

BOROUGH OF DARBY
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING
September 21, 2022

The Darby Borough Council met in Borough Council Chambers on the above date with the following members present: President Rudolph Taylor, III, Vice President Tracy Williams (via telephone), Ms. Hill (excused at 7:55 pm), Ms. Davis, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Thompson, Mrs. Pratt and Mrs. Parks. Also present was Mayor Burrell, Borough Manager Mark Possenti, Police Chief Joseph Gabe, Borough Solicitor Charles Gibbs & Borough Engineer Eileen Mulvena. Mrs. Rozeta Johnston was absent.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Burrell and Council President Rudolph Taylor presented Officers Jeiko Rodriguez, James Pasani and Terrell Lee with Certificates of Valor for their actions during a stop in the Borough of Darby. Certificates were presented to Officers Taylor Mulhern and Lee for Bravery for the same.

Council took a brief recess.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Salowa Attarki, 645 Darby Terrace: Ms. Attarki discussed that her street has not been cleaned this year due to the lack of the street sweeper. She stated that everyone got a speed bump in the Borough and one is needed on her block. She discussed the issue with the food at the School District. Ms. Attarki stated that there is no activities for the youth in Darby and would like to see a park or some activities at the Recreation Center.

John & Jan Haigis, 1006 Main Street: They stated that OcTrolley Fest will be held on October 15th. This is the 18th year. Thanked the Borough for supporting the event every year. Artwork is due on the 12th. There will be a reception on the 20th at Sharon Bank from 3:30 to 4:30 for all the art work winners.

Lynne DeShields, 308 South 7th Street: Thanked Omar & Lucille for the Book bag appreciation day. Stated that the State Rep. Joanna McClinton book bag giveaway was a great event. Gave a big thank you to the Police and Fire Department for all that they do in the community. Told everyone that National voter registration day was yesterday and everyone needs to get out to vote. She is excited because the Recreation Center will soon be full of activities. Next year she wants a big National Night Out.

Dianna Jones, 321 Marks Avenue: Ms. Jones asked if they can get the poles on the X's on the corners. She asked about the rules for parking trailers on Borough streets. Questioned about trees hanging over and damaging other people's property.

NRO:

Sidie Saccoh, 6516 Woodland Avenue: Wants to operate a check cashing/bill paying business named Taste of Africa located at 6 Chester Pike. Hours of operation will be Monday thru Saturday 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM and on slower days closing at 8:00 PM. Motion made by Mrs. Parks; 2nd by Mrs. Pratt to approve the business. Motion carries 7-0.

ENGINEERS'S REPORT:

See Attached.

Motion to accept the Engineer's Report made by Mr. Thompson; 2nd by Mr. Robinson. Motion carries 7-0.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

See Attached.

Motion to accept the Mayor's Report made by Mr. Robinson; 2nd by Ms. Davis. Motion carries 7-0.

Approval of August 17, 2022 – Council Meeting Minutes, Library, Ordinance/Zoning, Finance, Municipal Services, Public Safety, Community Relations and Recreation Center Minutes and Reports:

Motion made by Ms. Davis; 2nd by Mrs. Pratt to approve the minutes and reports. Motion carries 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Paid Bills – September 2022:** Motion made by Mr. Thompson; 2nd by Mrs. Pratt to pay the bills for the month of September 2022. Motion carries 7-0.
- b. **Handicap Parking Applications:** Motion made by Ms. Davis to approve 709 Pine Street, 36 South 14th Street, 1107 Lawrence Avenue and 328 North 10th Street; 2nd by Mr. Thompson. Motion carries 7-0.
- c. **Ordinance #800 (Act 167 – Storm Water):** Mr. Taylor opened the public hearing. Mrs. DeShields commented if this is going to help the flooding in the Borough. The public hearing was closed. Motion made by Ms. Davis; 2nd by Mrs. Pratt. Motion carries 7-0.
- d. **Motion made By Ms. Davis; 2nd Mr. Robinson to accept the resignation Part Time Officer Ibrahim Katouni and the hiring of Turnkey Joseph Eaton. Motion carries 7-0.**

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS:

- a. Fire Chiefs Report: See attached.
- b. Tax Collectors Report: See attached. Motion to transfer \$34,454.91 from the Tax Fund to the Sewer Fund made by Mrs. Parks; 2nd by Mrs. Pratt. Motion carries 7-0.
- c. Solicitors Report: Mr. Gibbs stated that Council met in Executive Session tonight to discuss potential litigation.
- d. Police Chiefs Report: Chief Gabe gave the monthly crime stats report and passed out to Council and Mayor photos of a recent house where drugs were recovered.

