

January 22, 2007
7:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Doylestown Borough Council was held on the above date and at the above time in Council Chambers, with the following members present: President John ("Chip") Thome, Vice President Lou White, Council Members Detlev Ansinn, Jr., Jennifer Corr, Mark D. Double, Melissa Bond, David A. Bull, and Darrin M. Hoffman. Also present were: Mayor Libby White, Borough Manager John H. Davis, Chief James Donnelly, Assistant Borough Manager/Zoning and Planning Director Philip Ehlinger, Borough Solicitor Charles T. McIlhinney, Borough Engineer Bob Solarz, and Code Enforcement Officer/Fire Marshal David Cell. Council Member Lori Clipner and Director of Finance Caroline Leiter were not at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1) December 18, 2006 Council Meeting

Upon motion (White-Ansinn) to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2006 Council Meeting, all Council Members present were in favor, Darrin Hoffman abstaining since he was absent from that meeting.

RESIGNATION OF COUNCILPERSON

President Thome drew everyone's attention to a letter of resignation in front of them that was submitted by Lori Clipner and, for the public's purpose, read it aloud:

It is with great regret that I tender my resignation from Doylestown Borough Council, effective January 29, 2007.

Due to personal and family reasons that make it impossible for me to continue to devote time to Borough Council, I will no longer be able to serve the residents of Ward 2 of Doylestown Borough. These changes were unforeseen when I made the decision to run for Council back in 2004.

It has been my great privilege and honor to serve on this Council. This Board truly operates as a cohesive unit, putting the best interests of the Borough first, to the great benefit of the residents of Doylestown. John Davis, Phil Ehlinger, Chief Donnelly and the entire staff of the Borough office are an incredible group of professionals, and we are very lucky indeed to have them at our service.

I wish the very best to Borough Council and the staff for the continued success, and I have every confidence that they will continue to make the right decisions. This is one heck of a great place to live, and that certainly didn't happen without careful

planning, foresight, consideration, and honorable action. I will always consider Doylestown to be my home.

Very truly yours,
Lori Clipner

President Thome stated he understood that Doylestown Borough Council has thirty days within which to appoint a replacement councilperson. The replacement would serve until the next general election in November and would then have to run for the remaining two years of the term. Solicitor McIlhinney confirmed this and stated the appointee would serve until January 2008 and since the vacancy exists prior to February 13, 2007, which is the first day that you are allowed to circulate nominating petitions, candidates for the position will be on the primary ballot for May 8, 2007, and then they would run in November. So in answer to the question, yes, the replacement person would run in November.

President Thome stated the resignation has been made effective January 29, 2007, one of the reasons being that it will give us the full thirty days to advertise and interview for the opening, and then at our February 26, 2007 Council Meeting, we'll be within that thirty days.

Upon motion (White-Hoffman) to accept the resignation of Councilperson Lori Clipner, all Council Members present were in favor. Moved and seconded. Discussion: Councilman Hoffman confirmed it's effective January 29, 2007, and Mr. White stated accepted with regret. All Council Members present were in favor.

Councilman Hoffman asked if staff has been instructed to advertise. President Thome felt with the advance notice of this, staff had the advertisement prepared. Mr. Davis confirmed an advertisement was prepared on Friday when the letter was received and it should be in by the end of the week.

President Thome stated that once applicants are given an opportunity to submit, a special Personnel Meeting would be scheduled where we are all invited to attend and interview. Mr. Davis said approximately a week from the notice for applications would be allowed, and then interviews would be set up with Borough Council sometime in first/second week of February. President

Thome stated that thirty days is not that much time and Manager Davis confirmed it will be a fairly compressed process.

President Thome added that we had advertised the various vacancies on our boards and commissions, we received applicants, and the date for interviews for those applicants is Monday, January 29, 2007, at 7:00.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - Mr. White

Mr. White stated there was no meeting, but what is in everyone's packet tonight is essentially a review of the budget and the Treasurer's Report for all of 2006. Beginning with the next packet, we will place a comparison of what we have on hand, what is budgeted, and what is spent right in the section for the Finance Committee Report. There will also be a review of the capital budget at that same time.

WATER - Mr. Bull

Mr. Bull stated they met this month and reviewed a generator bid that was issued and received back on December 22, 2006. The Budget was \$20,000, but all of the bids were over. The lowest bid came in at \$7,758 over. It was decided, based on review of existing capital expenditures, including the necessity of some emergency pump repairs in 2006, to recommend rejection of all of the bids.

