

**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY JANUARY 5, 2017**

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Edward Child-President, Christopher Betz-Vice-President, Frederick Potter, Harcourt Trimble, Michael George and Claire Conley.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Melissa Baine-Mayor, Gregory Ghen-Solicitor (via Skype), Craig Wilhelm-Fire Marshal/CEO and Larry Smock-Secretary/Treasurer.

**MOTION ON MIUTES:** A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2016. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the December 2016 Check Register. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Mr. Ghen stated that he had conversations with the trustee for the Gruver property and attorney David Bean. The bottom line is the price we offered, which is the appraised value, would be accepted. However, we encountered a problem that there are two (2) tanks buried on the property. Mr. Ghen added that he believes that one holds gasoline and the other fuel oil. Mr. Ghen stated that we have some options. We can buy it as is but that is not what he would recommend. We can do some preliminary analysis of the site to determine if there is a problem and then we could get an approximate cost of remediation if necessary. Mr. Bean, who handles these types of things, charges \$250.00 an hour with a \$2,500.00 retainer. Mr. Ghen added that if we choose the option to go forward on the purchase, we would have to have the agreement read, if acceptable to them, that anything we pay would have to be deducted from the price. Mr. Ghen stated that it is up to Council to decide whether or not to proceed. President Child asked Mr. Ghen if there was any possibility that the trustee would go back to our original plan and accept the lot line change to allow us to follow through with our original agreement of sale on just that portion of the property we originally wanted. Mr. Ghen stated he could check and see if it would be acceptable. After a brief discussion, it was decided to have our solicitor check with the trustee to see if she would accept our original plan and contingent upon the answer go from there.

**MTASA:** The MTASA Report was accepted as presented.

**QAPC REPORT:** Mr. Trimble stated that they had discussions at the last couple of meetings about trying to bring high tech companies into the area. However, we don't know what our broad band capabilities are. We have a representative coming to our next meeting to discuss what we have and if we need more, how to get it.

Mr. Trimble stated that last month Mr. Smith gave a speech about what the school is doing about their development. They are putting in for two (2) new schools off Pumping Station Road. They met with Milford Township, Richland Township, the School district and Lehigh Valley Hospital. They met as a group to discuss traffic. The details should be worked out in the near future which will include not only the schools but a new hospital.

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Mr. Trimble stated that they did their yearly consultation with PennDOT coming up with roads that need to be repaired in the community. Mr. Trimble added that they are doing a great job repairing roads. Mr. Trimble stated that he has two (2) roads on his list to be repaired, Kumry road and Allentown Road.

Mr. Trimble stated that they are in the process of updating the Quakertown Area Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Trimble added that he would keep Council informed of the progress.

**CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION:** None

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** Mayor Baine stated that there are two (2) properties in town where ice is accumulating in the street and on the sidewalks. One is just before the Trum Tavern on Ease Broad Street and the second is on North Main Street where water down the walkway to the park and into the street. Mr. Wilhelm stated that he would check both areas. Mr. Ghen suggested that we contact PennDOT about the problem as they are both state highways and they should handle the problem. Mr. Wilhelm will take for action.

**REPORT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** None

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** None

**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Mr. Potter stated that both of our wells are back on line. Mr. Potter added that the first phase of the tower project is complete and the final phase will be the painting of the outside of the tank. Mr. Potter stated that we are also thinking about putting in a permanent interconnect with a pressure reducing valve and meter. Mr. Potter stated that the Borough Secretary has submitted a grant application for assistance in paying for the tank painting and the interconnect installation.

**PARK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Ms. Conley stated that the Winter Fest was a huge success and thanked everyone who helped and the Fire Company for their participation. Ms. Conley added that they are thinking about changing the times for next year. President Child stated that if anyone has any ideas of what else we can do, contact Ms. Conley.

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** None

**BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Mr. Trimble stated that our annual audit will be conducted Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, January 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Wilhelm stated that the condition of one of the apartments at 109 East Broad Street was terrible. Mr. Wilhelm added that there was rotten food in the refrigerator, dead bugs everywhere and baked on grease on top of the stove. Mr. Wilhelm stated that he talked with the landlord and will be re-inspecting the area. The remainder of the CEO Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Fire Marshal Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

A proposal from Mr. Tony Garbarino to paint the office was discussed. President Child stated that we have been talking for years to do the office including new carpeting and replacing the vinyl flooring in the hallways and bathrooms. After a brief discussion, it was decided to table the painting proposal until we get proposals to replace the carpet and vinyl flooring.

President Child stated that at the December meeting we agreed to apply for a Park Improvement Open Space Grant. President Child added that the application had to be in by the end of 2016. President Child stated that the application includes extending the parking area down towards Woodview, paving the driveway that goes down to the kitchen, constructing a 20' x 25' building with two (2) 8' 10' handicap accessible bathrooms with the remainder of the building to be used as storage, leveling the area where we set up the canopies for Community Day and removing the drainage pipes and putting in a foot bridge on the entrance path from Woodview to the park. President Child stated that the board will meet on January 25<sup>th</sup> and he will be making the presentation. If anyone would like to attend, you are more than welcome. President Child stated that the resolution in front of you confirms that Council discussed it and approved the application. A motion was made by Mr. Potter to adopt Resolution #2-17, Open Space Fund Allocation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to donate \$250.00 to VFW Post 11322. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

President Child reminded everyone about the scheduled meeting on January 19<sup>th</sup> to do an Emergency Response scenario with our Emergency Management Coordinator, Ms. Marilyn Bobb.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Potter to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Secretary/Treasurer

**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was held on the above date in the Municipal Building, One Evergreen Drive. President Edward Child called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Edward Child-President, Christopher Betz-Vice-President, Frederick Potter, Harcourt Trimble, Michael George, Roberta Recenes and Claire Conley.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Melissa Baine-Mayor, Gregory Ghen-Solicitor (via Skype), Craig Wilhelm - CEO/Fire Marshal and Larry Smock-Secretary/Treasurer

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2017 and the Special Meeting Minutes of January 19, 2017. Seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the January 2017 Check Register. Seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** Mr. Ghen stated that he believes that everyone has seen the emails from the environmental attorney. President Child stated that at this point in time, there are several directions Council can go. We can buy the property as is, get some environmental advice or testing or we can just abandon the property. After a brief discussion on whether to have the buried tanks pressure tested or not, Mr. Potter stated that speculation is useless. We need to find a straight answer from somebody. Mr. Ghen stated that having the testing done would be a good first step. Then, if there is a problem, we talk to the environmental attorney about how to solve it. Mr. Trimble stated that we need to inspect the house. We need to come up with a decision before we spend any money whether or not Council wants to proceed. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to decline purchasing the property due to possible tank and house problems. President Child called for a roll call vote stating that a "No" vote would mean to proceed and a "Yes" vote would mean abandoning the property. Borough Secretary conducted the roll call vote as follows: President Child-No, Vice-President Betz-No, Mr. Potter-No, Mr. Trimble-Yes, Mr. George-No, Ms. Conley-Yes and Ms. Recenes-Yes. President Child stated that that is three (3) for abandoning the purchase and four (4) to proceed with something. Therefore, the motion is defeated. Mr. Trimble stated that he thinks the first thing we have to do is go back to the trustee to see if we can even go into the house. Mr. Conley asked if there was a seller's disclosure on the property. Mr. Trimble stated there was not. Mr. Ghen stated that the property is deemed "as is". That does not mean that we could not get permission to do our investigation. It means that if the investigation shows that there are things that need to be remedied, the trustee is not going to agree at this point to engage in that. They are selling it "as is". President Child asked the Borough Secretary if it was the sister-in-law who wanted to buy the property. Borough Secretary stated it was actually the sister-in-law and the brother-in-law. President Child stated that they have indicated that if they buy the property, they would go through with the lot-line adjustment for us. President Child stated that it sounds like there are two (2) things to pursue; (1) see if the brother-in-law and sister-in-law still want to buy the property and (2) Mr. Ghen would have to find out from the trustee if they would let us do any testing and inspection of the house if it comes to that. After a brief discussion it was decided that Mr. Ghen would check with the

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trustee concerning inspections and the possibility of the in-laws buying the property without it going on the market.

**MTASA REPORT:** None

**QAPC REPORT:** Mr. Trimble stated that at the March meeting, they will be talking to PennDOT concerning road maintenance. Each member of the Committee has a list that will be presented. Mr. Trimble added that they will also be discussing traffic signals at Tollgate Road and 309.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** None

**REPORT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** None

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** None

**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Mr. Potter stated that Well #3 is almost complete and we are just about ready to turn it back on.

