

BEFORE

NEW HOPE BOROUGH COUNCIL

In Re: Regular Meeting

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TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2019

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A public meeting was held at the Borough Municipal Building, 125 New Street, New Hope, Pennsylvania 18938, commencing at 7:02 p.m. on the day and date above set forth, before Tara Wilson, Professional Reporter in and for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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1 BOROUGH COUNCIL:

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3 Mayor Laurence D. Keller

4 Connie Gering, President

5 Dan Dougherty, Vice-President

6 Alison Kingsley

7 Laurie McHugh

8 Peter Meyer

9 Ken Maisel

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11 EJ Lee, Borough Manager

12 T.J. Walsh, Esquire, Solicitor

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14 ALSO PRESENT:

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16 Chief Michael Cummings

17 New Hope Police Department

18 James Ennis, Zoning Officer

19 Karen MacNair, Gilmore & Associates

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1 MS. GERING: I'd like to call the

2 meeting to order.

3 (Pledge of allegiance was recited.)

4 MS. LEE: I will take roll.

5 Vice-President Dougherty?

6 MR. DOUGHERTY: Here.

7 MS. LEE: President Pro Tem Tina Rettig

8 is not here.

9 Council member Kingsley.

10 MS. KINGSLEY: Here.

11 MS. LEE: Ms. McHugh?

12 MS. MCHUGH: I am here.

13 MS. LEE: Mr. Maisel?

14 MR. MAISEL: Here.

15 MS. LEE: Mr. Meyer?

16 MR. MEYER: Here.

17 MS. LEE: President Gering?

18 MS. GERING: Here.

19 MS. LEE: Mayor Keller?

20 MAYOR KELLER: Here.

21 MS. LEE: We also have with us our

22 solicitor T.J. Walsh, myself, the borough

23 manager. We have our chief of police, we have

24 our zoning officer, as well as our engineer and

25 lots of members of the community.

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1 MS. GERING: Thank you. Do we have any  
2 announcements for tonight?  
3 MS. LEE: I do not.  
4 MS. GERING: Mayor's report.  
5 MAYOR KELLER: For any of you who  
6 follow ice hockey, the St. Louis Blues won the  
7 Stanley Cup. And the coach of the St. Louis  
8 Blues has a New Hope mailing address and he has  
9 graciously offered to bring the Stanley's cup to  
10 New Hope, and so that would be on August 8. And  
11 the plan was -- or the plan is, at this point, I  
12 know that Connie's aware that, they would  
13 probably do something with the fire company and  
14 maybe put the Stanley cup on the fire truck and  
15 come down into town, ride up Main Street and go  
16 up to Triumph Brewery where it's going to staged  
17 from 11 in the morning to 2 in the afternoon.  
18 And anybody that likes hockey, I can  
19 see everybody lighting up out there, you will be  
20 able to get a photo taken with the Stanley Cup  
21 and et cetera for three hours. So the reason I'm  
22 mentioning all of this, I'm sure there'll be some  
23 sort of press release on it if it comes to  
24 fruition, but they would need -- we would need  
25 council's blessing. It's not a parade. I would

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1 imagine it would be something like the chief  
2 maybe driving the fire truck leading the fire  
3 truck and coach Berbue and a few others on the  
4 fire truck. They've already had a discussion  
5 with the fire company. The big thing is the hold  
6 harmless or having the rider to protect the  
7 borough, which that would happen if they were  
8 going to not just go directly to the Triumph but  
9 drive through town down Ferry Street and up South  
10 Main Street back up Bridge into the Triumph. So  
11 I would imagine the hole thing would take about  
12 12 to 15 minutes, but I think it should still,  
13 since it's tentatively schedule for August 8th,  
14 we probably should have the blessing from our  
15 council and obviously with the condition that  
16 they have the appropriate insurance.  
17 MS. GERING: Chief, is there any forms  
18 they have to fill out and what they need to do  
19 through your department, if council chooses to  
20 approve this.  
21 CHIEF CUMMINGS: Well, they were given  
22 the packet of information and I think really the  
23 main thing would be the insurance rider. It's  
24 just like driving -- it would be driving through  
25 town anyhow, it wouldn't be any lights being run,

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1 anything like that, it would just be a drive  
2 through.  
3 MS. GERING: I personally think it's a  
4 great event.  
5 Can we have a motion to approve this  
6 event?  
7 MR. MEYER: So moved.  
8 MS. GERING: Second?  
9 MS. McHUGH: I'll second  
10 MS. GERING: Any discussion from  
11 council?  
12 Any discussion from the audience?  
13 All in favor?  
14 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
15 MS. GERING: I think it will be a great  
16 event.  
17 MAYOR KELLER: That's it, Connie.  
18 MS. GERING: Thank you. Council had  
19 executive session tonight in reference to a  
20 personnel matter.  
21 Next on the agenda is authorizing Cohen  
22 Law Firm to negotiate the cell tower lease  
23 agreement for us. This is for a wireless lease  
24 that needs to be renewed and we some legal  
25 assistance. The cost would be \$3,000. I'd like

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1 to have a motion to retain Cohen Law Firm.  
2 MR. DOUGHERTY: I'll make that motion.  
3 MS. GERING: Second?  
4 MR. MEYER: Second.  
5 MS. GERING: Any questions from  
6 council?  
7 Any questions from the audience?  
8 All in favor?  
9 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
10 MS. GERING: Next is a temporary sign  
11 request for the New Hope Historical Society.  
12 Can we have a motion to approve the  
13 sign?  
14 MR. DOUGHERTY: I'll make that motion.  
15 MS. GERING: Second?  
16 MS. McHUGH: I'll second that.  
17 MS. GERING: Any questions from  
18 council?  
19 Any questions from the audience?  
20 All in favor?  
21 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
22 MS. GERING: Next is Phase 1 what was  
23 formerly Rabbit Run Preserve for us to release  
24 escrow money in the amount of \$14,550.  
25 Can I have a motion to release those

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1 funds?  
2 MS. McHUGH: I'll make that motion.  
3 MS. GERING: Second?  
4 MR. MAISEL: Second.  
5 MS. GERING: All in favor?  
6 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
7 MS. GERING: We also have same thing  
8 Rabbit Run, a release of escrow funds for Phase 1  
9 and that's in the amount of \$48,600.  
10 Can we have a motion to release the  
11 funds?  
12 MR. DOUGHERTY: Excuse me, that's Phase  
13 2.  
14 MS. GERING: Oh, I'm sorry, Phase 2  
15 corrected.  
16 MR. DOUGHERTY: I'll make that motion.  
17 MS. GERING: Second?  
18 MR. MEYER: Second.  
19 MS. GERING: All in favor?  
20 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
21 MS. GERING: Next is, we have a bid for  
22 road paving in the amount of \$42,000 for Bridge  
23 Street -- that's not for Bridge Street.  
24 MS. LEE: This is for the 2019 road  
25 paving program and our engineer is actually here.