Ms. Bond asked with regard to the first bid that was rejected, the lowest bid, what specifications, weren't met. Mr. Davis responded that they failed to submit any bond or really any information about the bid, that an opportunity was given to the company afterwards to supply the information so we could make it available to you and you could decide whether that bid was responsive, but after a number of phone calls, they just didn't comply. We concluded we could not award to them.

Upon motion (Bull-White) to deny/reject the bids, all Council Members present were in favor.

COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS - Mr. White reported for Ms. Clipner

1) Fire Marshal's Report - December 2006

- Doylestown Fire Co. No. 1 Report - November 2006
- Central Bucks Ambulance and Rescue Unit Report

2) Code Enforcement Report - December 2006

Mr. White said both of the above reports are in everyone's packet.

Mr. White asked Mr. Cell if he wanted to comment on the major fire on Chestnut Drive.

Mr. Cell replied that the Fire Company classified it as a total loss, which is their opinion of the loss of the property. The insurance company generally comes up with their own loss that they calculate and it normally does vary between what the fire company anticipates and what the insurance company anticipates. Mr. Cell stated he has a meeting next week with the property adjuster on site to determine whether the residence has to be demolished and rebuilt, or if they're able to save part of the structure and rebuild on it.

Mr. Cell stated that a private electrical engineer came to the scene and investigated what we investigated. Their determination was that the fire originated at the surge protector in the area of the TV.

Mr. Thome asked Mr. Cell, "Isn't a surge protector suppose to 'protect'?" Mr. Cell responded that it seems this one malfunctioned at a certain extent.

Mr. White discussed the upcoming Wednesday, January 31, 2007, Safe Walking Initiative town meeting. Mr. White described how the meeting will be conducted and urged Council Members to come and help. It is going to be an interactive evening. As people arrive, they will be given a True and False quiz on the rights and responsibilities of drivers and pedestrians. The Chief and Mr. White will then help people to self-mark their quizzes, which will be a way of informing the public what the law says about walking and the rights of walkers, and, of course, the responsibility of drivers.

Mr. White said a staff member would then explain what the Borough has been doing over the last ten years in the way of making walking safer and more pleasant.

Mr. White stated small groups would be formed and then the people would be asked to help us answer the questions that are in the paid ad you may have seen. The three questions are, "What frustrates you about walking in Doylestown?" How can we educate pedestrians and drivers about walking, and how can we market and alert the public to this whole idea, this whole project? Also, as people arrive, they will be given some dots. There will be two large maps of the town here for people to place their dots on locations that they feel are really dangerous/critical for people walking. There will also be index cards available for people to describe in more detail what they consider to be the issue at that location.

Mr. White stated that the end result should be a lot of good information coming back to our committee about where the locations are that people feel are dangerous and maybe some ideas about how we can educate pedestrians and drivers, and also market this whole idea. So, if Council Members can be present to give out dots, index cards, and so forth, that would be very helpful.

Mr. Thome conveyed that there were a couple of items that are normally in these packets and some numbers jumped out at him, and he wanted to make some recognition. For example, the Central Bucks Ambulance monthly report. One number jumps out: "Total 911 dispatches for 2006 ending November - 1176" 911 dispatches. Mr. Thome said that's 100 a month by his calculation, and he just wanted to make sure we all appreciate how responsive they are.

Mr. Thome continued by stating another item is Kelli Scarlett's report. On a monthly basis, it always amazes me how much Kelli does. She's not here tonight, but just for the month of December, "46 Use and Occupancy Inspections completed and permits issued," and a bunch of other miscellaneous, but in addition, 24 hours of training. Kelli Scarlett is a trained trainer. She conducts training for council people and a lot of other people, and that shouldn't go without recognition.

PUBLIC SAFETY - Mr. Hoffman reported.

Mr. Hoffman stated there are two items on the Agenda this evening, one of which is creating a residential parking district and two-hour parking on Church Street, between Court Street and State Street. Mr. Hoffman said this was in conjunction with the meetings they have had with people

on Garden Alley and the conversations that ensued out of that. Mr. Davis confirmed the Ordinance had been advertised.

Upon motion (Hoffman-White) to adopt Ordinance 2007-1. Mr. Ansinn commented that this was something that residents who live on Church Street were really looking for and stated that as Council, we put a great deal of due diligence in regarding how it would affect the neighbors. Mr. Ansinn said Councilman Douple took a hands-on approach and addressed the problem that was affecting the neighborhood, and that he was really happy we're doing it.