**PARK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** None

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** None

**BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Mr. Trimble stated that our Liquid Fuels Audit conducted by the Auditor General has been completed and everyone has a copy.

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

CEO Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Mr. Wilhelm stated that we had a fire at 199 North Main Street yesterday afternoon that was caused by a leaking propane tank. Mr. Wilhelm added that the only damage caused was a little smoke damage in front of the door and the trim around the door was blackened. The remainder of the Fire Marshal Report was accepted as presented.

Replacement of the carpet in the office, the vinyl flooring in the hallways and bathrooms, painting and the purchase of new filing cabinets was discussed. Borough Secretary stated that he has one (1) quote so far for the carpeting and flooring of which everyone has a copy. Borough Secretary added that we are expecting another quote from a second contractor. Borough Secretary stated that he has four (4) prices for filing cabinets from four (4) different companies for council to review. Mr. Trimble asked which ones had to be assembled. Borough Secretary stated that he eliminated those because they

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didn't lock. Mr. Trimble asked if we had only one quote for painting. Borough Secretary stated that we have the one quote from Mr. Tony Garbarino. Mr. Trimble suggested that we table any decision on the carpeting until next month after we receive another quote. Mr. Trimble added that he would make a motion to purchase five (5) filing cabinets from Staples at a price of \$139.99. President Child stated that we may want to table this also. President Child added that he attended a seminar on records and we may want to keep our fire proof cabinet. President Child stated that he would bring in the requirements for record keeping. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Recenes to not exceed \$5,500.00 to replace the carpeting, flooring, painting and the purchase of new file cabinets. Ms. Conley stated that all our file cabinets should be fire proof. After a brief discussion, President Child stated that we have a motion not to exceed \$5,500.00 for carpeting, flooring, painting and file cabinets. President Child added that the motion was amended by Ms. Conley to stipulate fire-proof cabinets and asked if the amendment was acceptable. Ms. Recenes stated that it was. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

President Child stated that the Upper Bucks Forum on Aging Event is being held on May 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM. They usually send out flyers asking for sponsors. Ms. Barbara Haff used to represent the Borough. President Child stated that sponsorship implies your support of the need to share the information with our community and your willingness to assist in getting the word out to seniors in your community. After a brief discussion, it was decided to include the information in our March newsletter and on our website.

Ms. Conley asked if anything was being done concerning repairs to sidewalks and areas in the street from jobs being done by UGI and/or PPL. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the Council President and the Borough Secretary would go around the Borough and make a list of what repairs were needed and by whom.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Recenes to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Borough Secretary

**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY MARCH 2, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was held on the above in the Municipal Building, One Evergreen Drive. President Edward Child called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Edward Child-President, Christopher Betz-Vice-President, Frederick Potter, Harcourt Trimble, Michael George, Roberta Recenes and Claire Conley.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Gregory Ghen-Solicitor (via Skype), Craig Wilhelm-Fire Marshal/CEO, Vince Putiri-MTASA Representative and Larry Smock-Secretary/Treasurer.

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** A motion was made by Mr. Potter to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of February 2, 2017. Seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** Mr. Trimble stated that he noticed that the street light bill had the supplier as American Power rather than Direct Energy. Mr. Trimble added that he called APPI to find out what was going on. Our representative stated that she would correct it. Borough Secretary stated that it has been corrected. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the February 2017 Check Register. Seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** None

**MTASA REPORT:** Mr. Putiri stated that we received a will to serve from the developer of the Life Quest property. They are asking the authority to rate the apartments as one-half of an EDU, which we don't do. That is why they came up with the figure of 25,800 gallons of usage per day, equivalent to 116 EDU's. In reality, it would take a lot more EDU's to serve those units than what they are asking for. Mr. Putiri added that it will be interesting to see how it plays out. The remainder of the MTASA Report was accepted as presented.

**QAPC REPORT:** Mr. Trimble stated that they had a meeting last month with the Bucks County Industrial Development Authority to discuss how to increase manufacturing in this area. Part of the discussion was how to speed up building permits. The idea is to expedite the procedure and not drag it out for months or even years. Mr. Trimble added that on March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at the Quakertown Borough Hall, the QAPC meeting will be with PennDOT.

**CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION:** None

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** None

**REPORT OF BOARDS AND COPMMISSIONS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** None

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** None

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**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Mr. Potter stated that we are looking at being able to use both forms of chlorine at the wells. Mr. Potter added that Well #3 will be in full service by the end of the month. Mr. Potter asked if we received any word on the grant for the tower and the interconnect. Borough Secretary stated that the board is meeting this month.

Mr. Trimble stated that we all have tried to get grants for street light improvements to no avail. Mr. Trimble added that during the conferences he has attended, he has talked to all the street light companies to see what we can do to upgrade our street lights or possibly convert them. The problem has been that in order to do it, we would have to buy the street lights. Mr. Trimble stated that PPL is now offering a lower rate for street lights and they also have a conversion program to LED. After a brief discussion, Mr. Trimble stated that he and the Borough Secretary will try to set up a meeting with PPL to discuss this and hopefully have something for the next meeting.

**PARK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Ms. Conley stated that the Borough Secretary talked to the three ladies from our TRAC Program and they all would like to return. A motion was made by Ms. Conley to hire Ms. Jennifer Hughes as Director and Ms. Suzanne Schoenfeld and Ms. Amanda Linske as assistants. Seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** None

**BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** President Child stated that the last communication we got from Mr. Ghen concerning the Gruver property was that the trustee was getting tired of waiting for us. President Child added that he tried to have a special meeting but couldn't get everyone together. President Child stated that he would ask each Council Member what they think. As food for thought, last month we talked about soil tests and home inspections. President Child added that the cost for a home inspection would be approximately \$500.00. The Borough Secretary called Penn's Trail Environmental, LLC for soil testing and the quoted \$2,000.00. President Child stated that he called an engineering service in Bangor and they quoted between \$5,000.00 and \$6,000.00. Mr. Potter stated that he thinks we should condemn the portion of the property we want. Mr. Potter added that he doesn't think the bankruptcy court has any authority over that. Mr. Ghen stated that he wasn't sure about that because that is an action against the debtor. Mr. Potter asked Mr. Ghen to check into it and stated that if it is put on the market, we can halt the sale for a period of one year. President Child asked Mr. Trimble his opinion. After a brief discussion, Mr. Trimble stated that his thought would be to walk away from it and see what happens when it is put on the market. President Child pooled the remainder of Council and the consensus was to walk away. A motion was made by Mr. Potter not to proceed with any action at this time. Seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

CEO Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.



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Mr. Wilhelm stated that he had a meeting at the Trum Tavern this morning because they had a major gas leak last week and failed to evacuate the tenants or notify the Fire Company or UGI. Mr. Wilhelm added that he read them the riot act and told them they would be receiving a letter in the near future. The remainder of the Fire Marshal Report was accepted as presented.

Re-appointing Mayor Baine and Mr. Francis Schad to the Planning Commission was discussed. President Child asked the Borough Secretary if he had asked the two (2) individuals if they wanted to be re-appointed. Borough Secretary stated that the Mayor was okay with it and he left a message for Mr. Schad. After a brief discussion, it was decided to table any action until contact could be made with Mr. Schad.

President Child asked the Borough Secretary to explain the two (2) records resolutions. Borough Secretary stated that all records have disposition dates, ranging from 3-7 years. The first Resolution states that Council will abide by the published schedule and the second Resolution is the actual destruction of records. President Child explained the different categories of records. President Child added that typically, only 7% are actually essential records. We talked last month and authorized the Borough Secretary to purchase some fire proof cabinets. We don't need all fire proof cabinets because we don't have that many essential records. Ms. Conley stated that we are saying that we are keeping our fire proof cabinet and that is sufficient to store what we have and purchase four (4) non fire proof cabinets. President Child stated that that is correct and one reason for that is that fire proof cabinets are \$500.00 or more apiece. Ms. Conley asked if she needed to amend her previous motion. President Child stated that we set a cost limit so we are fine. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to adopt Resolution #03-17, Municipal Records Schedule and Resolution #04-17, Records Disposition. Seconded by Mr. Potter. Motion passed and so ordered.

