

OFFICIAL MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of June 21, 2010 of Kennett Square Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Red Clay Room of the Kennett Fire Company No. 1, 423 Dalmatian Street, Kennett Square, Pennsylvania with President David B. Miller in the Chair. Roll Call followed the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were:

President David B. Miller
Vice-President Danilo P. Maffei
Council Member Enrico H. Avello, Jr.
Council Member Geoffrey R. Bosley
Council Member Jessie Cocks
Council Member F. Sean Walker
Mayor Matthew W. Fetick
Manager Brant Kucera
Chief of Police Edward A. Zunino

EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Miller announced that Council will hold an Executive Session immediately following tonight's Council meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss personnel and legal matters.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. John Thomas, 406 South Broad Street, stated that a lot of people are concerned about the NVF property and what is going to happen there. He suggested that Council listen to what the citizens would like to see developed there and take the ideas to the developer. The development will impact everything within the Borough and Mr. Thomas stated that the zoning must be changed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Mayor gave following report for May 2010:

- 99 Traffic Citations were issued.
- 69 Written Traffic Warnings.
- 45 Criminal Arrests.
- 4 DUI Arrests.
- Total of 677 calls.

The Mayor stated that there are three (3) vacancies for full time Police Officers and gave a summary of the entry level testing process currently being conducted by the Civil Service Commission to fill these vacancies.

CONSENT ITEMS

MINUTES of JUNE 7, 2010

President Miller presented the June 7, 2010 minutes for approval.

It was moved by Council Member Walker and seconded by Vice-President Maffei to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

BILLS

President Miller presented the bills to be paid June 21, 2010 and the bills that were paid since the last meeting for approval.

It was moved by Vice-President Maffei and seconded by Council Member Cocks to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MAGNOLIA PLACE MR. MICHAEL PIA

Mr. Tim Cassidy of Bernardon Holloway and Mr. Michael Pia gave a presentation of Mr. Pia's proposed plan, Magnolia Place, for his parcel located at the southeast corner of West Cypress Street and South Mill Road.

The proposed plan consists of a total of 79 duplexes and townhouses combined and a four (4) story mixed-use building. The building comprises of 12,000 square feet commercial space and 30 apartments with 30 underground parking spaces.

Mr. Cassidy advised that the plan received favorable response from the Planning Commission at their May 2010 meeting. The next step will be to submit a conditional use application.

Mr. Cassidy and Mr. Pia entertained questions from Council.

BOROUGH of KENNETT SQUARE STRATEGIC PLAN 2010-2020

President Miller advised that the Borough's Strategic Plan 2010-2020 was developed through a joint effort of Council, the Manager, the Mayor and Department Heads during May 2010.

Council Member Cocks suggested that the plan be posted on the Borough's website.

The Manager agreed.

PARKING RELIEF 134 WEST STATE STREET

President Miller presented the request from Mr. Rafael Bautista for relief to the off-street parking for 134 West State Street as required by Section 23-65(5)(D) of the Municipal Code.

The Manager advised that the owner is currently renovating the building and would like to convert the first floor into retail space which requires additional parking.

It was moved by Council Member Bosley and Vice-President Maffei to approve the relief of parking as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION

President Miller presented the special event application for the Historic Kennett Square's Annual Brewfest to be held October 2, 2010.

It was moved by Council Member Cocks and seconded by Council Member Walker to approve the application as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. John Thomas, 406 South Broad, questioned the height of the proposed building on Mr. Pia's property. He stated that there is a tremendous need for homes that are handicap accessibility and senior citizen accessibility. Mr. Thomas added that some of the homes on the property should be one story for this accessibility.

Ms. Charla Watson, 523 Magnolia Street, suggested that when Council is giving parking relief that they give more detail to the building and not just the street address. She questioned why Mr. Jack McFadden's restaurant is not opened. Ms. Watson stated that the Borough and the School District cannot handle this size of development proposed by Mr. Pia. She expressed concern of the residual chemicals that are in the NVF property noting that she has spoken to the Federal EPA.

COUNCIL and MANAGER COMMENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Bosley stated that the Finance Committee's proposed Reserve Fund Policy is near completion. He thanked the Manager and Ms. Kathy Holliday, the Finance Director, for their work on this project

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Council Member Walker and seconded by Council Member Cocks to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Brant Kucera
Borough Manager

Council convened into an Executive Session