Mr. Thome called for the vote to adopt Ordinance 2007-1. All Council Members present were in favor.

Mr. Davis noted, as a follow-up, that the Chief will be notifying the residents that are in the district by letter within the next week or so and once the residents have had an opportunity to come in and get their free permits and guest passes, and have the program explained to them, then the appropriate signage would be put up that will limit the parking for all other people. Mr. Davis stated it would probably be about a thirty-day period of implementation.

Mr. Hoffman reported that the second item on the Agenda is the consideration of our first Resolution of the new year, 2007-1, regarding the purchase of police supervision services. In other words, for outside purchase police coverage, whether it be for an event or something like that, this sets the rate for that. Mr. Hoffman stated this was not discussed this at Public Safety as there was no meeting this month, but he understood that Chief Donnelly was recommending these rates.

Chief Donnelly responded by stating we have to increase our rates by Resolution because of the contract. This is a new year and the contract for salary goes up. Therefore, the cost of police supervision goes up, so Council has to approve that and the Chief recommended it.

Mr. Hoffman questioned whether this is retroactive to January 1, and Chief Donnelly replied that it is.

Mr. Hoffman motioned that Resolution 2007-1 be adopted, that the rates are here if anybody would like to take a look at them, and it also sets the rates going out for the length of the contract

as well, which is through 2011, so anybody requiring those services would know their costs in advance. Mr. Ansinn seconded the motion.

Ms. Bond asked if this is an hourly rate and Mr. Hoffman responded that it was.

Mr. Douple noted that our part-time fire police officers are at a higher rate than our part-time police officers. Chief Donnelly responded that has been going on since he has been here and would like to bring it up at the next Public Safety Committee Meeting for an adjustment. Mr. Hoffman stated it could be put on the Agenda, but he thought we probably need to adopt this now.

Ms. Bond asked with the rate, if there is there a minimum – can you get police for one hour for \$35.00 or whether there is a minimum amount of hours. Mr. Hoffman and Chief Donnelly replied they thought it was a minimum of two hours.

Mr. Davis added that it is the Chief who decides what officers go out. They make the determination as to what is necessary for a particular event to maintain public safety.

Mr. Thome stated that at CB West basketball games: 1) he has seen some Doylestown Township officers there, and 2) a lot of private security people are there. Chief Donnelly explained that if the School District want to hire police officers and our officers are not available, then we extend it out to other police departments, Doylestown Township is one of the closer police departments, but we charge the same hourly rate that Council has approved. We offer it to our full-time officers first, our part-time officers second, and if we can't get anybody to fill in, then we go to outside police departments.

Mr. Davis added that it is by contract we must let the full-time officers have the first opportunity for overtime that is going to be reimbursed by a third party.

Mr. Thome stated it has been moved and seconded to adopt Resolution 2007-1, and all Council Members present were in favor, and the motion carries.

RECREATION, SHADE TREE AND PROPERTY - Ms. Corr: No report.

Mr. Douple interjected that you would have received a copy of the letter that went to Texas Eastern in your packets about two weeks ago. They came in and requested a temporary construction easement for a parcel in the borough so that they would have a place to shed some

equipment while they were doing some work on their pipeline. While we were not opposed to it, the problem lay in that they would be removing 256 caliper inches of trees, which if a private resident would want to do this, they would have to reimburse the Shade Tree Removal Ordinance fee of \$25,600. So, we thought that the location of where they wanted to store these items was not a bad thing; the fact that we would be removing 256 caliper inches of trees was not a good thing, and some of those trees we would not want to have removed even if we were reimbursed.

Mr. Thome asked where this was, and Mr. Davis stated it's where the pronounced bend is in Shady Retreat Road - the northern portion of the Borough's Harvey Avenue Public Works' facility that sticks up into Doylestown Township. The Texas Eastern pipeline runs through that and crosses Shady Retreat Road at the edge of that property and that's where they're looking for a little extra width. Mr. Davis said they already have a fairly robust easement there and they're looking for a little more space as they'd like to do some staging there. Hopefully, they will take us up on our offer of compromise.

Mr. Thome questioned whether the Committee has taken a position. Mr. Double stated the Committee suggested to them that we didn't feel it was appropriate for these trees to be removed and that at the rate they were going to pay us, we would not be compensated for the trees we would have lost. There is a possibility by shifting where they want to have this easement at the same location or reducing the amount of the easement, we might be able to do that without the loss of at least some significant trees and that was what was a response was in the Committee.

STREETS - Mr. Ansinn: No report.

