

**BOROUGH OF DARBY
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
March 17, 2010**

The Darby Borough Council met at Borough Hall on the above date with the following members present: President Janice Davis, Ms. Ruby Robinson Munden, Mr. Donald Deigh, Mrs. Jennifer Parks, Ms. Darlene Hill, Mr. Patrick McKennam Mrs. Marie Howells and Ms. Edna Stockley. Also present were Mayor Helen Thomas, Borough Manager Mark Possenti, Solicitor Raymond Santarelli, Code Official Joseph Nerelli, Police Chief Robert Smythe and Borough Engineer Eileen Mulvena. Vice President Howard Blackson, Jr. was absent.

President Davis called the meeting to Order at 7:30 p.m. followed by Roll Call.

Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. & Mrs. John Haigis, 1006 Main Street: Discussed the Darby Creek Valley Association.

Paula Brown, 206 Highland Avenue: Asked various questions regarding the Bonds, loans and the new building.

Stafford Bailey, 94 S. 6th Street: Has concerns regarding parking in crosswalks and on painted X's.

Howard Bell, 400 Poplar Street: Stated that he received a flyer regarding his property taxes.

There was a special presentation from the Fresh Start Program regarding their 2010 Black History Month Project.

NRO:

Mr. Vyacheslav Sakirsky, New Walnut Street: To operate a mobile dentist office. Motion to approve made by Mr. Deigh pending all required documents are submitted to the Code Enforcement Office; 2nd by Mrs. Parks. Motion carries 8-0.

Mr. James Bernard, 307 MacDade Blvd.: To operate Fred's Water Ice Stand. Motion made by Mrs. Parks; 2nd by Ms. Hill. Motion carries 8-0.

ENGINEERS REPORT:

See Attached.

Motion made by Mr. Deigh; 2nd by Mrs. Parks to approve payment to Lansdowne Borough for the 10% match for the Conservation Works Grant. Motion carries 7-0.

Motion to accept the Engineer's Report made by Ms. Munden; 2nd by Mr. McKenna. Motion carries 7-0.

MAYORS REPORT:

See Attached.

Motion to accept the Mayor's Report made by Mrs. Parks; 2nd by Mr. Deigh. Motion carries 7-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (2/17/10):

Motion made by Mr. Deigh; 2nd by Mrs. Parks. Motion carries 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Appointment of Darby Borough Redevelopment Authority Members:**
Motion made by Mr. McKenna to appoint Father Corley-1/2011, Darlene Hill-12/2011, Timothy Dopson-12/2012, Howard Blackson, Jr.-12/2013 & Donald Deigh-12/2014; 2nd by Mrs. Parks. Motion carries 6-0. Mr. Deigh abstained.
- b. **Appointment of Borough Council Member to Vacant Property Review Committee:** Mr. Donald Deigh nominates Patrick McKenna. Mrs. Howells make a motion to appoint Mr. Patrick McKenna; 2nd by Mrs. Parks. Motion carries 7-0.

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS:

- a. Fire Chiefs Report: See Attached.
- b. Historical Commission Report: Reported on the Darby Creek Cleanup, Old Borough Hall, 1000 Main Street and the Darby Library.
- c. Ordinance/Zoning: No Report
- d. Community Relations: Mrs. Howells reported on the RBI Baseball League.
- e. Municipal Services: Mr. McKenna reported Highway has been repairing potholes, cleaning trucks, manhole repairs and removed a fallen tree.
- f. Public Safety: Ms. Munden made a motion to accept the resignation of Matthew Rowan, Joel Jean and John Benozich; 2nd by Mrs. Parks. Motion carries 7-0.
- g. Recreation: Mrs. Parks reported about the Easter Egg Hunt, Memorial Day Parade and the Darby Flea Market.

- h. Finance: Motion made by Mrs. Parks; 2nd by Ms. Munden to approve the paid bills for the month of March. Motion carries 6-1. Ms. Stockley voted No. Motion made by Mrs. Parks; 2nd by Mrs. Howells to purchase a full page Ad for the VFW Post 598 for \$90. Motion carries 6-0. Mr. McKenna abstained.
- i. Grants: No Report
- j. Solicitors Report: Mr. Santarelli reported that he has received a letter from the lawyer for the Darby Town Center.