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1 MS. GERING: Oh, Karen, can we get you  
2 with that one, please? Thank you.  
3 MS. MacNAIR: Sure. So the roads  
4 included in this would be Waterloo Street and a  
5 portion of East Mechanic Street and then East  
6 Randolph Street.  
7 MS. GERING: Can we have a motion to  
8 accept the bid for \$42,000?  
9 MS. LEE: That's the lowest bid came in  
10 at 42,000 for T Schiefer.  
11 MR. WALSH: Who's the contractor?  
12 MS. LEE: T Schiefer. Yeah, they're  
13 the same contractor that we used for the Main  
14 Street pedestrian.  
15 MR. WALSH: Yeah, that -- I just want  
16 to make sure the motion reflects who the award is  
17 to.  
18 MR. MEYER: Oh, point well taken.  
19 MR. DOUGHERTY: Do we need someone to  
20 the make the motion?  
21 MS. GERING: Do we need to make that --  
22 yes, can we have --  
23 MR. DOUGHERTY: I'll make that motion.  
24 MS. GERING: Second?  
25 MR. MEYER: Second.

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1 MS. GERING: Any questions from  
2 council?  
3 Any from the public.  
4 All in favor?  
5 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
6 MS. GERING: Thank you.  
7 Karen, I'm going to let you talk about  
8 the next one that you recommend we put it out for  
9 bid.  
10 MS. MacNAIR: Yes. So the Bridge  
11 Street PA DCED multimodal grant was opened on  
12 Thursday, July 11; however the bids that we  
13 received were much higher than we had  
14 anticipated, so my recommendation is to rebid the  
15 project late winter, early spring next year so  
16 you can get it early in contractor's schedules  
17 and I think at that point we would lower prices  
18 and closer to what our opinion of probable cost  
19 would be. So our recommendation tonight is to  
20 reject the received bids and then to rebid it.  
21 MR. WALSH: You need a motion to reject  
22 all bids.  
23 MS. GERING: Can we have a motion to  
24 reject all bids?  
25 MR. MEYER: So moved.

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1 MS. GERING: Second?  
2 MS. McHUGH: I'll second.  
3 MS. GERING: All in favor?  
4 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye  
5 MS. LEE: Karen, do you need a motion  
6 to rebid?  
7 MS. MacNAIR: Sure, that would be  
8 helpful as well if you want to do that at the  
9 same time tonight.  
10 MR. WALSH: Well, you -- yeah, but you  
11 talked about it next year possibly, so it might  
12 be in next year's budget. So I don't know if you  
13 want to --  
14 MS. MacNAIR: Yes, it would part of the  
15 2020 budget then.  
16 MR. WALSH: I would wait to authorize  
17 that bid then until --  
18 MR. DOUGHERTY: Just some questions on  
19 this. This is a project that's been hanging out  
20 here for about as long as I can remember. So we  
21 -- I think we have -- we have money from the  
22 state, this is --  
23 MS. LEE: Yes, this is funded by  
24 grants.  
25 MR. DOUGHERTY: Partly.

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1 MS. LEE: Yes.  
 2 MR. DOUGHERTY: The \$92,000 bid, how  
 3 much of that, that we ex -- that we were hoping,  
 4 I guess, was that the amount that we were hoping  
 5 it would come in at?  
 6 MR. MEYER: Yeah.  
 7 MS. LEE: A little bit over that, but  
 8 close to that.  
 9 MR. DOUGHERTY: Because we had modified  
 10 some of the stuff with regard to the pavement or  
 11 something like that.  
 12 MS. LEE: Right.  
 13 MR. DOUGHERTY: Where I'm going with  
 14 this is, we've spent a tremendous amount of time  
 15 over the last 18 months and fees --  
 16 MS. LEE: Yes.  
 17 MR. DOUGHERTY: -- sitting around with  
 18 this thing for a great length of time and how  
 19 much is exactly are we going to get from the  
 20 state to support this project?  
 21 MS. LEE: Well, the state's awarded us  
 22 \$92,000 so that's consistent.  
 23 MR. DOUGHERTY: That's the award?  
 24 MS. LEE: Yes.  
 25 MR. DOUGHERTY: And we were hoping, I

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1 I'm aware, we are around that designed proposal.  
 2 I did not bring numbers tonight to you, I did not  
 3 review that before I came to council meeting, I  
 4 wasn't aware that was going to be part of the  
 5 discussion; but readvertisement costs less than a  
 6 thousand dollars. I think you're going to see  
 7 well more than that by readvertising and getting  
 8 bid prices next year.  
 9 MR. DOUGHERTY: Is the work that was  
 10 done to obtain these bids, what is going to be --  
 11 what's magically going to get these numbers down  
 12 then? I don't -- if we had -- did we not select  
 13 the right people to ask the bid the thing?  
 14 What's going to happen to take these numbers from  
 15 130 down to a hundred?  
 16 MS. MacNAIR: So it's the timing. At  
 17 this point in the year, most contractors have  
 18 their schedules set. By getting a bid earlier in  
 19 the year, you can usually get earlier in a  
 20 contractor's schedule.  
 21 MR. DOUGHERTY: Okay.  
 22 MS. MacNAIR: They don't have work yet,  
 23 they're looking for work to do in the  
 24 construction season.  
 25 MR. DOUGHERTY: Oh, I understand. So

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1 think, for a hundred and how much for the  
 2 project?  
 3 MS. LEE: Closer to 120.  
 4 MS. MacNAIR: With the alternate to do  
 5 the coloring and the brick imprint we were hoping  
 6 that we would coming around a hundred thousand  
 7 dollars. The bid that were received were  
 8 137,000, 187,000 and 271,000.  
 9 MR. DOUGHERTY: So we probably -- and I  
 10 asked for some analysis about a year ago on how  
 11 much we had spent in hard dollars from our  
 12 constituents messing around with this design over  
 13 and over and fees basically. Those dollars are  
 14 sunk, those dollars are gone, we're not going to  
 15 get those back. So what do we think by stalling  
 16 or putting this off to next year, how -- do you  
 17 think that these -- are we going to find  
 18 different bidders to bring the number down to the  
 19 number we like or are we just going to keep  
 20 bidding it out until -- I think we probably spent  
 21 30 or \$40,000 in hard dollars just analyzing this  
 22 project.  
 23 MS. MacNAIR: So we had prepared a  
 24 proposal that's been presented to council which  
 25 was approved for the design process and as far as

