

NARBERTH BOROUGH

BOROUGH COUNCIL

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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A public hearing was held before the Narberth Borough Council, in Narberth Borough, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, at the Narberth Borough Municipal Building, 100 Conway Avenue, Narberth, Pennsylvania, on Monday, April 11, 2016, commencing at 8:00 p.m., for the Borough Council caucus meeting.

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

AARON MUDERICK, President
GIGI TEVLIN-MOFFAT, Vice-president
ROBERT WEGBREIT
BARBARA FORTNER

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COUNSEL APPEARED AS FOLLOWS:

JOHN WALKO, ESQUIRE
for the Borough

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ALSO PRESENT:

THOMAS GRADY, Mayor
SEAN METRICK, Borough Manager

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2 the actual cost is. Yerkes had stated during
3 their testimony before Council that the
4 demolition fees for the Ardmore church of
5 \$267,000 were more, quote, honest, unquote,
6 supplied to the Borough. I think there's
7 something we should consider with regard to the
8 motion to withdrawal the demo application.

9 Thank you, Council.

10 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Can I just ask
11 some questions on that?

12 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Yeah. Go
13 ahead.

14 **MR. WEGBREIT:** I don't
15 disagree with you. What I heard from Yerkes was
16 that we don't have that -- that those options,
17 they're absolute legitimate concerns by you, by
18 me, by everybody else that have them, that we
19 don't have the right, by the building code, to
20 withdraw it from that.

21 That said, I don't know if
22 you do or don't, as the Mayor, who's concerned
23 about public safety and has a lot of ability as a
24 mayor to, you know, man those things before it
25 goes on. I don't know if that's -- I mean, our

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2 solicitor is here, but I would be glad to make
3 that motion. But before I make that motion, I
4 would ask our solicitor, are we able to do that?

5 **MR. WALKO:** You would have to
6 establish that the permit was issued as a result
7 of a fraud or in error or mistake. I don't think
8 we have that set up right now. You're certainly
9 welcome to put in an additional process that
10 you're speaking about as part of the permit
11 process. And if that wasn't followed, then it
12 would have been issued in error. But since it
13 wasn't set up now, that wouldn't be a basis,
14 unless the inspector says I didn't issue this
15 permit because I didn't have this. It wouldn't
16 fit the requirements to revoke under the UCC.

17 **MR. WEGBREIT:** And under the
18 Mayor's power, is there anything if he feels it's
19 an unsafe process?

20 **MR. WALKO:** Not under the
21 UCC.

22 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Not under the
23 UCC, just as Mayor of the town. If he sees a
24 safety concern, can he take action despite the
25 UCC?

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2 **MR. WALKO:** I don't think he
3 would be able to in his power of Mayor. As a
4 resident, he could take certain actions. But I
5 don't believe that --

6 **MR. WEGBREIT:** What actions
7 would be taken?

8 **MR. WALKO:** Civil actions,
9 injunctions. Anyone can go to the court to try
10 to stop a process. I don't believe himself, as a
11 neighbor, so he doesn't have a direct impact as a
12 resident.

13 But I don't believe that the
14 Mayor's safety power, which usually applies to
15 the, you know, police, fire, emergency services
16 applies to the UCC Zoning Code.

17 But, again, if Council wanted
18 to provide the Mayor with that opportunity to
19 pass the ordinance, that ordinance would have to
20 be followed. And if it wasn't followed and that
21 permit was issued, it would have then been issued
22 in error, and that would be a reason to revoke
23 the permit.

24 **THE MAYOR:** I guess the prior
25 question is, what is the criteria of the

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2 applicant? Because anyone can say, I'm going to
3 do this job for ten dollars and then or Yerkes
4 would say, well, that wouldn't pass muster with
5 him because he didn't saw the rocks and do
6 whatever. Whereas, you see the alternative,
7 where it cost \$267,000 to do the Ardmore church.
8 There's a big gap.

9 **MR. WALKO:** Sure.

10 **THE MAYOR:** And Borough also
11 realize on those fees, you know, with regard
12 to --

13 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Could I make
14 one point, Tom, because maybe I misunderstood
15 what the engineer was saying? It was my
16 impression he said that that was a more correct
17 cost. What was his language?

18 **THE MAYOR:** Honest.

19 **THE CHAIRMAN:** A more honest
20 cost. I think he was making the point that that
21 developer was highballing it in terms of the
22 actual cost of demolition, but not talking about
23 the money they would be recouping as a way of
24 making it seem like a big expensive project
25 rather than, I think, what he explained would be

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2 the net cost, you know, the cost of demolition
3 minus what you would be able to sell the
4 materials for, being a legitimate way to put your
5 price on the permit application. Like, I don't
6 know that that developer in Ardmore would have
7 written that highball number.

8 Did anyone else understand it
9 that way?

10 **MS. TEVLIIN-MOFFAT:** That's
11 the way I understood it.

