



Leo S. Lutz, Mayor
Michael L. Beury, Borough Council President

Robert L. Pfannebecker, Solicitor
Ronald Miller, Interim Borough Manager

FINAL AGENDA
COLUMBIA BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
May 11, 2015
7:00P.M.

- I. Opening of Meeting
 1. Call to Order and Roll Call
 2. Invocation/Moment of Silence
 3. Pledge to the Flag
 4. Announcement of Executive Session(s)
 - a. An Executive Session was held on May 11, 2015 at 6:00pm to discuss legal, personnel and information items.
 5. Presentations
 - a. Presentation: Chief Pugliese recognizing Officer Dave Souders for helping to capture a bank robber while off-duty in West Hempfield Township.
 - b. Presentation: Zachary Peirson, Legislative Outreach Coordinator for Senator Ryan Aument's Office. Introduction and overview of services provided by Senator Ryan Aument's Office.
 6. Citizen Comments (Agenda Items Only)
 7. Minutes for Approval
 - a. Consider approval of the Borough Council Meeting Minutes for 4/27/15.
 8. Mayor Lutz
 - a. Proclamation No. 15-07: Kids to Parks Day, May 16, 2015.
- II. Standing Committee Assignments
 9. The Committee on Personnel
 - a. Consider approval of Resolution No. 15-09: Appointing _____ to Borough Council for a term beginning May 11, 2015 and ending the first Monday in 2018. (Annette White, Dr. Sherry Welsh, Kathy Matoska and Robert Gainer).
 - b. Consider approval to promote Glenn Bachart to Highway Worker II, at an hourly rate consistent with the current Non-Uniform Employee Contract, effective May 12, 2015.
 10. The Committee on Highway
 - a. Consider authorization to advertise the 2015 CDBG Project pending authorization of funding from the Redevelopment Authority.
 11. The Committee on Finance
 - a. Consider approval to release the escrow for the 1580 Ironville Pike Project in the amount of \$1,179.75 per the letter of request from C.S. Davidson dated May 5, 2015.
 - b. Consider authorization to spend \$5400 to contract with Cohen Law Group for the Comcast agreement audit.

- c. Consider approval to pursue financing to purchase a new police vehicle and new computers for the police vehicles.
 - 12. The Committee on Public Property
 - a. Consider approval of a \$10,000 grant for Rotary Park playground equipment.
 - b. Consider Resolution No. 15-08: Sale of 3 lots on South Front Street to LASA for \$51,900.00 for the purpose of a pump station.
 - c. Consider naming the Northwest River Trail Services Building Columbia Crossing.
 - d. Consideration of approval for accepting a donation from Rivertownes of a tile mosaic of the burning of the bridge. This mosaic was created and completed by volunteers and event attendees from the 150th anniversary of the bridge burning events, and has been housed at different locations since then in Wrightsville, Marietta, and Columbia (currently at Watch and Clock Museum for viewing) and is in need of a permanent home. It's about 3' x 5' and heavy.
 - 13. The Committee on Public Safety
 - a. Monthly Fire Chief's Report.
 - 14. The Committee on Municipal Legislation
 - 15. The Committee on Wastewater
- III. Reports of Boards, Commissions, Authority, Solicitor, and Secretary/Treasurer
 - 16. Solicitor
 - 17. Secretary/Treasurer
 - a. The May Borough Council Meeting of the Whole will be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 rather than Monday, May 25th, 2015 due to the Memorial Day Holiday.
 - 18. Boards/Commissions/Authority
 - 19. Reports from Council Members
 - 20. Citizen Comments (Non-Agenda Items Only)
- IV. Adjournment

**Columbia Borough Council Meeting of the Whole
May 11, 2015
Paul W. Myers Council Chambers**

Council President Beury called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Councilpersons present: Barninger, Beury, Ford, Murphy, Smith and Weisser. Mayor Lutz was also present.

Bishop Clair Good of Vision Columbia prayed.

Mayor Lutz led the pledge to the Flag.

Council President Beury announced that an Executive Session was held on May 11, 2015 at 6:00 pm to discuss legal, personnel and information items.

Motion: To add item 4b to the agenda announcing that an executive session was held on April 27, 2015 at 9:00pm.

Motion: Barninger 2nd: Ford Voice Vote: All Favored

Council President Beury announced that an Executive Session was held on April 27, 2015 at 9:00pm to discuss legal, personnel and information items.