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1 in other words, right now they're not bidding as  
 2 competitively as they would because they're busy?  
 3 MS. MacNAIR: That's my belief, yes.  
 4 MR. DOUGHERTY: Okay. So I don't -- I  
 5 kind of -- I would hate to have to go back to  
 6 this thing again. Can we authorize --  
 7 MS. GERING: Well, after listening to  
 8 you, Dan, can we authorize to put it out for bid  
 9 again now and see what comes back?  
 10 MS. MacNAIR: You could. I think  
 11 you're going to get any better numbers also at  
 12 this time of year. Construction season's going  
 13 to end probably in November, so you might get to  
 14 the point where you started construction, they  
 15 don't complete it and they would have to come  
 16 back in the early spring. So you've run the  
 17 chance of having the road open or the sidewalk  
 18 open or incomplete for a portion of the year or  
 19 several months over the winter.  
 20 So I would recommend waiting so that  
 21 you don't get into that situation. By bidding it  
 22 in early spring you could also still then have it  
 23 done for the summer season when you have a lot of  
 24 tourists.  
 25 MR. DOUGHERTY: This grant was awarded

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1 to us in what year?  
 2 MS. MacNAIR: 2018.  
 3 MR. DOUGHERTY: So it was awarded in  
 4 '18?  
 5 MS. MacNAIR: Yes. You have until the  
 6 end of June 2020 without any extensions to use  
 7 all your eligible project costs.  
 8 MR. DOUGHERTY: Because when I think I  
 9 did the 2018 budget, which was '17, this money  
 10 was floating around inside there. I remember  
 11 looking at it. So maybe we had not been formally  
 12 approved. It was 2018 that this was approved?  
 13 MS. MacNAIR: Sure. That's -- our job  
 14 number is 2018, which is when we would've  
 15 established the project and so that's my  
 16 understanding of when you have received the  
 17 grant.  
 18 MR. DOUGHERTY: We've had constituents  
 19 come up and help us with design over and over and  
 20 I think the difference between a hundred and a  
 21 hundred 32,000 -- well, \$30,000 is a lot of  
 22 money, so I guess it pays to put it off, but I  
 23 would hate to see us next year be here and  
 24 numbers come back looking just the same as these  
 25 did and the project still isn't done. So that's

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1 hundred ten, I think that's worth perhaps waiting  
 2 for --  
 3 MR. DOUGHERTY: It'd be hard to say we  
 4 should spend an extra -- just to get go it done  
 5 this year.  
 6 MR. MAISEL: And if we can get it only  
 7 for a hundred 30, you know, next year, then so be  
 8 it. So we will have put it off for a year  
 9 unnecessarily.  
 10 MR. MEYER: May I?  
 11 MS. GERING: Go ahead.  
 12 MR. MEYER: Thank you. I would like to  
 13 move that the council today authorize a rebidding  
 14 as soon in the year 2020 as our borough manager  
 15 and our firm consider to be appropriate,  
 16 preferably January or February. Is that  
 17 plausible? I don't know what the timing should  
 18 be, but I would like to make that motion now  
 19 deferring to the fact that it's going to be part  
 20 of next year's budget, but that we make the  
 21 motion now. And I don't know what date to put in  
 22 that motion, that's my only question.  
 23 MS. LEE: You can leave it open  
 24 indefinitely.  
 25 MR. MEYER: I would like to move the

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1 my concern.  
 2 MR. MEYER: Can we -- would I be in  
 3 order if I were to suggest a motion at this  
 4 point? Can I make a motion?  
 5 MR. MAISEL: Before you make the  
 6 motion, I think the downside to waiting is  
 7 \$10,000, what's the delta that would make it, you  
 8 know, worthwhile to put it off and hope that we  
 9 get a more competitive bid? \$10,000 is -- is  
 10 that worth it? And that's something we have to  
 11 make a call on.  
 12 MR. DOUGHERTY: You're not going to  
 13 know that, you're not going to know. This  
 14 number, the lowest bid here is a buck 37 it looks  
 15 like.  
 16 MS. MacNAIR: Yes, with the alternates,  
 17 yes.  
 18 MR. MAISEL: So we have a professional  
 19 team that was saying that let's roll, I think we  
 20 should go with the professionals making a  
 21 judgment that -- because their estimate, you're  
 22 estimate was a hundred thousand, you thought that  
 23 --  
 24 MS. MacNAIR: Approximately.  
 25 MR. MAISEL: So if it was a hundred, a

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1 borough go forward with the rebidding of this  
 2 particular project at the earliest date deemed  
 3 appropriate by the borough engineer and the  
 4 manager.  
 5 MS. GERING: Can I have a second?  
 6 MR. DOUGHERTY: I'll second that.  
 7 MS. GERING: Discussion from council?  
 8 Questions from the public?  
 9 All in favor?  
 10 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
 11 MS. GERING: Opposed?  
 12 Thank you everybody.  
 13 Next we have special events permits.  
 14 First on the list is New Hope Auto Show. Is  
 15 anyone here for their special event.  
 16 MS. LEE: Mr. Glassman wasn't going to  
 17 be able to make it.  
 18 MS. GERING: That event is August 9th  
 19 and 10th at the New Hope High School that's held.  
 20 Can we have a motion to approve that  
 21 event?  
 22 MR. DOUGHERTY: I'll make that.  
 23 MS. GERING: Second?  
 24 MR. MAISEL: Second.  
 25 MS. GERING: Any questions from

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1 council?  
 2 Any questions from the public?  
 3 All in favor?  
 4 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
 5 MS. GERING: Thank you.  
 6 Next is it Ride For The Kids.  
 7 Is anyone here from that event? Come  
 8 on up. Hello.  
 9 JOHN D'AMBROSIO: How are you?  
 10 MS. GERING: If you could, just full  
 11 name.  
 12 JOHN D'AMBROSIO: Yeah, John  
 13 D'Ambrosio. Do I tell you a little bit about  
 14 Ride For Kids, I haven't done this yet.  
 15 MS. GERING: I know this isn't your  
 16 first time here, but if you could tell council a  
 17 little bit about your event.  
 18 JOHN D'AMBROSIO: So ride For Kids is  
 19 an event, a motorcycle ride that benefits the  
 20 Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation. It benefits  
 21 children like myself who once had a brain cancer  
 22 or currently have brain cancer, it's a day for  
 23 them to come out, enjoy themselves, ride with  
 24 bikers. We have, you know, different kind of  
 25 games going on. It's just a fun day for them and