Resolution #05-17, Security of Municipal Records was discussed. President Child clarified what meetings and/or functions could be conducted in the Borough Building. Meetings not associated with Borough business cannot be held in the Borough Building due to lack of records security. President Child stated that our tax collector periodically uses the building to collect taxes and asked Mr. Ghen if that would be considered Borough business. Mr. Ghen stated it would. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Conley to adopt Resolution #05-17, Security of Municipal Records. Seconded by Mr. George. Motion passed and so ordered.

President Child stated that March 22<sup>nd</sup> is now the date for our Park Improvement presentation. President Child added that the painting and new flooring has been delayed a week. Painting will be done on March 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> and the flooring will begin March 15<sup>th</sup>. President Child stated that the BCBA meeting will be March 28<sup>th</sup> and it will be a legislation update.

Mr. Trimble stated that we need to confirm who is going to the PSAB Annual Conference. After a brief discussion, four (4) members of Council and the Mayor plan to attend. President Child stated that we also need to select our voting delegate and an alternate. A motion was made by Ms. Recenes to appoint Mr. Trimble as the voting delegate and Mr. Betz as the alternate. Seconded by Mr. George. Motion passed and so ordered.

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President Child stated that he has two (2) possible PSAB resolutions for Council to consider submitting. Number one is for electronic recycling and number two has to do with antenna/tower companies wanting to disregard local regulations and using eminent domain to condemn private property for a tower. After a brief discussion on the electronic recycling resolution, it was decided that President Child would get more background information and forward it to Council. President Child stated that Mr. Trimble previously made a motion to submit number one provided that more background was obtained so we can write it to make it clear and understandable. President Child asked if there was a second. Motion seconded by Mr. George. Motion passed and so ordered. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to submit resolution number two. Motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Conley to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Borough Secretary

**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY APRIL 6, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Borough council was held on the above date in the Municipal Building, One Evergreen Drive. President Edward Child called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Edward Child-President, Christopher Betz-Vice-President, Harcourt Trimble, Michael George and Roberta Recenes.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Craig Wilhelm-Fire Marshal/CEO, Vince Putiri-MTASA Representative and Larry Smock-Secretary/Treasurer.

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the March 2017 Check Register. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** None

**MTASA REPORT:** Mr. Putiri reported that they received communication from the Saint Luke's Milford Campus and they are ready to come in and are requesting a willing to serve letter from the authority.

**QAPC REPORT:** None

**CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION:** None

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** None

**REPORT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** None

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** None

**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** President Child stated that we applied for a grant to have the water tower painted and to have a permanent interconnect installed. Our application request was denied. President Child added that neither project is critical and suggested we table the projects so we can properly budget for them next year. Council agreed.

Borough Secretary stated that DEP is going to require quarterly testing for SOC's. The cost is approximately \$1,500.00 per test. President Child asked what SOC's were. Borough Secretary stated that they are Synthetic Organic contaminants. Borough Secretary added that Mr. Groff and he are filling out a waiver request and will submit it as soon as possible.

Mr. Trimble stated that we received an email from PPL regarding the street lights. They want us to fill out a form so the Borough Secretary and he will work on that next week.

**PARK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** None

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** President Child stated that we have an opening for a light maintenance utility person as was advertised in our Newsletter. President Child added that we had a couple of applicants and we conducted interviews this week. We have with us tonight Mr. Barry Horne who lives on Witchazel Drive. The feeling is that he is more than qualified and we recommend we hire him as our utility person. A motion was made by Mr. Betz to hire Mr. Horne. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

**BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** Mr. George stated that the committee did meet and discussed our need for a medical marijuana ordinance. Mr. George added that the purpose of the ordinance is to standards if someone wanted to build a facility in the Borough. We discussed including it in our existing Zoning Ordinance. The state standards are rather strict. The facility must be manned by medical personnel and operate as a clinic. President Child stated that state law now permits medical marijuana in two (2) different things; grower/processor or dispenser. The important thing to understand is that this pre-empts local zoning. The only thing we can do is determine the location. President Child added that we have a sample ordinance and if Council wants, we could have our solicitor look at it. President \Child stated that if we don't enact an ordinance saying where we want to put it, somebody could come in and put it anywhere. After a brief discussion it was decided to get more sample ordinances and do more work on what we have.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The CEO Report was reviewed and a correction was made to the address of a burning violation. The address should have read 108 Chestnut vice 128. The remainder of the report was accepted as presented.

The Fire Marshal Report was reviewed. Mr. Trimble asked what was going on with the Trum Tavern. Mr. Wilhelm stated that he had a meeting with them concerning the fire alarm and fined them \$100.00. Mr. Wilhelm added that he also had a meeting with them concerning the gas leak and informed them of the proper procedure to report it. The remainder of the report was accepted as presented.

An expenditure of \$86.00 for a notary refresher/renewal class and an updated guide book for our assistant secretary was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to authorize the expenditure. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

The travel and reimbursement form was discussed. President Child stated that in 2009, Council decided that they would not pay travel expenses and meals would be capped at \$25.00 per day. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Betz to strike the nonpayment of travel expense clause and increase the daily meal rate to \$35.00 per day. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

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President Child stated that the Borough Secretary has been issuing and signing zoning permits. President Child added that permits are legal documents and the only person who can sign a zoning permit is a duly appointed zoning officer. President Child stated that he wanted to make all zoning permits legal by appointing the Borough Secretary as our Borough Zoning Officer. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to appoint the Borough Secretary as the Borough Zoning Officer. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

President Child stated that the Borough Secretary and he went to Doylestown and made the presentation for our park grant and the committee approved it. It now goes to the County Commissioners for their review on either April 19<sup>th</sup> or May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

President Child stated that at our November 2016 meeting, Ms. Marilyn Bobb came to us as a representative from the fire company requesting Storz adapters for the fire hydrants. She made a good presentation and we decided to buy them. We bought them at a cost of approximately \$2,100.00. Mr. Wilhelm sent us a letter with an attachment from Mr. Josh Mallery saying the fire company really didn't want them. President Child stated that our impression as a governing body is that there is a communication problem at the fire house. Ms. Bobb sent us communication today stating that according to their by-laws, the two (2) people that represent the fire company are the president and the fire chief. President Child asked the Borough Secretary if he received return approval from the company we bought the adapters from. Borough Secretary stated that he did. President Child stated that we can return them for a small re-stocking fee. If the fire company doesn't want them, instead of being out \$2,100.00, we would only be out the re-stocking fee. President Child asked Mr. Wilhelm if he had an update. Mr. Wilhelm stated that he received a call from the fire chief and he stated that the Borough is the boss when it comes to the fire hydrants. Mr. Wilhelm stated that he thinks their major concern is if you put the Storz connector on the hydrant, they would have to purchase an adapter in order to hook up the hydro assist valve which allows them to increase the pressure. President Child stated that we didn't decide to put the Storz adapters on, the fire company requested them. Mr. Wilhelm stated that this all started when Marilyn and Rick went out to put the flags on the fire hydrants. Mr. Wilhelm added that the word he is getting from some people in the fire company is that they didn't know this was happening. Mr. Wilhelm stated that in his memo, he recommended that a chief officer of the fire company attend Borough council meetings and if they can't attend, then any discussion concerning operations between the fire company and the Borough could go through him. Mr. Wilhelm added that many municipalities work this way. If a chief officer from the fire company cannot attend, then it goes through the fire marshal. President Child asked how many chief officers they have. The answer was three (3). President Child stated that we want to be assured that when Ms. Bobb comes to us with a request that it has been agreed to by the fire company. Borough Secretary stated that if you read the last sentence from the email that Mr. Wilhelm received. It has the answer to the problem. President Child asked the Borough Secretary to read it. The email reads; quote "We feel that with regular maintenance our threaded steamer connections on the hydrants will be easily used by us and our mutual aid companies" unquote. President Child stated that based on the email, the impression is that the fire company doesn't want them. Mr. Wilhelm agreed. After a brief discussion, it was decided that Mr. Wilhelm would set up a meeting with the fire chief and Ms. Bobb and get in writing exactly what they want.

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President Child stated that a lot of people are having a problem opening the front door, so the question is what we do about it. Mr. Trimble stated that he thinks the door should be replaced. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the Borough Secretary would get two (2) quotes; (1) replace the mechanism and (2) replace the door.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Recenes to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Secretary/Treasurer

**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BIRIUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY MAY 4, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was held on the above date in the Municipal Building, One Evergreen Drive. President Edward Child called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Edward Child-President, Christopher Betz-Vice President, Frederick Potter, Harcourt Trimble, Michael George, Roberta Recenes and Claire Conley.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Melissa Baine-Mayor, Craig Wilhelm-Fire Marshal/CEO, Marilyn Bobb-EMC, Gregory Ghen-Solicitor (via Skype) and Larry Smock-Secretary/Treasurer.