ZONING AND PLANNING - Mr. Double

Mr. Double gave the HARB report for December.

1) Historic and Architectural Review Board Recommendations

A. **30 North Pine Street** - They are requesting to install new business signs conforming with Borough Ordinances. This application is recommended to be approved as submitted.

B. **53 West State Street** - Zaveta Construction, seeking to renovate the store front windows and entrance door. This application is recommended to be approved as submitted.

C. **82 East State Street** - Zaveta Construction, seeking to construct a residential addition and renovate the existing structure. This application is recommended to be approved as submitted, with conditions that the foundation is not covered with stucco finish and the railings are constructed with wrought iron. Mr. Douple stated he understands that the applicant is in agreement with that. [Reply: that is correct.]

D. **85 East Oakland Avenue** - Zaveta Construction, seeking to construct a new residential dwelling. The application is recommended to be approved as submitted, with the condition that a full width front porch with traditional posts, brick piers, and standing seam copper roof is added to the front of the dwelling. Mr. Douple stated he understands that the applicant is also willing to comply.

Mr. Douple stated that if Council agrees with the HARB recommendations, it may grant approvals by carrying a motion to do so and he so moved. Mr. Ansinn seconded. Mr. Thome stated it was moved and seconded, and all Council Members present were in favor.

**2) Final Minor Subdivision Approval for Zaveta Construction
at 82 East State Street, T.M.P. 8-9-47**

Mr. Douple confirmed that Mr. Zaveta was present. Travis Hutchinson from Zaveta Construction and Kevin Kestner from VanCleeef Engineering was present to speak on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Douple said the Zoning & Planning Committee has reviewed the application for the a Minor Subdivision at 82 East State Street, T.M.P. 8-9-47. The application involves the creation of one new conforming building lot on the Oakland Avenue frontage and the renovation and restoration of the existing historic dwelling on State Street. Both lots will be conforming to all zoning regulations. The Planning commission has recommended conditional approval at their December meeting.

The Committee is recommending that Council grant Conditional Final Subdivision approval provisional on the applicant's agreement and compliance with the following conditions:

1. That the applicant resolve any outstanding issues in the Borough Engineer's review letter dated December 6, 2006, and any subsequent letters, to the satisfaction of staff.
2. That the applicant resolve any outstanding issues in the CKS Engineer's review letter dated November 13, 2006, and any subsequent letters, to the satisfaction of staff.
3. That the applicant provide and install 3 historic streetlights at locations determined by the Borough Engineer.
4. That all renovations and new construction be approved by the Historic & Architectural Review Board.
5. That in all respects the project comply with the laws and regulations of the Borough, County, and Commonwealth.

And in consideration of the foregoing, that the following Waiver of the Subdivision/Land Development Ordinance be granted:

1. §516 (f) Grading within 5' of property line
2. §509(c) Driveway slope greater than 8%

Mr. Douple asked whether the applicant was in agreement with the conditions, and Mr. Zaveta stated he was. If Council agrees with the Committee's recommendation, then it may grant Conditional Minor Subdivision Plan Approval by carrying a motion to do so, and Mr. Douple so moved. Mr. Hoffman seconded. Mr. Thome confirmed moved and seconded.

A question was posed by Mr. Hoffman as to the color brick going to be used, tan or red. Mr. Zaveta stated they were trying to pick up brick similar to the primary existing ones. Mr. Hoffman said, more of a reddish. Mr. Zaveta said there's a little bit of distortion for the reproduction and we're actually working on matching the bricks to the primary ones. Mr. Hoffman told Mr. Zaveta that if they found a good source, there's probably other people in town that would like to know as it seems to be a lot of that brick.

Mr. Thome commented that Mr. Zaveta, with this project, did indeed explore several different options previous to this application. Mr. Thome said Mr. Zaveta did it the way we like it to be done - informally went to several of our Boards and Committees and was very responsive as he usually is to the comments and suggestions made, and this resulting project is indeed responsive and I just want to thank you Mr. Zaveta as usual for being a good neighbor and responsive to the Borough. Mr. Zaveta said he appreciated that.

Mr. Thome again confirmed it was moved and seconded to grant Conditional Minor Subdivision Plan Approval and all Council Members present were in favor. Mr. Thome stated the motion carries.

3) Land Development Waiver and Site Development Plan Approval for Doylestown Cemetery Storage Shed Addition

On behalf of the applicant, Peter Fernandez of Carter Van Dyke Associates was present.