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1 have a program that's designed for girls from the  
 2 age of third grade through actually middle school  
 3 and through our programming, our curriculum and  
 4 running, they learning to be confident, competent  
 5 and at the end of their 10 week program, we have  
 6 a 5K run. We do two of those a year, one,  
 7 hopefully in New Hope on November 16th in the  
 8 morning and I hope that you guys will give us  
 9 approval.  
 10 MS. GERING: Vicki, are you guys using  
 11 the same layout as you used in the past?  
 12 VICKI LUPISELLA: Same route, nothing  
 13 has changed, currently anything. The only thing  
 14 that will change, if the train -- when the train  
 15 is coming through town. I know Larry has helped  
 16 us in the past when we're like, oh no, starting a  
 17 little, so --  
 18 MS. GERING: Thank you.  
 19 Can I have a motion to approve Girls On  
 20 The Run.  
 21 MR. MAISEL: I'll make that motion.  
 22 MS. GERING: Second?  
 23 MR. MEYER: Second.  
 24 MS. GERING: Any questions from  
 25 council?

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1 their families. We treat them and call them our  
 2 stars and their families are our star families.  
 3 It's scheduled to be on September 15th and it's  
 4 at the New Hope Fire Hall. It's our third year  
 5 at that venue.  
 6 MS. GERING: Thank you.  
 7 Can I have a motion for approval?  
 8 MS. KINGSLEY: So moved.  
 9 MS. GERING: Second?  
 10 MS. McHUGH: I'll second it.  
 11 MS. GERING: Any questions from  
 12 council?  
 13 Any from the public?  
 14 All in favor?  
 15 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
 16 MS. GERING: Good luck.  
 17 JOHN D'AMBROSIO: Thank you.  
 18 MS. GERING: Next is Girls On The Run.  
 19 Miss Vicki.  
 20 VICKI LUPISELLA: How are you?  
 21 MS. GERING: Give your full name and  
 22 address.  
 23 VICKI LUPISELLA: Vicki Lupisella, 230  
 24 Riverwoods Drive. I'm representing the Girls on  
 25 the Run. We like to do our 5K in New Hope. We

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1 Any questions from the public?  
 2 All in favor?  
 3 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
 4 Thank you.  
 5 VICKI LUPISELLA: Thank you very much.  
 6 MS. GERING: Next I need a motion to  
 7 approve our consent agenda and that includes the  
 8 minutes from our June 18th meeting and our  
 9 workshop meeting of July 1st. And approval of  
 10 payable accounts in the amount of \$242,732.57;  
 11 for June 19th, June 28th and July 3rd payroll in  
 12 the amount of \$60,108.91, \$4,397.64 and  
 13 \$65,453.99.  
 14 Can I have a motion?  
 15 MR. DOUGHERTY: I'll make that.  
 16 MS. McHUGH: I'll second.  
 17 MS. GERING: All in favor?  
 18 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
 19 MS. GERING: Thank you.  
 20 Park and rec report? Tina's absent.  
 21 Shade tree?  
 22 MS. McHUGH: That would be me. Nothing  
 23 to report, we do have a meeting tomorrow and  
 24 we're doing lots of wonderful things by the way.  
 25 MS. GERING: Thank you.

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1 Finance committee, Dan?  
 2 MR. DOUGHERTY: Just a quick update.  
 3 We promised we're going to have a review of the  
 4 pension plan. We're going to have our investment  
 5 advisors come in and give a report to finance  
 6 committee and to update us on the status of the  
 7 pension fund. We expect it to be quite positive.  
 8 MS. GERING: Thank you.  
 9 Ken, the HARB?  
 10 MR. MAISEL: We have a situation with  
 11 HARB. We had -- recently it was reported -- I  
 12 think last month, that a few people had resigned  
 13 from the HARB board and key people in the sense  
 14 that they were the realtor or broker that is  
 15 required on the HARB board, as well as an  
 16 architect. So those two people are missing now  
 17 from the board and we were attempting to cobble  
 18 it together by ordinance. We have 90 days is to  
 19 do that?  
 20 MS. LEE: Yes.  
 21 MR. MAISEL: So -- am I hearing  
 22 somebody talking? It's distracting me. Excuse  
 23 me in the back there. Yeah, it's distracting me,  
 24 sorry.  
 25 So instead of trying to pigeonhole this

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1 wrapped up. But they're two key people that need  
 2 to be on this board and we just want to make sure  
 3 that the people that are selected are committed,  
 4 as well as are capable of fulfilling those  
 5 requirements.  
 6 MS. GERING: Can I have a motion for us  
 7 to do a 90 day, I guess it's an ordinance.  
 8 MS. LEE: It's just a waiver of the 90  
 9 day provision.  
 10 MR. WALSH: It's going to suspend it to  
 11 the end of the year, right?  
 12 MS. GERING: Yes.  
 13 MR. WALSH: So as long as it has a date  
 14 certain on the end of it.  
 15 MR. MAISEL: We're saying that we  
 16 believe that it could be perhaps done within that  
 17 90 days, but we want to give ourselves till the  
 18 end of the year.  
 19 MR. WALSH: Okay. So the motion would  
 20 be to just suspend the 90 days, to take it to the  
 21 end of this calendar year.  
 22 MR. MAISEL: That would be the motion.  
 23 MS. GERING: Okay. Can we have a  
 24 second?  
 25 MS. McHUGH: Ill second.

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1 fulfilling the HARB board within the 90 days in  
 2 absolute terms, we wanted to leave it open that  
 3 we have the opportunity to waive the 90 day rule  
 4 in favor of giving ourselves a little breathing  
 5 room till the end of the year. Whether we  
 6 exercise that or not, would be up for grabs. We  
 7 just want to make sure that we bid out the HARB  
 8 board in a manner in which we think is  
 9 appropriate as a council, instead of doing it  
 10 under duress.  
 11 So that is, in the short-term, is my  
 12 understanding how this would be handled is that  
 13 we would, in workshops, be presented with over  
 14 the next 30, 60 days or 90 days or 120 days,  
 15 during the workshops, which we have two weeks  
 16 prior to our normal council meeting, the  
 17 applications that are presented would be fielded  
 18 by our consultant, preservation consultant, as  
 19 well as our building inspector would be there as  
 20 well, as we as council and then would be voted on  
 21 two weeks after in accordance with the  
 22 application.  
 23 So that's the game plan for the next 90  
 24 days, 120 days. And with breathing room at the  
 25 end of the year, I think we should have this