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** A motion was made by Mr. Betz to approve the Council Meeting minutes of April 6, 2017. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the April 2017 Check Register. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** None

**MTASA REPORT:** None

**QAPC REPORT:** Mr. Trimble gave a brief summary of what transpired at the meeting. Mr. Trimble stated that he would not be able to attend the next meeting, but they will be going over a preliminary design for St. Luke's.

**CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION:** None

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** Mayor Baine stated that there are a lot of grass clippings on the sidewalks. Mr. Wilhelm stated that he talked to a couple of people about that. President Child stated that we will put a reminder in our newsletter.

**REPORT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** None

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** None

**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Mr. Potter stated that we had a water leak in the water main on West Creamery Road. Mr. Potter added that it apparently had been there for quite some time because the cause of it was a corporation which is a valve that screws into the water main and it was cross threaded. It has been repaired and we are back in business. Mr. Potter asked the Borough Secretary if he had anything. Borough Secretary stated that we are in dire need of spare parts for the water department. Borough Secretary added that Mr. Potter, Mr. Groff and he would put a list together of items needed and would like authorization of no more than \$1,500.00 to purchase the items. Borough Secretary added that he would like to create a new line item for next year's budget to purchase spare parts. A motion was made by Mr. Potter to authorize the Borough Secretary to expend no more than \$1,500.00

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to purchase a carefully selected stock of supplies for the water department. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

Borough Secretary stated that we have several people who are in severe arrears on their water/trash bills. If they don't pay, we will shut them off. However, there is one individual who hasn't paid in a long time and just recently abandoned the property. Borough Secretary added that he would like to put a lien on the property. Council agreed. Mr. Ghen requested the Borough Secretary e-mail him the information.

**PARK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Ms. Conley stated that we lost ten (10) trees. Mr. Trimble asked if the trees had a guarantee. Ms. Conley stated that the trees did, but the planting did not. Ms. Conley added that she would contact the vendor. Ms. Conley stated that we need to arrange for someone to mulch and spray the playground. Mr. Trimble stated that he took a walk in the park and the property we own between the park and the Gruver property is getting overgrown and encroaching on the walkway. After a brief discussion, it was decided that Mr. Horne and the Borough Secretary would take a look at it and come up with a plan of action.

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** None

**BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Mr. Trimble stated that we received our Liquid Fuels allocation in the amount of \$21,628.75. Mr. Trimble added that last month he brought up the idea of LED streetlights for the borough. Mr. Trimble added that each Council Member has a package that contains the number of lights that could be changed and the savings. Mr. Trimble stated that we would only be converting fifty-one (51) streetlights which would give us a savings of \$282.32 per year. The conversion and maintenance is the responsibility of PPL. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Trimble to convert the fifty-one (51) streetlights to LED lighting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

Mr. Trimble stated that Milford Township is coming up with a marijuana ordinance. You will see in your packet that Bucks County has reviewed the ordinance and it appears to cover things quite well. Mr. Trimble added that this is for the ordinance committee to review.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Zoning Officer Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

CEO Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Fire Marshal Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

A request from the Lutheran Church and VFW Post 11322 for a Bag Bingo donation was discussed. Earlier in the year, a \$250.00 donation was given to VFW Post 11322 and Council decided that would be sufficient.



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Ms. Marilyn Bobb stated that they are looking to refurbish their three (3) antique trucks and would like to hold a "coin toss" for donations. President Child asked Ms. Bobb when they planned on doing it. Ms. Bobb stated that they were thinking Memorial Day and Labor Day. After a brief discussion, the Fire Company was given the go ahead.

A quote from Monarch Door Company to replace the front door at a cost of \$2,695.00 was reviewed. After a brief discussion, it was decided to solicit more quotes.

A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to advertise the 2016 Concise Financial Statement. The motion was seconded by Mr. Potter. Motion passed and so ordered.

The Pavilion Reservation Request Form was reviewed. Borough Secretary stated that we currently charge residents who want to use the pavilion only a \$35.00 rental fee and a \$75.00 clean up fee that is refundable. If they want to use the kitchen, the rental is \$75.00 and the same clean up fee. Borough Secretary stated that he would like to recommend that the rental fee for residents who want the pavilion only be eliminated and if they want to use the kitchen, change the rental fee to \$35.00 and leave everything else as is. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Potter to adopt the new rental fees. The motion was seconded by Mr. George. Motion passed and so ordered.

Ms. Conley stated that we would like to have mulch put down in the park prior to Community Day. Ms. Conley added that Mr. Black did the mulching last year. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Trimble to allocate no more than \$3,000.00 for Mr. Black to mulch the playground, trees and flower beds. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Recenes to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Secretary/Treasurer

**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY JUNE 1, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was held on the above date in the Municipal Building, One Evergreen Drive. President Edward Child called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Edward Child-President, Frederick Potter, Harcourt Trimble, Michael George, Roberta Recenes and Claire Conley.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Melissa Baine-Mayor, Marilyn Bobb-EMC and Larry Smock-Secretary Treasurer.

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** A motion was made by Mr. Potter to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the May 2017 Check Register. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** None

**MTASA REPORT:** The MTASA Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

**QAPC REPORT:** Mr. Trimble stated that he did not attend the meeting last month but they did review the Conditional Use Permit for St. Luke's Hospital.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** Mayor Baine stated that there are some overgrown lawns in the borough and some people are walking their dogs in the park and not picking up after them. Apparently they are ignoring the signs. Mayor Baine added that she was contacted by the Milford Middle School and if you know anyone that has children that attended and had art projects, they are asking that they come and get them.

President Child stated that at the PSAB Annual Conference Awards function, Mayor Baine received her ten (10) year service award, Mr. Potter received his twenty-five (25) year service award and Mr. Trimble received the Certified Borough Official (CBO) award. Congratulations to all!

**REPORT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** None

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** None

**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Mr. Potter stated that we received a waiver for our Synthetic Organic Contaminant (SOC) testing that will save us \$33,000.00 over a three (3) year period. Mr. Potter added that we haven't put Well #3 back on line yet because we have to move a sensor. President Child asked when that would be done. Mr. Potter stated that it would be done whenever he and Mr. Groff have a gap in their schedule at the same time.

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**PARK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** None

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** None

**BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Mr. Trimble stated that we are coming up to budget time and requested that all committees come up with a five (5) year plan for [projects and submit them to the Finance Committee.

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** President Child stated that the Medical Marijuana Ordinance will be discussed under New Business.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

CEO Report was reviewed. Mr. Trimble stated that the grass and weeds in the back yard at 114 Woodview Drive haven't been mowed in quite some time. President Child stated that he mowed the front yard and after several phone calls, got an address for the owners. President Child stated that he would be composing a letter to the owners, which will be signed by our Code Enforcement Officer, stating that they are being charged \$30.00 for the front lawn mowing and if the back yard isn't mowed within ten (10) days of the date of the letter, the mowing cost will be \$100.00. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Trimble that the letter be sent and if they don't respond; we mow the grass on a regular basis and lien the property. The motion was seconded by Mr. Potter. Motion passed and so ordered. The remainder of the CEO Report was accepted as presented.

The Fire Marshal Report was accepted as presented.

The Medical Marijuana Ordinance was discussed. President Child gave a brief overview of the State law and went on to review our proposed ordinance. President Child added that they used the Milford Township Ordinance as a template as it appeared to be the most understandable. After a brief discussion which included suggested changes and additions, a motion was made by Mr. George to submit the proposed ordinance to the Borough Solicitor for review. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

A discussion ensued concerning the use of the meeting room in the borough building by individuals, groups and/or organizations. President Child stated that after conferring with PSAB, we have one of two choices. If we allow one group to use the building, we must allow anyone to use it no matter where they are from or we can restrict the use to borough business only. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the meeting room would be used only for borough business such as council meetings, committee meetings and voting due to insufficient security.

Borough Secretary stated that in the Fire Marshal Report, Mr. Wilhelm requested that the \$200.00 fine imposed on the Trum Tavern for a fire alarm caused by smoking in one of the rooms be forwarded to the Fire Company. Borough Secretary added that if you want to do that, you need a motion.