Mr. Double stated the Zoning & Planning Committee has reviewed the application for Land Development Waiver and Site Development Plan Approval for the construction of a small addition to the storage shed at the cemetery. The project has previously received a recommendation for approval from the Borough Planning Commission.

The Zoning & Planning Committee is recommending that Council waive Land Development and grant Site Development Plan approval provisional on the applicant's agreement and compliance with the following conditions:

1. That the applicant resolve any outstanding issues in the Borough Engineer's review letter dated December 6, 2006, and any subsequent letters, to the satisfaction of staff.
2. That the applicant enter into the usual Land Development Waiver Agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Borough Solicitor.
3. That in all respects the project comply with the laws and regulations of the Borough, County, and Commonwealth.

Mr. Double asked if the applicant was in agreement with these conditions and the response was "Yes."

Mr. Double stated that if Council agrees with the committee's recommendation, then it may grant a Conditional Land Development Waiver and Site Plan Approval by carrying a motion to do so, and he so moved. Mr. Ansinn seconded. Mr. Thome confirmed it was moved and seconded. There was no further discussion and all Council Members present were in favor of the motion.

4. Authorization to Advertise a Zoning Amendment Relating to Signs

Mr. Double stated the Solicitor prepared an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Sign Regulations. The purpose is to augment the existing regulations as they relate to freestanding off-premises advertising signs billboards. The Borough has few appropriate properties for such signs

and we have been successful heretofore regulating them. This improved ordinance language will add an additional tool to the Borough's "regulatory toolbox" and will help deal with the billboard companies in the area who have recently become more aggressive.

Mr. Douple further stated that because of the time frame for the Ordinance's preparation, the Zoning & Planning Committee has not yet had a chance to formally make a recommendation. If Council agrees with the advertising of the Ordinance then a Motion may be made and carried by the full board. Mr. Douple made the motion and it was seconded by Mr. Bull.

Discussion was led by Mr. Ansinn regarding Council Person Douple's point that this is about making sure we have the items in the toolbox, regulatory tools. This strengthens those tools.

All Council Members present were in favor, and the motion carries to advertise the Ordinance.

ENGINEER'S REPORT - No report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT - No report.

ZONING HEARING BOARD REPORT - Mr. Ehlinger

Mr. Ehlinger reported that the Zoning Hearing Board held a hearing on January 17, 2007, and heard the application of Salvatore and Jacqueline Mannino, owners of 24 North Main Street, who requested variances concerning required parking for a proposed change of use. Their Zoning District is Central Commercial. Mr. Ehlinger stated the Board will render a decision within 45 days or at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Mr. Ehlinger reported that the Board also rendered a decision in the application of Greg and Jane LaGreca of 330 East State Street, whereby their request for variances to enclose and cover an existing patio was granted and approved.

PERSONNEL - Mr. Thome

Mr. Thome stated that attached in your packets is a request from the Village Improvement Association, the "VIA," for the reappointment of Donald L. Toner to another term on the Doylestown Hospital Authority. His current term expired December 31, 2006, and the reappointment will be for a five-year term, commencing on January 1, 2007.

Mr. Thome stated he was assuming, asked if anybody knew, that is Donald L. Toner, Sr. Mr. Davis confirmed. Mr. Thome stated, "a finer gentleman you will not come across" and Mr. Thome therefore heartily moved to grant the request to reappoint Donald L. Toner to the Doylestown Hospital Authority. Mr. Ansinn seconded.

Mr. Hoffman voiced his concern that he brought up in the past that although there is a very competent Board at the VIA, we have requested that whenever there is an appointment or reappointment that at least some background on the person, perhaps a resume, certainly reappointment isn't quite as much as a concern, but a lot of the Council people weren't on Council when we initially appointed Mr. Toner, and I don't know how we can get that message to the proper people so we get at least some minimal background information. Mr. Thome suggested perhaps Mr. Davis could send them a letter reminding them to do that next time. Mr. Davis replied that we have not been asking for this for reappointments, and that if you want that extended to reappointments, reappointment is somebody we've already seen before, and given Mr. Toner was fairly well-known, we chose not to follow up on that. Mr. Hoffman stated he wasn't concerned here, just there are new Council people all the time and they may or may not know the people, and this would be helpful. Mr. Davis stated, in that case, we will extend our request to them.

Ms. Bond added for the record that she has known Mr. Toner as well as Chip does, and she has lunch with him on a regular basis at the lawyer's lounge and we could not ask for finer gentlemen. He has been in the area for many years and is very well respected by the judges, as well as everyone in the community.