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1 MS. GERING: Any questions from  
 2 council?  
 3 Any from the public?  
 4 All in favor?  
 5 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
 6 MS. GERING: Great job.  
 7 The planning commission, I don't think  
 8 you've had meetings.  
 9 MR. MEYER: No, we have a meeting next  
 10 month, if I remember correctly.  
 11 MR. ENNIS: That's a meeting for that  
 12 first Monday in August.  
 13 MS. GERING: Thank you. The zoning  
 14 report, which is me, McCaffrey's and Gateway to  
 15 New Hope both were approved by zoning at last  
 16 week's meeting.  
 17 Next on the list would be 22 South Main  
 18 Street. Oh, McDonald's, I'm sorry. McDonald's.  
 19 MR. RAY WENT: Is it okay if we use the  
 20 table?  
 21 MS. GERING: Please.  
 22 MR. RAY WENT: Good evening. My name  
 23 is Ray Went, I'm from the Law Firm of Nehmad  
 24 Perillo Davis & Goldstein. I represent the  
 25 McDonald's Corporation. We're here for

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1 McDonald's at 324 --  
 2 GERI DELEVICH: Microphone, please.  
 3 MS. LEE: There's a microphone there.  
 4 MR. RAY WENT: Again, my name's Ray  
 5 Went. I'm with the Law Firm of Nehmad Perillo  
 6 Davis & Goldstein on behalf of McDonald's  
 7 Corporation. We're here for the location at 324  
 8 West Bridge Street. We appeared before you some  
 9 months ago initially to get things started. You  
 10 gave us no recommendation one way or the other.  
 11 We went to the zoning hearing board to obtain  
 12 waivers from having to appear before your land  
 13 development board with some waivers for signage.  
 14 At the end of the day, the board  
 15 approved our application. They, I think,  
 16 recognize that we want to make it a lot more  
 17 aesthetically pleasing a property, getting rid a  
 18 lot of those ugly stickers on the windows and the  
 19 like and hopefully bringing in a little bit more  
 20 with this beautiful town you have.  
 21 So we're here now to request a final  
 22 review, I believe and not have to appear before  
 23 the land development board. And we have a letter  
 24 form your engineering firm, Gilmore & Associates,  
 25 with a breakdown of comments and some

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1 and council through that to just get that on the  
 2 record that would be helpful.  
 3 MR. RAY WENT: Sure. And I'll  
 4 introduce to Tom Newmouth (phonetic) who has a  
 5 more in depth understanding of the nuances of the  
 6 project, that can walk you through. We have a  
 7 graphic up here to help you with the  
 8 demonstration.  
 9 TOM NEWMOUTH: Yeah, as you can up on  
 10 the rendered elevation of the McDonald's  
 11 restaurant right here, this is the proposed side  
 12 renovations. There is no expansion of the  
 13 existing restaurant, it maintains the same size  
 14 and occupancy and operations that currently are  
 15 here today. These are just some improvements  
 16 that are being rolled out by McDonald's  
 17 regionally to help update their brand name and  
 18 provide a better experience for the patrons of  
 19 the restaurant.  
 20 From a site perspective --  
 21 Would you mind going to the site plan?  
 22 The other big aspect of the  
 23 improvements for this property is with respect to  
 24 --  
 25 MS. LEE: All the way down?

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1 requirements that we're going to work with your  
 2 professionals on.  
 3 One of the requirements that they asked  
 4 for was a metes and bounds description of the  
 5 entire of the shopping center, which is just a  
 6 pretty crazy expense that we're going to have to  
 7 incur if we have to do that. So we're going to  
 8 work with your professional in terms of what you  
 9 really need for this site, so it gets done  
 10 correctly in the way you guys like it. And  
 11 that's why we're here.  
 12 If you have any questions of us, we're  
 13 more than glad to answer them.  
 14 MR. WALSH: The project from an  
 15 improvement perspective, if my understanding is  
 16 correct, there's really no building expansion per  
 17 se, the footprint is staying. Can you just walk  
 18 the council through the nature of the actual  
 19 changes, the improvements of the site? Because  
 20 what you're here for is a waiver of the  
 21 procedural requirements, not the actual  
 22 substantive stuff, so those only to be considered  
 23 in a waiver context improvements are small by  
 24 their nature.  
 25 So if you could walk us through that

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1 MR. WALSH: No, no, go the way you're  
 2 going. There you go.  
 3 TOM NEWMOUTH: That one. So that's an  
 4 aerial of the existing property. Currently the  
 5 handicapped accessible parking stalls and the  
 6 sidewalks that service the building, have just  
 7 deteriorated over time. The materials are  
 8 breaking down. It is a little bit of a hazard  
 9 and isn't compliant with the American  
 10 Disabilities Act. So part of our improvements is  
 11 to come in and update the facilities for ADA  
 12 compliance both exterior or interior restaurant  
 13 facilities. So per our conversation with the  
 14 township staff professionals, the work is rather  
 15 de minimus and just site maintenance and just  
 16 really just a face lift and update to provide  
 17 better use of the patrons of New Hope Borough.  
 18 MR. RAY WENT: And as I mentioned  
 19 earlier in terms of the pure aesthetics, we're  
 20 getting rid of the hideous window stickers. I  
 21 think there's a milkshake stand that's out there  
 22 that really just -- it's gaudy, it's outdated and  
 23 we're making it a modern but appropriate looking  
 24 building for New Hope.  
 25 MR. WALSH: Is the drive-thru being

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1 replaced?

2 TOM NEWMOUTH: So the drive-thru

3 signage which we presented in front of the zoning

4 hearing board is being updated to digital menu

5 boards.

6 MR. WALSH: Just the signage?

7 TOM NEWMOUTH: Just the signage,

8 correct.

9 MR. WALSH: Any of the paving or the

10 curbing or the sidewalks in that vicinity being

11 replaced?

12 TOM NEWMOUTH: When they go out to do

13 their site work, if there's anything that's

14 deteriorated that may not be currently noted on

15 the plans, the township -- or the borough

16 notices, McDonald's would be amenable to replace

17 that, but nothing's currently proposed here.

18 MR. WALSH: So as identified, it's

19 really just the ADA ramps and the parking from an

20 exterior perspective and some sidewalks?

21 TOM NEWMOUTH: Correct. And there's an

22 outdoor seating area with it's almost like a tile

23 paver right now that's kind of starting to fall

24 apart and crack at certain points. So they'll be

25 pouring that with a brand new concrete finish.

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1 incorporated changes to the plans your attorney

2 alluded to saying there were some comments done

3 on a review basis by both the borough engineer

4 and the borough zoning officer. Any approval by

5 waiver that the council gives tonight, would be

6 subject to review of those letters, revisions to

7 the plan, you know, any back and forth that needs

8 to get it where it needs to be.