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A motion was made by Mr. Trimble that we forward the \$200.00 fine to the Fire Company. The motion was seconded by Mr. Potter. Motion passed and so ordered.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Recenes to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Secretary/Treasurer

**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY JULY 6, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was held on the above date in the Municipal Building, One Evergreen Drive. President Edward Child called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Edward Child-President, Frederick Potter, Harcourt Trimble, Michael George, Roberta Recenes and Claire Conley.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Melissa Baine-Mayor, Craig Wilhelm-CEO/Fire Marshal and Larry Smock-Secretary/Treasurer.

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** President Child stated that on page 2, under New Business, paragraph 4, line 2 should read "President Child stated that after conferring with PSAB" vice Borough Solicitor. Borough Secretary stated he would make the change. A motion was made by Mr. Potter to approve the June 1, 2017 minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** Motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the June 2017 Check Register. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** None

**MTASA REPORT:** None

**QAPC REPORT:** None

**CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION:** None

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** Mayor Baine stated that several signs throughout the Borough need replacing. Mr. Trimble stated that he had a list of all the signs that need replacing and he will give it to the Borough Secretary. The Mayor and the Borough Secretary will tour the Borough and update the list.

**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Mr. Potter stated that Well #3 is operational. We got our rebuilt injector back and it doesn't work so we sent it back. Mr. Potter added that we will be putting in a tap so we can use liquid chlorine.

**PARK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Ms. Conley stated that they did meet and went over the Park Grant Application. Ms. Conley added that she was unaware of some of the items included. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to get more bids, review the contents of the grant and see if the Lions club will take it on as a project.

Borough Secretary stated that the 2017 TRAC Program started yesterday with an enrollment of thirty-two (32).

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** None

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**BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Mr. Trimble stated that Budget Worksheets for the committees will be distributed at the next meeting.

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** The Medical Marijuana Ordinance was discussed. President Child stated that the ordinance is an amendment to our Zoning Ordinance and must be reviewed by the Bucks County Planning Committee (BCPC). After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Trimble to forward the ordinance to the BCPC for their review and comments. The motion was seconded by Mr. George. Motion passed and so ordered.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The CEO Report was reviewed and President Child stated that the report is missing the fact that a letter was sent to the owners of 114 Woodview Drive which will be discussed later. The remainder of the CEO Report was accepted as presented.

The Fire Marshal Report was accepted as presented.

President Child stated that we have three (3) quotes from Black's Tree Service for tree maintenance at three (3) separate locations. President Child added that the first one is for \$1,650.00 to cut back and thin out the trees around the borough building. Mr. Trimble stated that we could use money from general maintenance for this project. Mr. Trimble added that we could do the trees in the park using the Construction/Playground account. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the trimming of the Bradford Pears and hold off on the oaks until next year. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

After a brief discussion concerning the strip of land between the Trum Tavern and the first residence on North Main Street, it was decided to table that project until next year.

A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to remove the designated trees in the park. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

The quote from Pittsburg Tank and Tower to paint the outside of the water tower was discussed and it was decided to budget for it next year.

The donation request from Bucks County Tour of Honor was reviewed. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Trimble to donate \$250.00 to the Bucks County Tour of Honor. The motion was seconded by M. Potter. Motion passed and so ordered.

The contract from PPL for streetlight conversion was discussed. Mr. Trimble stated that the conversion would save us \$280.00 per year and the installation is free. Mr. Trimble added that a contract needs to be signed and a resolution adopted. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Trimble to sign the contract. The motion was seconded by Mr. Potter. Motion passed and so ordered. A motion was

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made by Mr. Trimble to adopt Resolution #6-17, Streetlight Conversion. The motion was seconded by Mr. Potter. Motion passed and so ordered.

President Child stated that we talked about security of the office and replacing the front door. President Child added that he thought it would be a good opportunity to discuss who needs keys and who doesn't. Mayor Baine stated she did not need a key. After a brief discussion, it was decided that no change would be made at the present time.

The situation at 114 Woodview Drive was discussed. President Child stated that a letter was sent to the owners along with an invoice for mowing the grass in the amount of \$30.00 due within ten (10) days of the date of the letter. Mr. Corona came to the office and stated that the bank locked them out of the house and they have taken over responsibility. President Child added that we then found out that the house was not part of the bankruptcy. President Child stated that after many dead ends to find out who was responsible for the property, we learned from the Milford Sewer Authority that the mortgage company is a company called Ventures 2013 ICS. President Child added that now that we know the property isn't part of the bankruptcy, we can take care of the property and put a lien on it at the end of the year. Mr. Trimble stated that at last month's meeting, he made a motion to cut the grass and it was seconded by Ms. Conley and nothing has been done. Mr. Trimble added that he agreed to the ten (10) days in the letter and here we are thirty (30) days later and still nothing has been done. Mr. Trimble stated that it is a health hazard and has to be done on a regular basis. Even if they are in bankruptcy, we still have to cut the grass because it is a hazard. After a brief discussion President Child stated that Mr. Black will clean up the property and once that is done we will hire someone to mow the grass on a regular basis. President Child added that whatever the total amount is that we pay for the mowing, we can add a surcharge of 10%. A motion was made by Mr. Potter to authorize \$500.00 for a one-time cleanup of 114 Woodview Drive by Black's Tree Service. The motion was seconded by Mr. George. Motion passed and so ordered. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to authorize \$150.00 per month to mow the grass at 114 Woodview Drive. The motion was seconded by Mr. Potter. Motion passed and so ordered. A motion was made by Mr. Potter to authorize the Borough solicitor to file a lien against 114 Woodview Drive for monies owed the Borough. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Recenes to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Secretary/Treasurer

**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY AUGUST 3, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was held on the above date in the Municipal Building, One Evergreen Drive. President Pro-Tem Harcourt Trimble called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Frederick Potter, Harcourt Trimble, Claire Conley and Roberta Recenes.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Melissa Baine-Mayor, Craig Wilhelm-Fire Marshal/CEO and Larry Smock-Secretary/Treasurer.

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** A motion was made by Mr. Potter to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of July 6, 2017. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** A motion was made by Ms. Recenes to approve the July 2017 Check Register. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** None

**MTASA REPORT:** The MTASA Report was accepted as presented.

**QAPC REPORT:** Mr. Trimble stated that we submitted the proposed marijuana ordinance to the Bucks County Planning Commission for their review and comments. Mr. Trimble added that they were concerned about the setbacks we established for the dispensaries. They also stated that the Medical Marijuana Act does not cover or require disposal requirements for left over material. Mr. Trimble stated that the Bucks County Planning Committee will be reviewing the ordinance next week.

**CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION:** Ms. Melissa O'Rourke from Healthy Kids Running Series stated that she would like to use the park for the children's cross-country race. Ms. O'Rourke added that they would only be using the center portion of the park. Mr. Trimble stated that there was mention of markings. Ms. O'Rourke stated that she would be using flags and spray paint. Ms. O'Rourke stated that it will start on September 17<sup>th</sup> and run for five (5) weeks. Ms. O'Rourke stated that the actual race will be from 3:30 to 4:30. She would like to have access to the park from 3:00 to 5:00 in order to have time for setup and cleanup. After a brief discussion, Council approved the request.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** Mayor Baine stated that our community recently suffered a tragic loss of a ten year old boy who was killed in an ATV accident while on vacation in Texas. Mayor Baine added that she is very proud of our community for showing support for the family by posting blue and white bows all over town. Mayor Baine added that she would like to thank everyone for their support.

**REPORT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** None

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** None



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**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Mr. Potter stated that we are still working on improvements to Well #3. Mr. Potter added that he believes the antennas from Verizon will be installed on the tower next week. Mr. Potter stated that the outside of the tower needs painting and we will budget that for next year. Mr. Potter added that that will be the last major improvement to the water system for many years.

Mr. Trimble stated that our ARLE Grant Application did not get approved so we will be budgeting for sign replacement and street painting.

**PARK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Ms. Conley stated that she visited the TRAC Program and met the director Ms. Jennifer Hughes who is absolutely wonderful. Ms. Conley added that she would like to thank Mayor Baine for her donation of four (3) gigantic bins filled with arts and crafts and Mr. Eugene DiNatale who donated beads and t-shirts.

The pancake breakfast was discussed and it will be held on September 16<sup>th</sup> from 8-11 AM. It will be advertised in our newsletter, flyers will be distributed and the portable signs will be placed throughout the borough. Ms. Recenes stated that we will also need volunteers.

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** Borough Secretary stated that President Child asked him to relay that the employee evaluation sheets will be distributed at the next meeting.

**BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Mr. Trimble stated that PPL will start installing upgrades to the streetlights on Broad and Main Streets; hopefully this month.