Motion to accept all reports & minutes made by Mrs. Howells; 2nd by Mrs. Parks.
Motion carries 7-0.

BOROUGH MANAGER CORRESPONDENCES:

Mr. Possenti reported about the DCAB Banquet on April 30th. Motion to buy a full page ad in the Banquet Program made by Mr. McKenna; 2nd by Mrs. Parks. Motion carries 7-0.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No Report.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mrs. Parks; 2nd by Mrs. Howells. Motion carries 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Possenti
Manager/Secretary
Borough of Darby

MEMORANDUM

Innovation and
Technology
for Tomorrow's
World



DATE: 17 March 2010
TO: Darby Borough Council
FROM: Eileen W. Mulvena, P.E.
SUBJ: Engineer's Report Thru March 17, 2010

FY 2009 Sanitary Sewer Cleaning & Televising

As reported in January, Video Pipe Services has submitted seven (7) CCTV & Inspection Reports. According to the reports submitted, 70,039.97 LF of pipe was cleaned and televised. The system is comprised of approximately 87,950 LF. This means that there is approximately 17,910 LF of pipe not cleaned and televised. After contacting Debra Robinson from Video Pipe Services on this matter she says that all reports have been submitted and she suggests that we narrow down which pipe sections are missing as some were inaccessible.

Video Pipe has responded to NDI on the sections that have not been televised. We will meet with the Borough Manager on Monday, March 22, 2010 at 9:30AM to discuss the Video Pipe response.

Gateway Signage

Ernel Company has installed the signs. We have approved the invoice with some retainage for some punch list items. The County pays the contractor directly for this.

Rehabilitation/Replacement of Storm Inlets (CDBG Project #3412A)

Construction is currently in progress by DeCo Management Corporation of Fort Washington, PA. We have met with the County OHCD staff and the contractor to discuss conditions at the inlets that require additional effort on their part. The contractor is preparing an estimate for the additional work. If the County cannot fund the extras, an inlet will be deleted from the project to cover the costs of the additional work on the worst inlets.

We should know more by next month's meeting.

Ordinary Street Maintenance

The 2010 County Aid Resolution has been sent to the County. We did receive a copy of the PennDOT approval for the 2009 patching project from the Borough Manager. We will schedule the work to be done within the next few weeks.

Consent Order and Agreement

We have reviewed the CDs for those areas identified by Video Pipe as being in the worst condition. We will now evaluate the cost for each repair/replacement and provide that to you when complete. The next phase of the Consent Order covers portable metering to identify the areas with the highest I/I. We will begin planning for this by evaluating the metering data from DCJA and determining which service area has the highest I/I.

The metering should begin when the weather breaks in the spring as we have to meter at least 10 locations and generally, a metering period is a month. The key to the metering is to meter flows at each location during very wet weather and very dry weather.

1020 Ridge Land Development

The sewer module was approved by DEP. If you recall, DCJA has required that the Borough offset the proposed increase of sewage at 1020 Ridge by removing I/I from the system. Part of the requirement is to purchase and install 40 manhole inserts in manholes such that rainwater cannot enter through the covers along the roadways and grassy areas. Nether Providence Township has agreed to order the manhole inserts along with their order so that the Borough will benefit from a discounted price due to the total being purchased.

Now that the weather seems to have broken, we will inspect the 14 alternate locations and will be obtaining the physical dimensions.

Demolition of 16 Greenway Ave.

The legal notice was placed in the paper on December 29, 2009. The public comment period expired in mid-January so the application can be submitted. The application can be forwarded as we have received all the information to meet the grant requirements.

Municipal Services Committee Meeting

We would propose that there is benefit in the committee meeting on a monthly basis to review existing conditions and to identify and plan for future improvement and maintenance efforts. As the televising continues, these meetings will prove very meaningful as it relates to the sanitary sewer system. It would also be nice to consider a street improvements program to address some of the older paved areas in the Borough.

EDCCOG Stormwater Grant

The EDCCOG received a phase II grant from the William Penn Foundation. The meetings are being held on a monthly basis. We will have a meeting next week during which the announcement of the selection of a consultant attorney will be made and further discussions on the selection process for the Stormwater Manager. The emphasis of this two-year grant will be to provide consultant services to identify and implement programs to support each community's MS4 permit compliance at a lower cost.