Council President Beury introduced Police Chief Jack Brommer of Columbia Borough and Police Chief Pulgliese of West Hempfield Township. Chief Pulgliese presented Columbia Borough Police Officer Dave Souders a Commendation Award for helping to capture a bank robber, while he was off-duty, in West Hempfield Township.

Council President Beury introduced Zachary Peirson, Legislative Outreach Coordinator for Senator Ryan Aument's Office. Mr. Peirson noted that he has been visiting several municipalities to make residents aware of the resources available at Senator Aument's office.

Citizen Comments (Agenda Items Only)

Please see attached

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Motion: To approve the Borough Council Meeting Minutes for 4/27/15.

Motion: Ford 2nd: Murphy Voice Vote: All Favored

MAYOR LUTZ

Mayor Lutz read Proclamation No. 15-07: Kids to Parks Day, May 1, 2015.

Mayor Lutz encouraged Council to move to apply for the Smart Transportation Grant or the Transportation Enhancement Grant for the North 3rd Street Project.

STANDING COMMITTEE ITEMS

COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

Council President Beury introduced the following people as applicants for the vacant Council position created by the resignation of Councilwoman Jody Gable:

- Annette White
- Dr. Sherry Welsh
- Kathy Matoska
- Robert Gainer

Applicant Robert Gainer withdrew his application for Borough Council.

Dr. Sherry Welsh, Kathy Matoska and Annette White took seats at the front of the room and Councilwoman Stephanie Weisser asked each applicant several questions. Several other Council Members asked additional questions.

Motion: To Nominate Dr. Sherry Welsh to fill the vacant Borough Council position.
Motion: Murphy 2nd: Ford
Roll Call Vote: Barninger, Beury, Ford, Murphy, Smith and Weisser all voted YES. Motion passed 6-0

Councilman Murphy thanked all of the applicants for their interest and encouraged them to apply for future positions on Council and other committees.

Mayor Lutz swore in Dr. Sherry Welsh and she took her space at the Council table.

Motion: To promote Glenn Bachert to Highway Worker II, at an hourly rate consistent with the current Non-Uniform Employee Contract effective May 12, 2015.
Motion: Barninger 2nd: Ford Voice Vote: All Favored

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAY

Motion: To authorize the advertisement of the 2015 CDBG Project pending authorization of funding from the Redevelopment Authority.
Motion: Smith 2nd: Weisser Voice Vote: All Favored

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Motion: To release the escrow for the 1580 Ironville Pike Project in the amount of \$1,179.75 per the letter of request from C.S. Davidson dated May 5, 2015.
Motion: Murphy 2nd: Barninger Voice Vote: All Favored

Motion: To authorize spending \$5,400 to contract with Cohen Law Group for the Comcast Agreement Audit.

Motion: Murphy 2nd: Barninger Voice Vote: All Favored

Motion: To approve pursuing financing to purchase a new police vehicle and new computers for the Police Departments.

Motion: Murphy 2nd: Ford Voice Vote: All Favored

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC

Motion: To accept a \$10,000 donation for Rotary Park playground equipment.

Motion: Weisser 2nd: Smith Voice Vote: All Favored

Motion: To add to the agenda for Council to release \$7,000.00 out of the General Fund to use for playground equipment for Rotary Park if needed.

Motion: Ford 2nd: Smith

There was discussion regarding the release of \$7,000.00 out of the General Fund to purchase playground equipment for Rotary Park.

Councilman Ford withdrew the above motion.

Motion: To approve Resolution No. 15-08: Sale of 3 lots on South Front Street to LASA for \$51,900.00 for the purpose of a pump station.

Motion: Weisser 2nd: Ford Voice Vote: All Favored

Mayor Lutz asked the Interim Borough Manager, Ron Miller, to request that LASA allow the Borough to dump snow on the 3 properties on Front Street until they build the pump station.

Motion: To name the Northwest River Trail Services Building Columbia Crossing.

Motion: Weisser 2nd: Ford Voice Vote: All Favored

Georgianna Schreck noted that the Turkey Hill Experience gave free admission tickets to the Borough to hand out to all of the kids who entered the building name contest. Councilwoman Barninger thanked all of the kids who entered the contest.