Mr. Hoffman stated it had nothing to do with Mr. Toner that he brought this up, it's just that there is another appointment there and if you do it for one, you do it for all. Ms. Bond said except for Mr. Toner, we'll make an exception.

Mr. Thome motioned to reappoint Don Toner to another term on the Doylestown Hospital Authority (Thome-Ansinn), and all Council Members present were in favor.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Libby White stated she had a really interesting month. She conducted swearing in of the fire department officers and fire police on January 3. She went to a meeting of the Doylestown Art League, which is reflective of how rich our culture is in this town. She attended a meeting of the Regional Task Force on Aging, where they are really moving forward with the programs for elderly people. The Doylestown Nature Club had a wonderful program on the environment, Vision Architecture, which was a fascinating story about how the new green architecture can be so helpful in our towns and in saving energy. Our second Senior Open House was held here at Borough Hall and our Borough Manager John Davis and Lou White were present and answered questions that our audience had. She performed two weddings here in Council Chambers; and, had a wonderful visit from some disabled students from CB South who wanted to meet Mr. Davis and the Mayor. The students brought little presents, and it was just delightful. Their teacher is Mary Barr and we learned about their program.

Ms. White stated that yesterday she was honored to present the Borough Proclamation to Brian Kuhns of Doylestown, who received his Eagle Scout Award at a Court of Honor at Doylestown Methodist Church.

Ms. White thinks this is a wonderful kaleidoscope of what we have in Doylestown.

The Doylestown Borough Police Department's report of statistics is here. 73 arrests were made, no traffic accidents involving a death, one traffic accident involving property damage, five reportable accidents were investigated, 29 non-reportable accidents were investigated, and 1133 complaints were received and appropriate action was taken to remedy them. Ms. White asked Chief Donnelly to further report on police activity.

Chief Donnelly stated in doing the yearly statistics for 2006 and noticed that thefts from autos are way up. There were 205 thefts as compared to 174 last year. 71 of those thefts were thefts from autos or 34% of all our thefts. The thing about it is that they are thefts from unlocked autos, so that's a major concern. The Chief asked that the public lock their cars, even in their doorways. Use common sense dos and don'ts. Do lock your car even when it's in your own

driveway; do lock your home when you leave it; do call the police if you witness suspicious activity; do get a good physical description of any suspicious activity; do report any theft from your home or car no matter how small or insignificant, as it helps to develop patterns; and, don't leave valuables, PDAs, laptops, money, etc. in your car and if you do leave them, put them in the trunk. Chief Donnelly stated these thefts are enabling criminals to fuel drug activities in town, so besides taking the hit for the theft, we're also taking it for drugs. He said it would be appreciated if the public would lock their car doors and keep their valuables out of sight.

Mr. Ansinn followed up on Chief Donnelly's report stating he looked at the statistics earlier and saw seven IPOD thefts in December alone. He said IPODs are a high dollar item and are small. Chief Donnelly said a thief would take an IPOD, a \$200-\$300 piece of equipment, and sell it for \$10.00. He said parents think they are well by buying a their child a nice IPOD and they leave it out. Chief Donnelly asks that they lock it up.

Mr. Douple stated that although we usually have "feel good" articles in our Borough newsletter, maybe it would be appropriate in our next Borough newsletter to basically list that what the Chief stated, just put it in the newsletter as a reminder. Mr. White stated he believed there was an article planned. The Chief confirmed there is, on this very item.

The end of Mayor's report.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

TREASURER'S REPORT - Ms. Leiter

As Ms. Leiter was not present due to the flu, Mr. Davis gave the Treasurer's Report for the month of December, which was included in Council's Packet. The ending balance as of November 2006: \$1,099,000.00; revenues for the month in the General Water Fund: \$603,000 less expenditures in those funds \$341, ending balance as of 12/31/06: \$1,361,000. Mr. Davis stated the voucher is payable as well, including the transfer of \$165,000 to Bucks County Water and Sewer Authority. That concluded the Treasurer's Report and Mr. Davis said if Council wishes to approve it, they may do so by motion. Mr. Thome so moved, and Mr. Ansinn seconded. Mr. Thome

stated it was moved and seconded, asked if there was any questions or discussion. All Council Members present were in favor of approval of the Treasurer's Report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council adjourned for an executive session regarding litigation involving the *Footsteps to Learning v. The Zoning Hearing Board*.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion (Thome-Ansinn) to adjourn the January 22, 2007 Council Meeting, all Council Members present were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

John H. Davis
Borough Manager