Howard Borough Council Minutes of January 2, 2024, Meeting

Howard Borough Council met January 2, 2024.

Council Members Present: Philip Winchell, Bobby Yearick, Andrew Kotzur, Diana Goodyear, Lydia Watters, John Gribble, Mayor Deb Simoncek, Donna Benner

Council members absent:

Guests present: Tom Bowes, Marissa Undercolfer, Linda Hanley

Mayor Deb Simoncek called the meeting to order. Robert Yearick, Andy Kotzur, Donna Benner, Linda Hanley and Autumn Hanley were sworn into office by the mayor.

Election of Borough Council Offices. A motion was made by John Gribble and seconded by Donna Benner to re-elect 2023 Council Leadership for the 2024 term and will include: Philip Winchell, President, Andrew Kotzur, Vice President, Andrew Kotzur, President Pro Tem., Nancy Fishburn, Sec.-Tres. and Terry Williams Borough Solicitor. All were in favor.

Philip Winchell presided over the rest of the meeting.

Moved by Andy Kotzur, Donna Benner seconded, approving minutes from the December 11, 2023, Council Meeting. Motion passed.

Citizen/Guests

Citizens and guests were reminded about the time limit on comments. (TIME LIMIT OF 4 MINUTES-Citizens present at any Borough Council Meeting or Committee Meetings have the option to speak at this time unless otherwise recognized by the presiding officer.)

Linda Hanley was in attendance to have an announcement added to the website.

<u>Mayor</u>

<u>Mayor Simoncek</u>- Deb Simoncek updated council on the Army Corps lease. Trooper Fox will be contacted to attend a future meeting for an update.

Treasurer's Report

Moved by Andy Kotzur seconded by John Gribble, to approve the December Treasurer Reports as presented. Motion Passed.

Correspondences

<u>Outgoing</u> –Davidson's and tenants/Junk car, Jeff Lomison/Meeting invite <u>Incoming</u> –Emails/Army Corps, CC Elections Office/update, Gerald Stover/Contact us, Paul Tupac office/Taxes

Committee Reports

<u>Water-</u> Moved by Donna Benner seconded by John Gribble, to approve purchase of an air conditioner or repairs for well 2. Motion Passed. Well 4 will need repairs.

<u>Streets</u> – John Gribble reported that a Christmas decoration had blown down.

<u>Streetlights</u> –Lydia Watters had nothing to report.

<u>**Refuse**</u>– No report.

Property-No report.

Zoning Officer – No report.

Operations and Maintenance Report - No report.

Old Business

New Business

Moved by Lydia Watters, seconded by Autumn Hanley to appoint the 2024 Standing Committees. (attached) Motion passed.

Moved by Andy Kotzur to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned

Minutes taken from recording Nancy Fishburn Secretary-Treasurer