- e. Managers Report: Mr. Possenti stated that we will discuss the ceremony for Ms. Smiley at the October Committee Meeting.

Motion to accept the Fire Chief, Tax Collector, Solicitors, Police Chief and Managers Reports made by Ms. Davis; 2nd by Mrs. Parks. Motion carries 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Davis; 2nd by Mrs. Pratt. Motion carries 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Possenti
Manager/Secretary
Borough of Darby

MEMORANDUM

CIVIL COLLABORATIVE CONCEPTS, LLC

2205 Parkview Drive
Haverford, PA 19041
(610) 496-0042

DATE: 14 September 2022
TO: Darby Borough Council
FROM: Eileen W. Mulvena, P.E.
RE: Engineer's Report Thru September 14, 2022

Current Month Activity:

Ordinary Street and Sewer Maintenance

12th-13th Sts on Main – will schedule lining at the same time as the lining being done under 2021 CDBG to benefit from quantity pricing rate.

Liquid Fuels

An ordinance must be passed by Borough Council that has the Borough adopt Londonderry Lane, Coventry Avenue, Shetland Road, and Glen Cove Road. If the Borough adopts these streets, then they can receive additional liquid fuels funds for the mileage of these streets.

Grants

CFA Local Share Grant (Statewide): The Borough's application for grant funding to replace the sanitary sewer main and street laterals on North 2nd St. was submitted to DCED on 3/15/22.

2021 CDBG: Contracts have been executed. We will schedule the pre-construction meeting this month and construction can begin shortly thereafter.

2022 CDBG: The Borough attended the project kickoff meeting hosted by the County on July 20, 2022. Note that the funding received leaves approximately a 50% shortfall. A letter requesting funds through state programs has been sent to the State Rep and the State Senator.

2018 PA Small Water and Sewer Grant – this project is also being funded by the 2021 CDBG program. Construction will likely begin in late August.

Blight Remediation Grant: The demolition of 304 Marks Ave is complete. A reimbursement request has been sent to the state to process funds to be provided to the Borough related to the demolition of 304 Marks.

Code:

129/131/133 Whitely Terrace – The rear wall continues to collapse and has reached a point where emergency action is needed. The Borough approved retaining an architect, Ellie Hays, to develop a detail for effectively knitting the repairs needed for the three units. She has inspected the properties and is currently preparing the corrective action details. I hope to have an update to share at the Council meeting.

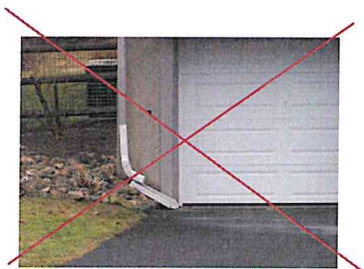
MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System): CCC with support from the Public Works Department has inspected nearly all of the storm sewer outfalls. The inspections are scheduled at least 3 days after a rain event. Recent rain events has limited opportunities to schedule the remaining inspections. They are inspected for condition as well as any presence of a discharge when none should be found.

Act 167 Stormwater Management – An updated Stormwater Management Ordinance must be in place by mid-September. The County has prepared a proposed County-wide ordinance that is currently being reviewed by PA DEP (Department of Environmental Protection) for adequacy. The Borough will then proceed with adoption in accordance with the PA Borough Code. I have provided my comments to the Borough Manager. The Solicitor will continue the process with revising the ordinance and publishing it for public comment.

Traffic Control on MacDade near Produce Junction: PennDOT's engineering consultant indicates the engineering study to support the Borough's request will be performed this fall.

901-905 Springfield Road – the owner has indicated to the Borough an intention to remediate the property. Efforts to obtain a 106 permit and a grant to demolish the structure are on hold.

Stormwater Tip:



The photo above shows a rainwater conductor discharging onto the driveway, which is an impervious surface. An impervious surface is one that does not permit water to be infiltrated. The first inch of run-off is the dirtiest; ie, first inch of rain that falls from a roof. When rainwater conductors discharge to impervious surfaces, the discharge flows directly to the stormsewer system which means the dirtiest pollutants reach the streams of the Commonwealth. We ask all residents to direct roof rainwater conductors to a lawn or flower bed so as to reduce the pollutants that reach the stormsewer.