Motion: To approve the acceptance of a donation from Rivertownes of a tile mosaic of the burning of the bridge. This mosaic was created and completed by volunteers and event attendees from the 150th anniversary of the bridge burning events and has been housed at different locations since that time. The mosaic is 3' X 5' and is very heavy.

Motion: Weisser 2nd: Ford Voice Vote: All Favored

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

No Action Items

Fire Chief Kemmerly gave some highlights of the Monthly Fire Chief's Report.

COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL LEGISLATION

No Action Items

COMMITTEE ON WASTEWATER

No Action Items

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AUTHORITY, SOLICITOR AND SECRETARY/TREASURER

SOLICITOR

No Action Items

SECRETARY/TREASURER

Interim Secretary/Treasurer, Ron Miller, noted that the contractors will begin placing the bridge beams on Monday 5/18/15. There will be rolling road closures on Route 30.

Interim Secretary/Treasurer, Ron Miller noted that the Borough is working closely with LASA to finalize the deal.

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/AUTHORITY

No Action Items

REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Motion: To add to the agenda consideration to submit 2 grant applications; one for the Smart Growth Transportation Grant and one for the Transportation Enhancement Grant to complete additional work at River Park and for the first phase of the N. 3rd Street Corridor Improvement Project.

Motion: Barninger 2nd: Murphy Voice Vote: All Favored.

Citizen Comments (on added agenda item)

There were no comments

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Motion: Barninger 2nd: Ford Voice Vote: All Favored

CITIZEN COMMENTS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

Please see attached

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 9:45pm.

Motion: Smith

2nd: Ford

Voice Vote: All Favored

MOTIONED AND APPROVED this 26th day of May 2015, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Columbia, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

BOROUGH OF COLUMBIA, LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

BY:

Michael L. Beury
Michael Beury, Council President

ATTEST:

Ronald Miller
Ronald Miller, Interim Secretary/Treasurer



BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING OF THE WHOLE CITIZEN COMMENTS

May 11, 2015

AGENDA ITEMS ONLY		
Mary Wickenheiser 626 Chestnut Street, Columbia	Asked if the Executive Session held after the 4/27/15 Meeting should be announced.	Council agreed and added this item to the agenda.
	Asked why there are no signs at River Park for No Smoking, Kids at Play etc...	
	Asked if the applicants for the vacant council position will be interviewed at this meeting.	Council Members said yes.
	Asked what the 2015 CDBG would be used for.	Council Members stated that it would be used for 8th Street between Ridge and Cherry.
	Asked if the 1580 Ironville Pike Project was the Funk Project.	Council Members said yes.
	Asked questions regarding the \$10,000 grant/donation for playground equipment at Rotary Park	
	Asked if the final documents have been approved for the sale of 3 lots on Front Street to LASA	Council Members said yes.
	Encouraged Council to hang the Mosaic donation as soon as possible instead of storing it.	
	Expressed that she feels directional signage is needed at River Park.	

NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY		
Ellie Adams 122 S. 2nd Street, Columbia	Discussed a petition that was circulated regarding a request to have Avenue J at 2nd Street closed.	
Harry Tyson South 2nd Street, Columbia, PA	Discussed the request to have Avenue J at 2nd Street Closed.	
Gerald Hawn 501 Walnut Street, Columbia, PA	Discussed issues with sewer water coming from his neighbors house coming into his basement. He expressed concern that the Codes Department has not condemned the neighbors property until the problem is resolved.	Interim Borough Manager, Ron Miller, said that he spoke with Jeff Helm earlier in the day and that a plumber will be at the site early tomorrow morning to fix the problem. He said that if the problem is not resolved tomorrow the neighbor will have to find another place for his tenants to live until the problem is resolved.
Frank Doutrich 1001 Ironville Pike, Columbia, PA	Asked who authorized the plumber to do the job at Gerald Hawn's neighbors house.	Ron Miller said that the neighbor authorized the work to be done.
	Asked if the management and rental fees have been determined for the Columbia Crossing Building.	Georgianna Schreck stated that these items have not yet been determined.
Columbia Kettle Works Representative	Discussed outdoor seating in front of the Columbia Kettle Works. Also asked what is needed to get approval to serve alcohol at the outdoor tables.	Council Members suggested that he contact the Liquor Control Board. They also said that this would need to go to the Legislative Committee. They asked him to attend the Committee of the Whole Meeting on 5/26/15.