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** The Park Improvement Grant was discussed. Ms. Conley stated that she realizes that we rely on the Lions Club for their advice, labor and impact on lots of things. Ms. Conley suggested that if we want the Lions help, a representative from Borough Council should go before the Lions Club and discuss what we want and what they can do. After a lengthy discussion, all aspects of the grant were tabled.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The CEO Report was accepted as presented.

The Fire Marshal Report was reviewed. Mr. Wilhelm stated that there are two (2) new businesses in town that are really going to be an asset to the community; Midnight Madness at 118 North Main Street and Lansdale Amusement at 10 South Main Street.

Mr. Wilhelm stated that he would like Council to look into creating an ordinance to cover Knox boxes. Mr. Wilhelm added that each member of Council has a copy of an example ordinance. After a brief discussion, it was decided that it would be given to the Ordinance Committee for action.

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The extension of the terms for the four (4) members of the Planning Commission to the end of the year was discussed. Borough Secretary stated that if the extensions are approved, we will re-appoint two (2) members to two (2) year terms and two (2) members to four (4) year terms if they accept the re-appointment. Borough Secretary added that there is an opening on the Planning Commission and we will advertise that in our newsletter. After a brief discussion, Council approved the extensions.

Borough Secretary reported that we issued one (1) zoning permit to Mr. and Mrs. McKinley to install a fence.

Borough Secretary stated that we currently have liens on two (2) properties; 25 South Main Street and 114 Woodview Drive.

Borough Secretary stated that 25 South Main Street and 117 North Main Street have both been abandoned and extensive cleanup is needed. Borough Secretary added that 25 South Main Street has a lien on it and if we clean up 117 North Main Street, we can put a lien on that property if need be. After a brief discussion, Council authorized the cleanup of both properties.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Conley to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Secretary/Treasurer

**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was held on the above date in the Municipal Building, One Evergreen Drive. President Edward Child called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Edward Child-President, Christopher Betz-Vice President, Frederick Potter, Harcourt Trimble, Roberta Recenes and Claire Conley.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Melissa Baine-Mayor, Craig Wilhelm-Fire Marshal/CEO, Vince Putiri-MTASA Representative and Larry Smock-Secretary/Treasurer.

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** A motion was made by Ms. Recenes to approve the Council Meeting minutes of August 3, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the August 2017 Check Register. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** None

**MTASA REPORT:** Mr. Putiri stated that the Authority is down to the last \$350,000.00 of the capital loan that was taken out in 2006 and hopefully it will be paid off next year.

President Child stated that a few years ago, we found out that the sewer authority was going around and shutting people's water off for non-payment and we asked them not to do that. President Child added that as it turns out, the Municipal Authority Act, Appendix 5.6, talks about shutting off water and references the Pennsylvania Water Services Act. The Water Services Act, Chapter 5 Water Utilities, states that if an owner/occupant of a premise's serviced by a water utility, neglects or fails to pay for a period of thirty (30) days past the due date, the water utility shall, at the request and direction of the sewer authority, shut off the water to the premise's. President Child stated that this is a state law and we are required to shut people's water off if they don't pay their sewer bill. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the sewer authority would notify the delinquent owners/occupants by mail and post a notice on the property stating that payment is due within ten (10) days. If payment is not received within that ten (10) day period, water service will be terminated. The sewer authority will keep the borough updated and the borough will shut off water service as required.

**QAPC REPORT:** Mr. Trimble stated that Milford Township has given final approval for St. Luke's Hospital so that should be starting at any time. Mr. Trimble added that a committee has been set up through the chamber to study traffic in many areas. Mr. Trimble stated that the meetings will be held the first Friday of every month at 9 AM in the chamber building and anyone can attend.

**CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION:** None

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** Mayor Baine stated that water is still draining onto the road from 35-37 North Main Street. Mr. Wilhelm stated that he would look into it.

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Mayor Baine stated that Ms. Marilyn Bobb contacted her and asked us to make sure the generators are working and to check our radios in regards to hurricane Maria. In addition, Ms. Bobb will be contacting either President Child or the Borough Administrator about putting an emergency plan should we need it.

**REPORT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** None

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** None

**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Mr. Potter stated that Well #3 still needs some fine tuning but can be used if need be. Mr. Potter added that the Storz adapters have been returned and reimbursement received.

**PAEK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Ms. Conley stated that the Pancake Breakfast is Saturday September 16<sup>th</sup>, 8-11 AM. Anyone wishing to help should be at the park by 7 AM. Ms. Conley added that she thought December 2<sup>nd</sup> would be a good day for the Winter Fest. Ms. Conley suggested that we start it earlier this year because people come early and leave early. Ms. Conley stated that she would like to see the big oven in operation again. Mr. Potter stated that he would look into hooking it up.

Ms. Conley stated that we had a meeting at the park and we discussed maybe using part of the money from the grant to put in a toddler playground. President Child stated that we need to know where you want it and the cost.

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** President Child stated that as we discussed and approved last October, we are going to do staff performance appraisals. You have two (2) pieces of paper in front of you. The first is who would review who and the second page is the instructions. We agreed that the Borough Administrator would be done by Council, the Assistant Secretary by the Borough Administrator, the Water Superintendent by the Borough Administrator and the Public Works Committee, Fire Marshal by the Borough Administrator with input from Council, the same for CEO, the Meter Reader by the Borough Administrator, TRAC Director by the Borough Administrator and the TRAC Assistants by the TRAC Director. Mr. Trimble stated that he would like to make one suggestion. Mr. Trimble added that he would like to have input on the Assistant Secretary from Council. President Child stated that anybody who wants to can make a comment about any of the people. President Child added that we would like to have the appraisals back within a week or two.

**BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Mr. Trimble stated that we are putting the 2018 budget together for review in October so he needs input from the committees.

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** President Child stated that everyone has a copy of the proposed changes to the Medical Marijuana Ordinance by the Bucks County Planning Committee. President Child went on to review each proposal. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Potter to advertise the Medical Marijuana Ordinance as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion Passed and so ordered.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

CEO Report was accepted as presented.

Fire Marshal Report was accepted as presented. Mr. Wilhelm asked if anything was being done about the possible Knox Box Ordinance. After a brief discussion, it was decided that Mr. Wilhelm would gather more information to see if we need an ordinance as participation is on a volunteer basis.

The proposal from J&J Construction to replace the front door at a cost of \$2,400.00 was reviewed. After a brief discussion, it was decided to obtain additional quotes.

President Child stated that the Borough Administrator asked him to discuss with Council the possibility of additional hours for Mr. Horne, our utility person. Borough Secretary stated that Mr. Horne has approximately 33 hours left for the year. Borough Secretary added that Mr. Horne is currently painting the fence in the park and we still have the routine tasks for the rest of the year. President Child asked how many hours would be needed. Borough Secretary stated that an additional 40 hours should suffice. Mr. Trimble recommended a total of 150 hours. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Potter to increase Mr. Horne's hours from 100 to 150. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

President Child stated that Anderson Snow Removal Service is going out of business so we need to find someone else. President Child added that the last time we did this we developed bid specifications. However, if you look at what we have paid from 2012 thru 2016, the average is \$13,300 per year. President Child stated that it is below the requirement of \$19,500.00 for advertised bids, but above the requirement of \$10,500 for solicited bids by phone, letters or other means of communication. President Child added that Mr. Anderson recommended someone as did Mr. Black. We need to find one more to fulfill the obligation. Borough Secretary will take for action.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Recenes to adjourn. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Secretary/Treasurer

**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRAUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY OCTOBER 5, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was held on the above date in the Municipal Building, One Evergreen Drive. President Edward Child called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Edward Child-President, Christopher Betz-Vice-President, Frederick Potter, Harcourt Trimble and Claire Conley.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Melissa Baine-Mayor, Craig Wilhelm-Fire Marshal/CEO, Vince Putiri-MTASA Representative and Larry Smock-Secretary/Treasurer

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** President Child stated that on Page 2, second line, the statement “in regards to hurricane Maria” should be added after “check our radios”. A motion was made by Mr. Betz to approve the September minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the September 2017 Check Register. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:** None

**MTASA REPORT:** MTASA Report was accepted as presented.

**QAPC REPORT:** None

**CITIZEN’S PARTICIPATION:** Ms. Betsy Moyer stated that as the tax collector with hours in the borough building, she is shocked at how many people don’t know where the building is. Ms. Moyer added that she believes it is because people can’t see the sign out front. President Child stated that we have talked about a new sign and moving it but we haven’t followed up on it. After a brief discussion, it was agreed to look into an electronic sign.