Mayors Report

Wednesday September 21st, 2022

Mayor Darren R. Burrell

Darby Borough Moving Forward Together



PAST COMMUNITY EVENTS
AUGUST/SEPTEMBER



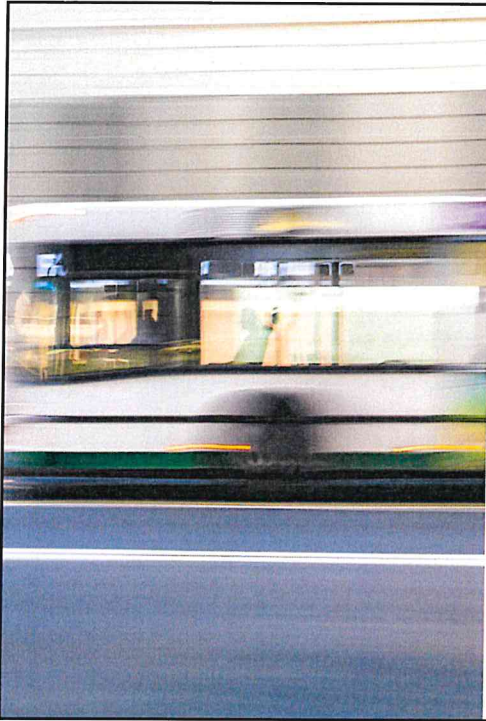
BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY
REMINDERS



TIPS FOR AVOIDING CAR
BREAK INS



WHAT COMING
NEXT.....



Back to School Safety Reminders

- Stop and Yield to Pedestrians crossing the street
- Never go around a school bus that has its lights on
- Take extra care and look out for children walking/playing
- Remind Children to never walk while texting or watching videos
- Remind Children to not wear ear buds while walking across the street
- Remind Children that it is always best to walk with friends and minimize walking alone.



Tips for Car Break ins

- Lock Car Doors
- Remove Keys from Vehicle
- Close ALL WINDOWS
- Park in well-lit areas
- Do Not leave valuables in car
- See something SAY SOMETHING



Community Events Highlights

- Penn Wood Middle School First Day of School/ Back to school night
- Parklane Elementary First Day of School
- Walnut Elementary first day of school
- Multiple Book Bag drives throughout Darby