12 **MR. WEGBREIT:** I heard
13 duplicity here. Because on one hand, you said,
14 you know, it could cost 100,000 expense to do it,
15 but you could get 50,000 back in some materials.
16 On the other hand, it could cost 100,000, and it
17 would be an additional 50,000 to haul it, you
18 wouldn't have to put that 50,000 to haul it.

19 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Right.
20 Legally you don't have to put the haul in there.

21 **MR. WEGBREIT:** So on one
22 hand, you're using; one hand, you're not using
23 it, so...

24 **THE MAYOR:** I guess the
25 question is, if someone comes in for a demo

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2 application, we don't have anything in place that
3 would show the criteria for the applicant or the
4 actual cost such as providing an invoice or
5 costs, this is what it's going to cost, and then
6 you base the permit on that.

7 **MR. WALKO:** I'm not familiar
8 with any -- except for basing the value of the
9 permit to be issued.

10 **THE CHAIRMAN:** He said he had
11 his tables that he looks, you know, if you say
12 you're doing a kitchen or whatever.

13 **MR. WALKO:** Right. That
14 someone would look at the viability of what that
15 person proposes, because a permit is the approval
16 of a plan, and you have to stick to the plan.
17 And if you don't stick to the plan because you
18 run short of funds or you don't have the manpower
19 to meet that plan, then you're not going to be
20 able to proceed, and you're not going to pass
21 your inspection.

22 Just like a land development
23 plan. If you come forward and say, here's what I
24 want to build, Council can say, okay, that looks
25 good to me, and then they're ensuring that it's

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2 built in that way, but you can't make sure that
3 that developer has the capabilities of building
4 this project before you approve the plan. Once
5 it's being built, you want to be sure it's done
6 right.

7 **THE CHAIRMAN:** That's where
8 Yerkes comes in and shows up on the day that
9 they're waiting to be done, and says, no, I don't
10 like what I see.

11 **MR. WALKO:** No. And I know
12 that Mr. Metrick had mentioned before that the
13 actual demolition permit is something that we --
14 the initial permit was something that we were
15 looking to retool, because it actually doesn't
16 include many specifics that probably could be on
17 there, which is why oftentimes that permit is
18 denied the first time.

19 Is that correct, Mr. Metrick?

20 **MR. METRICK:** That's correct.

21 **MR. WALKO:** So there are
22 questions and things that could be presented on
23 the demolition permit if Council wants that
24 information drawn out, but I don't know if it was
25 challenged, if there would be a legal basis to

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2 deny a permit based upon some of those requests,
3 if what they meet in the UCC is met.

4 So there are steps that could
5 be taken if this is something that Council wants
6 to change in the future for any other applicant.
7 But in this situation, unfortunately, I don't see
8 a basis that we can go back once the permit has
9 been issued.

10 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you.
11 I'll go to public comment. I'll start over here.

12 **REPRESENTATIVE:** I'm from
13 Senator Leach's office. So if you have any sort
14 issues, feel free to come to me.

15 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you.
16 Ms. Kurtz, I know you just sat down.

17 **MS. KURTZ:** I'm Katherine
18 Kurtz, 531 Dudley Avenue.

19 I come to ask the Council to
20 consider the library terrace project. Since the
21 costs have skyrocketed so high, it seems to me we
22 have a chance to re-look at it and use a way of
23 planning a public space that I'm sure a lot of
24 architects and planners in this group know about.
25 We do something very simple first; maybe you have

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2 a paved terrace and a couple of benches, and then
3 as people use it, you get information about how
4 they use it, how they would like to use it, what
5 would really be a design by participation rather
6 than plunking down a project without that kind of
7 user input. So I request that you do that.

8 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you.

9 Mr. Brawer.

10 **MR. BRAWER:** No.

11 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Ms. DuBois.

12 **MS. DuBOIS:** No.

13 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Mr. Winston.

14 **MR. WINSTON:** Yeah. Ira

15 Winston, 317 Merion Avenue.

16 I was curious about when you
17 do a project like the library terrace or another,
18 you know, fairly large capital project in the
19 Borough, what you do about getting cost estimates
20 after you've completed the design?

21 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Mr. Metrick
22 might be able to address the bidding process.

23 **MR. WINSTON:** This would be
24 before bidding.

25 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Pre-bid?

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2 **MR. WINSTON:** Right. After
3 the drawings are done, do you have a cost
4 estimate?

5 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Mr. Brawer,
6 could you speak to that? You were the architect
7 on this project.

8 **MR. BRAWER:** Well, there was,
9 in fact, some cost estimates done by my office,
10 which we presented and reviewed, and then the
11 decision was made. There was actually a fairly
12 long-involved history of the project that went
13 through at least one redesign, because there were
14 initial things that we were asked to put into the
15 design. And when we priced those out, it was
16 decided to simplify it. To bring the cost down,
17 that was done. We did another estimate, and then
18 it was decided to proceed, and we took it out to
19 bid.

20 **MR. WINSTON:** But do you know
21 what that cost estimate was?