Ms. Moyer stated that the other problem is the speed humps. Ms. Moyer added that she is glad that they are there but you can’t see them at times because of the sun glare. After a brief discussion, President Child stated that we are budgeting for some line striping next year and we will look into somehow highlighting the speed humps.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** Mayor Baine stated that she is seeing a lot of weeds in the sidewalks, especially on Main Street. Mayor Baine asked if this is covered in our weed ordinance. President Child stated that we may want to review the ordinance to see if we can put more “teeth” into it. People might think that it only pertains to their lawns.

**REPORT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** None

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** None

**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Mr. Potter stated that we have one more property to put a lien on. Mr. Potter added that we are down to three (3) customers that owe us money. Mr. Potter stated that the total amount due is less than \$1,500.00 which is quite a change from five years ago.

Mr. Potter stated that Well #3 is operational but is currently off line because of a leak. It can be turned on if we need it. Mr. Potter added that the fire hydrant on Woodview Drive has been repaired.

Mr. Trimble stated that the new streetlights have been installed on Broad and Main Streets.

**PARK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Ms. Conley stated that we had a great turnout for the Pancake Breakfast and thanked everyone for their help. Ms. Conley requested that thank you letters be sent to people that donated services or merchandise. Ms. Conley stated that we raised \$350.00 and collected 100 pounds of food items which were donated to the local food pantry that operates out of the Lutheran Church.

Ms. Conley stated that our Winter Fest will be held on December 2<sup>nd</sup> and we have added hot dogs to the menu.

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** President Child stated that we did meet and reviewed the performance appraisals and made some salary recommendations to the Finance Committee.

**BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Mr. Trimble stated that everyone has a copy of the 2018 proposed budget. Mr. Trimble added that we made a few changes by moving some accounts around. We moved the Accounting/Auditing to the Water Department, Assistant Secretary Salary to the Water Department, Emergency Management and Discretionary Spending to the Water Department in total. The Secretary/Treasurer salary was moved solely to the General Fund. These changes were made in order to make the Water Department financially stable. We also eliminated the position of Backup Water Operator. Our current Water Superintendent will supply someone if needed and will be responsible for payment of services rendered. The money previously budgeted for the Backup Operator will be added to the superintendent's salary. Mr. Trimble added that we also budgeted \$45,000.00 from the Cellular Fund to paint the outside of the water tower, \$45,000.00 from the Capital Fund as our share of the grant and \$5,000.00 to possibly purchase a portable speed indicator. Mr. Trimble stated that he received a letter from the fire company stating that they are purchasing a new vehicle at a cost of \$324,306.00. They are requesting a donation of \$5,000.00 per year for ten (10) years for a total of \$50,000.00. Mr. Trimble asked Council to think it over and we would discuss it at the next meeting. President Child stated that if we decide to do it, there are two (2) options; (1) donate the \$5,000.00 per year for ten years or (2) donate the \$50,000.00 in one lump sum.

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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A motion was made by Mr. Potter to adopt Ordinance #237-27, Medical Marijuana. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

CEO Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Fire Marshal Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

The quote for snow removal from Piracci's Landscaping, Inc. was reviewed. After a brief discussion it was decided to get additional bids if possible and discuss it at the next meeting.

A request from the fire company for a donation towards Bag Bingo was reviewed. Borough Secretary stated that we budgeted \$250.00 for fire company activities. Council agreed to donate \$50.00.

Borough Secretary stated that one (1) permit was issued for re-roofing.

Borough Secretary stated that everyone has a copy of Ordinance #238-17, 2018 Tax Levy. We will be voting to advertise it next month. Borough Secretary added that everyone also has a copy of the proposed 2018 Meeting Schedule. Borough Secretary stated that there are a couple of changes. The first meeting in 2018 will be Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. The second is the July meeting which would be on the 5<sup>th</sup>, the day after Independence Day. Borough Secretary suggested July 12<sup>th</sup> for the meeting. President Child stated that Council would review it and make a decision at the next meeting. Borough Secretary stated that the January 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Planning Commission would be held, if needed, on January 22<sup>nd</sup> due to the 15<sup>th</sup> being a holiday.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Potter to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Borough Secretary



**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was held on the above date in the Municipal Building, One Evergreen Drive. President Edward Child called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Edward Child-President, Christopher Betz-Vice-President, Frederick Potter, Harcourt Trimble, Michael George, Roberta Recenes and Claire Conley.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Melissa Baine-Mayor, Craig Wilhelm-Fire Marshal/CEO and Larry Smock-Secretary/Treasurer.

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** Ms. Conley stated that the word "Present" on the first page is misspelled. President Child stated that the words "should be" is typed twice. Borough Secretary will make the corrections. A motion was made by Ms. Conley to approve the October 5<sup>th</sup> minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Potter. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** Mr. Trimble stated that the check to Fire Company for \$5,614.34 is state funds. It is an in and out check. Mr. Trimble added that our lawn mowing contractor has reached the maximum cuts. Borough Secretary stated that as of today, he is at thirty-two (32) cuts. President Child stated that our bid contract specifications were an average of twenty-six (26) up to thirty (30) cuts. President Child added that we had a wet year and will probably need one or two more cuts. We can't just stop because we reached the maximum cuts. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the October 2017 Check Register. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** None

**MTASA REPORT:** None

**QAPC REPORT:** None

**CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION:** None

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** Mayor Baine stated that she is still seeing water coming down the driveway at 35-37 North Main Street. Mr. Wilhelm stated he was present when they fixed it, but he will check it again.

Mayor Baine stated that we are seeing more and more Spotted Lantern Flies. Mayor Baine added that we were told that what we should do is kill them, put them in rubbing alcohol to preserve them and call the Department of Agriculture.

**REPORT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** None

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** None

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**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** None

**PARK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Ms. Conley stated that our Winter Fest will be held December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6-8 PM. Ms. Conley added that we need volunteers and suggested that we make the fire pit bigger. Ms Conley stated that she would like to have the oven operational. Mr. Potter stated that he would look into it.

Mr. Trimble asked about the trees. Ms. Conley stated that it is only two (2) trees and she wants to wait and see what happens in the spring. Mr. Trimble asked about the warranty. Ms. Conley stated that the warranty has expired.

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** None

**BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

The snow removal proposal from Piracci's Landscaping, Inc. was reviewed. President Child stated that he was uncomfortable with only one bid and asked the Borough Secretary who he had contacted. Borough Secretary stated that he contacted Herb's landscaping twice and he stated he would come out but was a no show both times and Savage Tree Service never returned the calls. Borough Secretary added that a lady called and stated that she would send someone out when her crew returned. That was the day after the last meeting and there has been no word since. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Potter to accept the proposal for one (1) year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The CEO Report was reviewed. President Child stated that his only question is about the Trum Tavern and why only three (3) of the nine (9) units passed. Mr. Wilhelm stated that he conducted the inspections without prior notice and found a whole list of violations; smoking in the rooms cooking and extension cords among others. Mr. Wilhelm added that he would be re-inspecting next week. President Child asked Council how they felt about this and should we have Mr. Wilhelm tell them that if this continues, we will shut them down. After a brief discussion, it was decided that if it continues, the license for the failing unit will be revoked. The remainder of the CEO Report was accepted as presented.

The Fire Marshal Report was reviewed. Mr. Wilhelm asked if the \$200.00 fine he issued to the Trum Tavern because of the fire alarm could be donated to the Fire Company. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble that the fine be donated to the Fire Company. The motion was seconded by Mr. Potter. Motion passed and so ordered. The remainder of the Fire Marshal Report was accepted as presented.

President Child stated that we have a new line item in the budget entitled Discretionary Spending. President Child added that we budget \$2,000.00 but would like to set a limit of \$200.00 per occurrence.

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Anything above that would need Council approval. Council agreed. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to advertise the 2018 budget. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to advertise Ordinance #238-17, 2018 Tax Levy. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to advertise the 2018 Meeting Schedule. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

The quote from Darlene construction to replace the front door was discussed. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Potter to accept the quote. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

At 7:30 PM, President Child recessed the regular council meeting and convened an Executive Session.

