement on behalf of the Township.
- 7. Motion to approve a 50% waiver request by the Bucks County Technical High School for interior renovations for faculty bathrooms, in the amount of \$3,205.00.
- 8. Motion to award James. D Morrissey the 2012 milling and paving bid as recommended by the Township Engineer, Gilmore and Associates.
- 9. Motion to accept the 2012 Consortium fuel bid of Riggins Inc. to provide on road ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel, and the bid of Superior Plus Energy Services to supply unleaded gasoline as well #2 heating oil.
- 10. Motion to approve PENNDOT'S request to use Township Highways as detour routes during the Route 13 Reconstruction Project, contingent upon PENNDOT agree to reconstruct the roads to the extent necessary after construction has concluded.
- 11. Motion to appoint Employee Benefit Specialists, Inc as Bristol Township's health insurance broker.
- 12. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Keith S. Truman, Township Secretary