NPDES MS4 Permit

The current year of the permit ends on March 9. The Borough is required to submit an annual report by June 9, 2010. We will begin to gather the data for this report. We have performed testing throughout the year. We will provide you with an updated status report shortly so you can complete whatever is possible by the end of the current reporting year.

Conservation Works! Grant

We are working on the bid specs for the traffic signal upgrades and the street light upgrades to be accomplished in Lansdowne, East Lansdowne, Yeadon, Colwyn, and Darby as the result of the COG receiving a substantial grant from DEP through the ARRA-funded Conservation Works! grant program. We expect to have the bid specs ready for bidding within the next 45 days.

Darby Shopping Center

We submitted our plan review of the latest set of plans to the Borough and are awaiting a response from the Applicant. I received the land development agreements this morning from the Solicitor and will be reviewing them shortly.

Darby Borough Police Department

March 17, 2010

To: Mayor Thomas

Subject:

Cc:

The police dept again would like to thank the citizens of the Boro. for their cooperation and patience helping the town get through one of the most difficult winters that one can remember.

With the coming of spring we must remind residents that unregistered/abandoned vehicles on our streets are in violation of our Boro ordinance, and a nuisance problem. Vehicles should be properly registered and operable while parked on the street. If there is an emergency or condition that your vehicle cannot move, make sure you advise the Police Dept. as to when the vehicle can be moved.

The spring also brings some quality of life issues that the Dept. would like the help of the citizens: If you suspect people involved in drug activities and or loitering in areas like abandoned homes, " crack houses", business establishments etc., please let us know immediately. If people are causing constant disturbances with rude behavior including; loud parties, music and fights let us know immediately. If we can stem these issues early, the better we will be later on.

The majority of our department recently completed Act 180, the mandatory police training that the state requires every year. Officers also recently re-certified for first-aid training, CPR and AED training. These training programs enhance the quality of our Dept., which better serves our community.

United States Census 2010

Dear Citizens:

This spring and summer, Darby and communities across the country will take part in Census 2010, which determines our fair share of federal funding for the next 10 years.

Beginning Now, census questionnaires have been mailed to households. You will be asked to answer 10 short questions and mail the form back in the postage-paid envelope provided. If you do not mail the form back, a census taker may be visiting your home asking you questions on the form.

Why is it so important that you fill out the form promptly and mail it back? Census information affects the number of seats our state occupies in the U.S. House of Representatives, along with assisting agencies that advocate for causes, rescue disaster victims, prevent diseases, research markets, locate pools of skilled workers and more.

The 2010 Census will help communities receive more than \$400 billion in federal funds each year for things like:

- Hospitals
- Job Training Centers
- Schools
- Senior Centers
- Bridges, Tunnels and other-Public Works Projects
- Emergency Services

Thank you for your cooperation and making Darby a great place to live.

Mayor Helen R. Thomas

2010 CENSUS TIMELINE: KEY DATES

March 2010: Census forms are mailed or delivered to households

April 2010: National Census Day—use this day as a point of reference for sending your completed forms back in the mail

April - July 2010: Census takers visit households that did not return a form by mail

December 2010: By law, the Census Bureau delivers population information to the President for apportionment

March 2011: By law, Census Bureau completes delivery of redistricting data to states.

**Darby Fire Company #1
Chief's Report
February 2010**

38 Calls

Building Fires	12
Automatic Fire Alarms	07
Gas Leaks	06
Assist EMS	05
Vehicle Fires	03
Cover Assignments (Station 36)	02
Wires	01
Odor Investigation	01
Investigation	01
<i>Working Fire</i>	<i>01</i>
Darby Borough	29
Collingdale Borough	04
Upper Darby Township	02
Darby Township	01
Yeadon Borough	01

ORGANIZED OCTOBER 24, 1910

CHARTERED FEBRUARY 4, 1911

DARBY FIRE PATROL #2

Chiefs Report For Feburary-2010

Call Type Buildings 9 Building Afa 7 Brush 0 Trash 0
Vehicles 3 Rescues 0 Gas Out 2 Gas In 1
Wires 1 Co Alarms 0 Co Leaks 0 Clean Ups 0
Fire Police 0 Other 8 (pump outs, investigations, misc.)