9 TOM NEWMOUTH: Correct. Yeah, we're

10 willing to work with the staff --

11 MR. WALSH: And you're agreeable to

12 that?

13 TOM NEWMOUTH: -- to get all those

14 kinds of things incorporated.

15 MR. WALSH: And to the extent that

16 there's any financial security for any of this

17 and any agreements at the end of the day, I can't

18 imagine there would be a lot, but, you know,

19 that's part of the substantive requirement for

20 any land development at the end of the day. So

21 that would still hold, any of those things.

22 I don't know if there would be any

23 agreements because I don't think there's any --

24 when I say agreements, I mean any easements, any

25 stormwater agreements, anything of that nature.

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1 MR. WALSH: Do you know how big that

2 pad is? How big is that pad?

3 TOM NEWMOUTH: It's about --

4 approximately 20 by 80 foot.

5 MR. WALSH: So 1600 square feet. Did

6 you say 20 by 80?

7 TOM NEWMOUTH: 20 by 80, approximately.

8 MR. WALSH: 1600 square feet.

9 TOM NEWMOUTH: The total limits of

10 service for the whole exterior portion of the

11 site is 3,270 square feet.

12 MR. WALSH: And that pad is to be

13 poured over basically in place.

14 TOM NEWMOUTH: Yeah, all of the site

15 work is really just maintenance. We're not

16 really changing anything, updating it to any --

17 MR. WALSH: Nothing to the building

18 other than the renovations, no expansion, no

19 bumpouts?

20 TOM NEWMOUTH: No expansion, no, just

21 interior dining and restrooms will be updated,

22 new tiling floor, new ADA compliant restrooms and

23 on the facade rendering as was shown previously.

24 MR. WALSH: Okay. And you've had at

25 least an opportunity to, whether you've

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1 It doesn't sound like there's enough

2 modifications being made to the site to warrant

3 those. Is that fair enough?

4 MR. RAY WENT: Yeah, that is fair. I

5 mean, the list we got seemed to be -- the

6 comprehensive list on any site plan, commercial

7 site plan application you might see and our

8 professionals have spoken with yours about what's

9 really necessary at this site and what will --

10 and your professional would be the one that signs

11 off on that.

12 MR. WALSH: I mean, it starts, you

13 know, it starts at a broad comprehensive level

14 and then it gets whittled down. And a project of

15 this nature, that's why it's up for a possible

16 wavering because it's really not, you know. The

17 site is effectively developed and this is, you

18 know --

19 MR. RAY WENT: And with respect to if

20 we come across a curb that's deteriorated,

21 irrespective of the aesthetics, you and I are

22 both in the legal profession, I'm not interested

23 in doing personal injury and defense work for

24 McDonald's.

25 MR. WALSH: I don't know what that is.

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1 MR. RAY WENT: We want it safe and we  
 2 don't want, you know, crumbling of anything going  
 3 on our property, so we have a mutual interest in  
 4 that regard.  
 5 MR. WALSH: Have you seen the draft  
 6 resolution? Was that sent to you in advance?  
 7 MR. RAY WENT: We have, yes.  
 8 MR. WALSH: Do you have any issues with  
 9 its contents?  
 10 MR. RAY WENT: No.  
 11 MR. DOUGHERTY: May I ask a question?  
 12 Jim Ennis, you've had a chance to take  
 13 a lock at this. Do you have any concerns or  
 14 comments or anything you'd like to provide  
 15 council?  
 16 MR. ENNIS: No, not at all. They all  
 17 went before the zoning hearing board, the plans  
 18 they submitted to the zoning hearing board are  
 19 consistent with the plans that we just recently  
 20 got, as far as the waiver request. As they  
 21 already stated, there's no increase in building  
 22 coverage, there's no increase in impervious  
 23 coverage. The general functionality of the  
 24 property is not going to change at all. There is  
 25 really going to be no change in impacts as far as

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1 MS. GERING: Other questions from  
 2 council here before we go into -- okay.  
 3 MR. WALSH: Recommended motion would be  
 4 to adopt Resolution No. 2019-05 granting a  
 5 waiver to McDonald's, USA, LLC from the  
 6 procedural requirements of New Hope Borough  
 7 Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance for  
 8 plan approval, for the property located at 324  
 9 West Bridge Street, New Hope Borough further  
 10 identified as Bucks County Tax Map Parcel No.  
 11 27-3-47-1.  
 12 MS. GERING: Can I have a second?  
 13 MR. WALSH: Well, you need a motion,  
 14 that's a recommended motion.  
 15 MR. MEYER: I'll make the motion.  
 16 MS. GERING: Can we have a second?  
 17 MS. KINGSLEY: Second.  
 18 MS. GERING: Questions from council?  
 19 Questions from the public?  
 20 Ms. Delevich.  
 21 GERI DELEVICH: Geri Delevich, New  
 22 Hope.  
 23 MS. GERING: Your street address,  
 24 please?  
 25 GERI DELEVICH: 17 Old Mill Road.

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1 what's already there.  
 2 MR. DOUGHERTY: Thank you.  
 3 MR. MAISEL: I just have one question.  
 4 What was it ever contemplated any access to the  
 5 restaurant from the sidewalk? Was that even a  
 6 possibility? I know the traffic doesn't really  
 7 allow for it because it's in a secure -- you  
 8 know, it's a secure traffic pattern inside, but  
 9 was that ever contemplated as a possibility?  
 10 TOM NEWMOUTH: We evaluated that as a  
 11 potential possibility. Unfortunately, McDonald's  
 12 is a tenant lease with an overall shopping  
 13 center. That kind of falls out of the purview of  
 14 where they're permitted to build. I don't know  
 15 if there's been any further discussions with the  
 16 overall property owner as to providing access  
 17 from there. I do know it's a rather steep  
 18 entryway and if there were to be a sidewalk, it  
 19 would also need to be ADA compliant. So  
 20 McDonald's is trying to upgrade all its  
 21 facilities for ADA compliance and wouldn't  
 22 necessarily want to propose something that  
 23 wouldn't be serviceable for patrons in that  
 24 regard.  
 25 MR. MAISEL: Okay. Thank you.