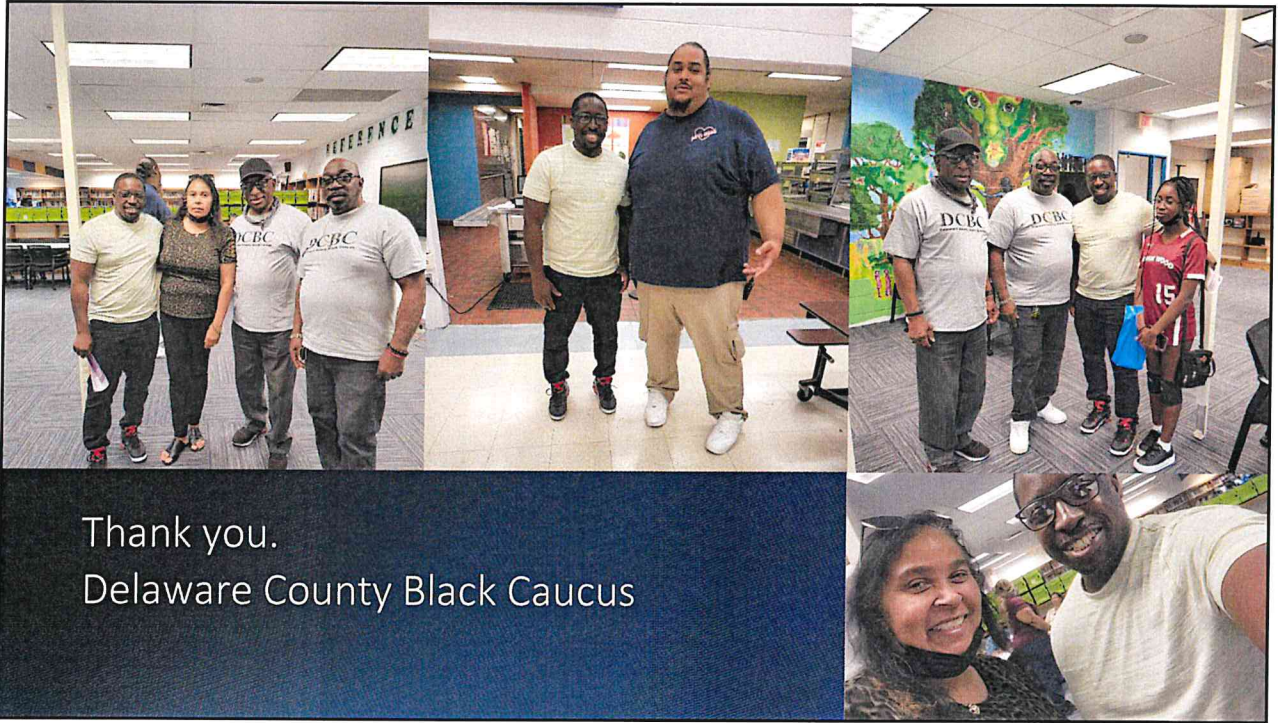
Community Bookbag Drive



THANK YOU!!!!
State Representative
Joanna McClinton

- Community Resource Fair
- Book Bag Give distribution
- Resources on Drug prevention
- Rental Rebate information
- After school programs





Thank you.
Delaware County Black Caucus



Thank you Darby Borough Police Department

Things to look forward to this Fall.....

- Getting ready for the Holiday Season
- Turkey Drive/ Food Sharing
- Halloween Trunk or Treat (Monday October 31st)
- Halloween Candy Check

August Chief's Report

Dear Mr. Mayor and Borough Council members,

During the month of August, the company responded to 71 calls for service. There is no other reportable information at this time.

*****FUTURE EVENTS*****

Annual Physicals for the membership have been scheduled for 10/6/22 @ 1900 hours @ Station 4. All ACTIVE members MUST receive a physical in order to ride the apparatus!

Be Safe and Stay Healthy!

Vincent Lanni

Fire Chief

Darby Fire Co. #1

September 21, 2022

Tax Collector's Report:

- 1- Real Estate Tax Collected for the month of August 2022:
\$19,002.76
- 2- Fire Tax Collected for the month of August 2022:
\$503.01
- 3- Library Tax Collected for the month of August 2022:
\$251.53

Total Collected in Taxes for the Month of August 2022: \$19,757.30

- 1- Sewer Fees Collected for the month of August 2022:
\$34,454.91
- 2- Trash Fees Collected for the month of August 2022:
\$5,280.00

Total Collected in Fees for the Month of August 2022: \$39,734.91

MOTION NEEDED:

Motion to transfer \$34,454.91 from the Tax Fund to the Sewer Fund. JP LP
17-0

Tax Collector's Monthly Report to Taxing Districts

For the month of

August 2022

Darby Borough

REAL ESTATE INTERIM PER CAPITA OTHER

A: COLLECTIONS		REAL ESTATE	INTERIM	PER CAPITA	OTHER
1: Balance Collectable - Beginning of Month	<i>Real Estate</i>	1,028,113.35	27,214.88	13,607.29	
2A: Additions: During the Month *					
2B: Deductions: Credits During the Month (Line 17)			0.02	-0.02	
3: Total Collectable		1,028,113.35	27,214.86	13,607.31	
4: Less Face Collections for the Month		17,355.24	459.39	229.71	
5: Less Deletions from the List *					
6: Less: Exonerations *					
7: Less: Liens/ Non-Lienable Installments *					
8: Balance Collectable - End of Month		1,010,758.11	26,755.47	13,377.60	
B: RECONCILIATION OF CASH COLLECTED					
9: Face Amount of Collections - must agree with line 4		17,355.24	459.39	229.71	
10: Plus: Penalties		1,647.52	43.62	21.82	
11: Less: Discounts					
12: Total Cash Collected per Column		19,002.76	503.01	251.53	
13: Total Cash Collected - (12A+12B+12C+12D)					19,757.30

* Attach any supporting Documentation Required by your Taxing District

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For the month of

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A: COLLECTIONS	REAL ESTATE	INTERIM	PER CAPITA	OTHER
	OTHER	OTHER	OTHER	OTHER
1. Balance Collectable- Beginning of Month	513,148.69	277,440.00		
2A: Additions: During the Month *				
2B: Deductions: Credits During the Month (Line 17)	4,304.06			
3: Total Collectable	508,844.63	277,440.00		
4: Less Face Collections for the Month	31,384.48	4,800.00		
5: Less Deletions from the List *				
6: Less: Exonerations *				
7: Less: Liens/ Non-Lienable Installments *				
8: Balance Collectable - End of Month	477,460.15	272,640.00		
B: RECONCILIATION OF CASH COLLECTED				
9: Face Amount of Collections - must agree with line 4	31,384.48	4,800.00		
10: Plus: Penalties	3,070.43	480.00		
11: Less: Discounts				
12: Total Cash Collected per Column	34,454.91	5,280.00		
13: Total Cash Collected - (12A+12B+12C+12D)				39,734.91

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