President Child re-convened the regular Council meeting at 8:10 PM. President Child stated that they had a long discussion concerning the Gruver property. President Child added that earlier in the year, we had an agreement of sale with Mr. Gruver to buy a little over three acres of his property to add to our park. They then declared bankruptcy which stopped that. At that point in time, we negotiated with the bankruptcy trustee to buy the entire property for \$175,000.00 which was accepted. It was all verbal, nothing was signed. Then, we were told that there were underground tanks and we determined that it was too much of a risk for any environmental problems we may run into, so we backed out of the deal. The reason that we are talking about it tonight, is that the property is under an agreement of sale with a developer. The agreement of sale is \$220,000.00. According to the trustee, we would probably have to offer at least \$225,000.00. In addition, the developer has offered to pay all back taxes and for the removal of the tanks. If we offered \$225,000.00 they might come back with \$230,000.00. Because it could be 50-70 thousand dollars more than we originally offered, we decided not to pursue the Gruver property.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Recenes to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Secretary/Treasurer

**BOROUGH OF TRUMBAUERSVILLE  
TRUMBAUERSVILLE, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY DECEMBER 7, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council was held on the above date in the Municipal Building, One Evergreen Drive. President Edward Child called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Edward Child-President, Christopher Betz-Vice-President, Harcourt Trimble, Michael George, Roberta Recenes and Claire Conley

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Craig Wilhelm - Fire Marshal/CEO, Vince Putiri – MTASA Representative and Larry Smock – Secretary/Treasurer

**MOTION ON MINUTES:** Ms. Conley stated that on page 3 paragraph 6, the offered price should be \$220,000.00 vice \$225,000.00. President Child stated that on page 2 paragraph 1, Ms. Conley's name is misspelled. Borough Secretary will make the corrections. A motion was made by Ms. Conley to approve the November 2<sup>nd</sup> minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

**CHECK REGISTER:** Mr. Trimble stated that last month he stated his concern that Wild Goose Landscaping did not get approval from Council to exceed the number of contracted mowing. President Child stated that he is done mowing now. Mr. Trimble stated that he realizes that but he has the contract for next year and should be reminded as to what the contract states. President Child asked if anyone else had any questions. There being none, a motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the November 2017 Check Register. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:** None

**MTASA REPORT:** None

**QAPC REPORT:** Mr. Trimble stated that they will be putting together a road repair list for next year. Mr. Trimble added that he will add Main Street to the list. Mr. Trimble stated that if anyone has something they would like to have put on the list, please let him know.

**CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION:** Mr. Wesley Combs stated that he has a presentation that has to do with the proposed development but will present it later.

A resident stated that PennDOT and/or UGI have not repaired several sections of sidewalks on both Main and Broad Streets and they are becoming a trip hazard. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the Council President and the Borough Secretary would drive around the Borough and get addresses where repair is needed.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS ON THE BOROUGH:** None

**REPORT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

**PLANNING COMMISSION:** President Child stated that the Planning Commission met on November 20<sup>th</sup> to review three (3) items. The first was a lot-line change by Mr. Gary Parzych and his neighbor. President Child stated that there is no change in usage and the Planning Commission is recommending approval. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the lot-line change. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

President Child stated that the second item was from Ms. Melissa Schlothauer who wants to get her dealer's license in Pennsylvania to purchase cars and sell them on line. President Child added that the state of Pennsylvania does not allow an on line dealership. There has to be a physical location which is her parent's property on West Broad Street. President Child stated that the Planning Commission had three (3) recommendations and they are; (1) parking will not be expanded, (2) multi-vehicle transports are not allowed and (3) no vehicles on the property. President Child stated that no vehicles on the property is unreasonable as she says she will deliver the car to a location of the buyer's choice. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Trimble to change "no vehicles on the property" to no more than five (5) saleable cars on the lot. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed with five (5) ayes and one (1) nay.

President Child stated that the last item is the proposed development of the Gruver and Boyle properties. President Child added that Chairman Potter stated that there isn't any reason for the commission to recommend granting of any waivers, variances or other exceptions. Mr. Gundlach stated that they would go back and discuss the possibility of a new proposal. He was told that any proposal must meet all the requirements of our ordinances. President Child stated that what that means is, there is no actual proposal submitted to Borough Council for us to make a decision on. President Child asked Mr. Combs if he would like to make his presentation. Mr. Combs stated he would and he would like to have it on record in the minutes. Mr. Combs stated that we have had a team of people going around town talking to everybody and signing a petition. Mr. Combs distributed a copy of the petition to each council member. Mr. Combs added that we have over 120 signatures so far and everybody he has talked to is adamantly against any development of the property between Main Street and Woodview Drive. They want to keep it as open space. Mr. Combs stated that the way he would like to see the Council take this petition is that it is enabling you guys to just say no if they come back. President Child stated that he thinks this is great and it tells us that the town is behind us. President Child added that we have been against this from the beginning. President Child stated that making it open space could be a difficult proposition, money wise. President Child added that Mr. Boyle was offered a half a million dollars for his property and Mr. Gruver was offered \$220,000.00. We, as a Borough, don't have that kind of money. President Child stated that he has a call in to the Heritage Conservancy, who preserves land, to see if we can work something out with that. Mr. Combs stated that the point is; the people don't want any development there and thanked Council for their understanding. President Child stated that we appreciate all the effort you people put in by coming to this meeting and letting your thoughts be known. That is what a good community does.

Mr. Conley stated that he is a realtor and he has been trying to get an acquisition of the Gruver property for the Borough. Mr. Conley added that he personally met with the bankruptcy trustee in Philadelphia. Mr. Conley stated that he went through a lot of conversations and it ended up that we didn't offer enough money. The trustee's job is to pay off the creditors and other fees. Mr. Conley added that he

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kept pushing and pushing and he just found out tonight that the trustee has agreed to sell the Gruver property to the Borough for \$200,000.00 plus fees of approximately \$22,000.00. Mr. Conley stated that there can be no contingencies on the agreement and it must be a cash deal as is. Mr. Conley added that it is scheduled to go to bankruptcy court on December 13<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Conley stated that it is up to Council as to what they want to do. After a brief discussion, President Child asked Council what they thought. Ms. Recenes stated that we should go back to our original offer. Mr. Conley stated that the trustee has agreed to give up part of her fee to get this to work. Mr. Conley added that this is the bottom line and either you take it or you don't. Mr. Conley stated that she will be taking it to the bankruptcy court and it will be their decision whether or not to accept the offer. A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to purchase the Gruver property for \$200,000.00 plus fees. The motion was seconded by Mr. George. Motion passed and so ordered.

President Child stated that we have had a position available on the Planning Commission for quite a while. President Child added that Ms. Deborah Seifter is interested in filling that position and he and Chairman Potter think that she would be a definite asset to the commission. President Child asked for a motion to appoint Ms. Seifter to the Planning Commission. The motion was made by Ms. Conley and Seconded by Mr. George. Motion passed and so ordered.

**ZONING HEARING BOARD:** None

**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE:** None

**PARK/RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Ms. Conley stated that we had a great turnout for Winter Fest and thanked everyone who volunteered. Ms. Conley asked if we could send letters of appreciation to Lansdale Amusements for their generous contributions, the fire company and Mr. Jim Black. Borough Secretary will take for action.

**PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:** None

**BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

CEO Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Fire Marshal Report was reviewed and accepted as presented.

A motion was made by Ms. Recenes to pay the Mayor and Council members their annual compensation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

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A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to approve the 2018 Budget. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to adopt Ordinance #238-17, 2018 Tax Levy. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

A motion was made by Ms. Recenes to approve the 2018 Meeting Schedule. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trimble. Motion passed and so ordered.

A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to release the annual contribution to the Fire Company. The motion was seconded by Mr. Betz. Motion passed and so ordered.

A motion was made by Mr. Trimble to renew the Borough News Magazine and the listing in Who's Who. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

President Child stated that we currently rent space on our water tower to T-Mobile and Verizon. President Child added that T-Mobile did a review of all their sites across the country and identified approximately 6,000 that are no longer profitable. President Child added that we have a contract with them and they are proposing a new one. President Child stated that the current contract says that they can pull out at any time with thirty (30) days notice. President Child added that they are saying that it isn't profitable, but they want to stay and make it profitable. President Child stated that they will pay less but guarantee us a certain number of years. President Child added that the best deal would be for ten (10) years. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Betz to go with the ten (10) year contract with a 3% raise at five (5) year intervals subject to approval by our solicitor. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed with five (5) ayes and one (1) nay.

A motion was made by Mr. Betz to buy a Christmas ornament from the John Rivers VFW in the amount of \$50.00. The motion was seconded by Ms. Conley. Motion passed and so ordered.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Betz to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Recenes. Motion passed and so ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Smock  
Secretary/Treasurer