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1 This is a question of aesthetics. You  
 2 are the entryway in New Hope pretty much in this  
 3 area. Several years ago, the borough received a  
 4 grant to plant trees along that area there kind  
 5 of soften that shopping center and to create, you  
 6 know, a nice gateway to New Hope. Those trees  
 7 have pretty much been damaged by the people that  
 8 go to McDonald's, we have PECO trucks that back  
 9 in with those carriages and they bring their  
 10 tires to the curb and while their tires are going  
 11 to the curb, their carriage knocks the trees  
 12 over.  
 13 So McDonald's at one point in time  
 14 talked about putting signs up that said you can  
 15 only park going forward. So is this something  
 16 you can take care of, as well as replacing the  
 17 trees that have been damaged? These trees were  
 18 planted about five years ago. If you look at the  
 19 bank, you'll see the size trees of those trees.  
 20 And if you look at the shopping center, those  
 21 trees have all been pretty much damaged.  
 22 MR. RAY WENT: I apologize. This is  
 23 the first we're hearing about that particular  
 24 issue. We've been here three times and the  
 25 property manager has not made us aware, but you

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1 better believe we're going to be mentioning it  
2 him. I don't have authority as I sit here to  
3 know exactly what's happening and what McDonald's  
4 can or is willing to do to be frank with you, but  
5 we don't want the trees looking damaged either.  
6 That's common goal, we want the place to look  
7 really nice, so it's definitely something we can  
8 address. Perhaps we can look at it with your  
9 engineer to see if there is something we need to  
10 do.

11 MR. WALSH: Well, talk to the property  
12 owner first. We'll make a note of it, Karen's  
13 making a note it.

14 They don't have authority, Geri, to  
15 just stick them in there. They're going to have  
16 to talk to whomever the landlord --

17 GERI DELEVICH: Right and the shade  
18 tree commission also. But I'm sure as major  
19 tenants there you have some say with the landlord  
20 about what to do to improve that area. At one  
21 McDonald's put their trash cans in front of the  
22 trees to protect them, 'cause these trucks were  
23 backing into them. So their solution was, and I  
24 don't believe it ever happened, park your cars  
25 only allowed to pull forward, can't back in. And

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1 MS. GERING: Any other comments? All  
2 right. We.  
3 Have a motion on the table, all in  
4 favor.

5 COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye.  
6 MS. GERING: Opposed?  
7 Good luck.

8 RAY WENT: Thank you very much. Take  
9 care.

10 MR. WALSH: So when that resolution is  
11 signed by the staff here, it'll be sent out to  
12 you guys for counter signature and you'll need to  
13 send that back. Thank you.

14 MS. GERING: Mr. Cohen, you're next.

15 MR. PAUL COHEN: Good evening, Paul  
16 Cohen. MIL Realty, LLC, the owners or the  
17 property at 22 South Main Street. You're all I'm  
18 sure familiar with the property, which currently  
19 houses Moo Hope Ice Cream. The owners of this  
20 property have come to the board and zoning  
21 hearing board a few times in the past few years.  
22 I believe it was in 2016 they received special  
23 exception and a number of variances for  
24 improvements to the property. Most recently you  
25 granted certificates of appropriateness for those

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1 that never happened so if you go out there, you  
2 see all those trees have been damaged.

3 MR. RAY WENT: We have to communicate  
4 with the property owner as this process happens  
5 anyway if they get the approval, so will that  
6 definitely be on our list of things about with  
7 him or her.

8 MS. GERING: Will you get back to  
9 everybody on that?

10 MR. WALSH: Through the borough  
11 engineer, yeah.

12 MR. RAY WENT: Yeah, the borough  
13 engineer's going to be the one that monitors --  
14 after these projects are approved, it's your  
15 local professional engineer that really makes  
16 sure things get done and let's make that a  
17 checklist item to speak with the owner about the  
18 situation to see what we can find out that can be  
19 done.

20 MS. GERING: It's possible McCaffrey's  
21 going in there could also put some pressure on  
22 the owner of the property. Because as you look  
23 at that property, I'm sure you'll see some kind  
24 of softening from the road as you see it. Thank  
25 you.

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1 improvements.

2 During the permit process, it was  
3 pointed out to them that due to the extent of the  
4 renovations, it triggers a requirement in the  
5 flood plain ordinance that the property be  
6 elevated above the base flood elevation. Given  
7 the historic nature of the property, its physical  
8 condition and its operation as a retail shop,  
9 elevating the building simply is not a feasible  
10 alternative. The ordinance does specifically  
11 allow for variances to be granted and we are,  
12 therefore, requesting a variance from the zoning  
13 hearing board, a variance from the requirement of  
14 either raising the building out of the base flood  
15 elevation or making the building impermeable to  
16 water.

17 There is an actual provision in the  
18 flood ordinance, I will mention, that allows in  
19 certain circumstances for exceptions for historic  
20 buildings. That only applies to buildings that  
21 are documented as historic. I believe this  
22 structure is constructed in 1860, so I think it's  
23 historic in nature, but that particular exemption  
24 doesn't apply because it's not documented.

25 MR. DOUGHERTY: It wasn't that historic

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1 when you were asking about the HARB side. That's  
 2 okay.  
 3 MR. PAUL COHEN: In any event, this is  
 4 not changing any of the prior relief requested.  
 5 We're not changing any of the improvements that  
 6 have been previously proposed, it's simply at  
 7 this point, I would believe, what would be  
 8 considered a technical requirement. It is  
 9 important to understand that we will comply with  
 10 all the other technical requirements of the flood  
 11 ordinance, all improvements that will be located  
 12 below the base flood elevation will made in a way  
 13 to sustain water resistance. I believe all of  
 14 the mechanicals have or will be -- I think  
 15 they've already been elevated above the base  
 16 flood elevation and that work will continue.  
 17 That is all.  
 18 MS. GERING: Any questions from  
 19 council?  
 20 MR. DOUGHERTY: I have a real quick  
 21 technical question. I notice on this Sal's  
 22 Restaurant their conference center is in, I guess  
 23 in the flood plain or something I don't know, but  
 24 they have those little trap doors to let water,  
 25 flood water into the buildings so as it doesn't.

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1 Yes. We've missed you. Please  
 2 identify yourself.  
 3 STEVEN COPPENS: Steve Coppens, 12, 14,  
 4 16, 18, 20 West Bridge Street. Couple of  
 5 different things. One is, now that you're  
 6 postponing the Bridge Street project, which I was  
 7 under the impression was going to take place this  
 8 spring or through September or something, can we  
 9 doing about the broken rail and the crummy look  
 10 that whole area has out in front of my building.  
 11 There's slate tops that are all on the ground  
 12 broken, et cetera, et cetera.  
 13 Can I get a Wawa update?  
 14 MS. LEE: Yes, the --  
 15 MR. WALSH: Go ahead.  
 16 MS. LEE: The Wawa --  
 17 MR. WALSH: They had Hoagie Fest, what  
 18 kind of update are you looking for?  
 19 MS. LEE: Actually the WaWa  
 20 subcommittee is meeting tomorrow to go over some  
 21 of the proposed zoning amendments to review them  
 22 and to incorporate things that the borough would  
 23 like to see included, as well as some concerns  
 24 over some of the verbiage. That will be Peter  
 25 Meyer, Dan and Connie, as well as our solicitor

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1 Would this -- when you said all necessary things,  
 2 is that what you're proposing like basically  
 3 those little flood doors on the sides of the  
 4 building? And it's just a technical question.  
 5 MIKE BURNS: The ordinance, as far I  
 6 know, doesn't actually require those, but their  
 7 intention is to be sure that as flood waters  
 8 approach the building, they don't knock the  
 9 building around obviously, so it relieves the  
 10 pressure from the flood waters. We can certainly  
 11 look into --  
 12 MR. DOUGHERTY: Well, I'm not -- I was  
 13 more curious than anything, so thank you.  
 14 MS. GERING: Any other questions?  
 15 Any questions from the public?  
 16 Council stay neutral. Thank you.  
 17 Have fun at zoning.  
 18 MR. PAUL COHEN: Thank you. We always  
 19 do.  
 20 MS. GERING: Manager's report?  
 21 MS. LEE: Nothing to report.  
 22 MS. GERING: Solicitor?  
 23 MR. WALSH: All my items have been  
 24 covered.  
 25 MS. GERING: Any public comments?

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1 and our engineer and our zoning officer. We will  
 2 all be working on that together to eventually  
 3 meet with them to discuss it further.  
 4 MR. WALSH: Well, this is -- this is  
 5 like the third turn in this thing. We met with  
 6 them in March or February after council  
 7 authorized the process for an amendment to the  
 8 zoning ordinance. So after that meeting, I sent  
 9 them a draft, I guess, council committee looked  
 10 at it. Then I sent it to him and then they  
 11 looked at it and sent it back, so that's -- so  
 12 we're looking at what came back on our initial  
 13 draft, that's where we're at. So it's not like  
 14 the first stab of this thing, this is like the  
 15 third looksy at it.  
 16 STEVEN COPPENS: Thank you. Also I  
 17 came in early today for the junior council thing,  
 18 but they weren't here, and all the lights in here  
 19 were on. I was the only one here and all the  
 20 lights were on in here. So it's costing us  
 21 money, so we might want to do something about  
 22 that.  
 23 MS. LEE: Sometimes we do have staff  
 24 that come here to set things up. It was --  
 25 because when I came at five and six, everything

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1 was off.  
 2 STEVEN COPPENS: At six o'clock I  
 3 turned them off, I left.  
 4 MR. DOUGHERTY: Well, thank you.  
 5 MS. GERING: Thank you.  
 6 MS. LEE: But I know our staff was here  
 7 earlier. I think Jim was in here earlier.  
 8 MR. ENNIS: I wasn't, but a staff  
 9 member was probably here around 4:30 that turned  
 10 everything on.  
 11 STEVEN COPPENS: I was kind enough to  
 12 turn the lights off, so, you know, I was passing  
 13 on what was imprinted.  
 14 MS. LEE: Thank you. Thank you for  
 15 your consideration.  
 16 STEVEN COPPENS: Thanks all very much.  
 17 MS. GERING: Any other --  
 18 Yes, Mr. Duffy.  
 19 ED DUFFY: Good evening, everyone on  
 20 this hot night.  
 21 MS. GERING: Please identify yourself.  
 22 Mr. Duffy, could you identify yourself for the  
 23 record, please?  
 24 ED DUFFY: What's that? 23 Arden Way.  
 25 MS. GERING: Thank you.

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1 MS. GERING: Correct.  
 2 ED DUFFY: Thank you. That's it.  
 3 Thank you.  
 4 MS. GERING: Any other public comments?  
 5 Can I have motion to adjourn?  
 6 MS. KINGSLEY: I have a question.  
 7 MS. GERING: Oh, I'm sorry.  
 8 MS. KINGSLEY: I'd like an update on  
 9 the SALDO and zoning and also a priority list.  
 10 Maybe I missed it, I thought early in the year we  
 11 were supposed to get a priority list of council's  
 12 projects for the year and maybe I missed it.  
 13 MS. LEE: Yes, I do have a priorities  
 14 list and I'll make sure I e-mail that out to  
 15 everyone on where things are, what has been done,  
 16 what has not been done and what it's in the  
 17 docket for the next couple of quarters. So I  
 18 will send something out.  
 19 MS. KINGSLEY: Because the next couple  
 20 of quarters are already a third of the way into  
 21 the third quarter.  
 22 MS. LEE: You are absolutely right.  
 23 MS. KINGSLEY: So do we have a plan on  
 24 zoning?  
 25 MS. LEE: It's on the next two

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1 ED DUFFY: I know Solebury was having  
 2 an issue with the Wawa thing. Have you guys  
 3 talked again to see if everybody's dancing  
 4 together in terms of the project?  
 5 MS. LEE: Yes. We're in touch with  
 6 Solebury with their manager.  
 7 ED DUFFY: Can you use that microphone?  
 8 MS. LEE: I don't think mine works.  
 9 Yeah, we are coordinating with Solebury, we're  
 10 talking to their manager, as well as their staff  
 11 and their board to see where things are to  
 12 coordinate together.  
 13 ED DUFFY: Are they still opposing it?  
 14 They were opposing initially.  
 15 MS. LEE: I know they are -- they  
 16 recently met or they're scheduled to meet  
 17 sometime soon, so I'm waiting for a update from  
 18 Solebury on that.  
 19 ED DUFFY: And our official position  
 20 with Wawa in terms of the --  
 21 MS. LEE: We're still talking.  
 22 MS. GERING: We don't have a position  
 23 yet, we're still in dialogue.  
 24 ED DUFFY: Waiting for the outcome of  
 25 the information.

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1 quarters, yes. It's still on my list.  
 2 MS. KINGSLEY: So just to reiterate  
 3 because I think it's critical that the SALDO,  
 4 that a committee's put together and that the  
 5 borough get started on it. When 76 percent of  
 6 the downtown is nonconforming, it's costing all  
 7 the taxpayers a lot of money by the time they  
 8 come in for a zoning hearing. And a lot of it is  
 9 unnecessary if zoning was updated, so I'd just  
 10 like to put that on the record and hope that we  
 11 get this thing moving.  
 12 MS. GERING: Noted.  
 13 Anyone else from council?  
 14 Public?  
 15 Can I have a motion adjourn?  
 16 MR. MEYER: So moved.  
 17 MS. GERING: Second?  
 18 MR. MAISEL: Second.  
 19 MS. GERING: Thank you everyone.  
 20 (Meeting concluded at 7:52 p.m.)  
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