22 **MR. BRAWER:** I can't give you
23 numbers off the top of my head. I wasn't really
24 prepared to talk about it tonight.

25 **MR. WINSTON:** Something

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2 that's sometimes done, maybe not projects of this
3 small size, is to get a construction firm to also
4 give an estimate. That way you compare the
5 professional estimate, which is done based on
6 take off about how much material you're going to
7 use, rather than a construction company going out
8 and looking at the job as though they were going
9 to bid it themselves and actually getting prices
10 from subcontractors. And often, those two prices
11 are somewhat different, and what you do is you
12 reconcile the two estimates to come up with a
13 reasonable estimate. Because you're making
14 decisions about what you're going to do here
15 based on the cost of a project. And then if you
16 go out to bid and you come back with estimates
17 that now look like they're three hundred or
18 500,000, it's kind of a shame to have gone that
19 far in the process without actually having really
20 tested the price.

21 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Okay. Thank
22 you.

23 **MR. WINSTON:** Sure.

24 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Dan, do you
25 have anything?

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2 **MR. McCARTY:** No.

3 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Okay. That
4 will conclude public comment.

5 I do have a President's
6 comment. So jumping back to No. 3, I did review
7 the committee assignments. And I have a letter
8 here, though, that I will hand over to
9 Mr. Metrick with the new committee assignments.

10 But to summarize, Councilor
11 Fortner will assume Councilor Diaz's role as
12 chair of Property Committee. She will serve on
13 Public Safety as a member of that committee.
14 Marlene Richmond will move up to vice chair of
15 Property. Councilor Tevlin-Moffat will remain in
16 the chair --

17 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Public
18 Safety.

19 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Public Safety,
20 I'm sorry. And Ms. Fortner will also fill
21 Mr. Diaz's role on Economic Development as vice
22 chair.

23 In addition, I'm going to
24 create a new ad hoc committee, which I will call
25 Montgomery Avenue Corridor Ad Hoc Committee.

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2 minutes of the February 3rd caucus and
3 February 8th business meetings of Borough
4 Council, all in favor?

5 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Aye.

6 **MS. FORTNER:** Aye.

7 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Aye.

8 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Aye.

9 Motion to adopt the minutes
10 of March 14.

11 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** I'll move
12 to approve the minutes of March 14th.

13 **MS. FORTNER:** Second.

14 **MR. WEGBREIT:** I'll second.

15 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Being she's
16 new on Council, okay. Let's discuss those
17 minutes.

18 **MR. WEGBREIT:** I was just
19 eyeballing them, and I read the transcript of the
20 court reporter, and I just saw just a couple
21 minor things. I thought I wonder if anybody at
22 the office read through them. What was the line
23 I saw something about --

24 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Rich, the
25 name.

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2 issue, we could make a motion to adopt the
3 minutes with that specific change that what was
4 noted.

5 **MR. WEGBREIT:** That's fine.

6 **THE CHAIRMAN:** To what extent
7 do you think that transcription errors like that,
8 if they were enacted as the official minutes,
9 could later play a role?

10 **MR. WALKO:** As long as it
11 isn't something that could be misconstrued to
12 have a vital impact about what was needed to be
13 done or actually proved later, it would not be a
14 problem.

15 **MR. WEGBREIT:** I'm worried
16 it's a product of the Borough where we can make
17 it as quality as we can. It's a time expensive
18 cost.

19 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Indeed.
20 I agree.

21 **THE CHAIRMAN:** It's worth
22 looking at, how we are doing it and what we're
23 doing, and the office is looking at a lot of
24 processes, and, you know...

25 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Are most

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2 boroughs recording their, you know, voice
3 recording or video recording their meetings?

4 **MR. WALKO:** Yes.

5 **MR. WEGBREIT:** And are they
6 holding on to -- how long do they hold on to the
7 recordings?

8 **MR. WALKO:** I'm not sure how
9 long they hold on to the recordings. They don't
10 need to after the official minutes are approved.
11 That's really what matters. But, again, there
12 would be a record retention policy that could be
13 set up for those.

14 So I'm unaware of, you know,
15 the actual recordings. I don't see those, like,
16 the next time they come up again, when the
17 minutes are inspected on the written form, they
18 can summarize more accurately and precisely the
19 business items in the meeting.

20 **THE CHAIRMAN:** The minutes
21 themselves are saved in perpetuity?

22 **MR. WALKO:** Yes.

23 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Okay. Maybe
24 that's a topic for Finance and Administration.

25 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Yes.

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discussion?

(No response.)

THE CHAIRMAN: All in favor
of approving the schedule of bills?

MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT: Aye.

MS. FORTNER: Aye.

MR. WEGBREIT: Aye.

THE CHAIRMAN: Aye.

Unanimous. The bills will be
paid.

We do have a motion to
approve a Narberth Police Department Employee
Separation Agreement. I know that these
documents come to everybody a little late in the
game. Is there a need for a discussion where we
should go into executive session on this?

MR. WEGBREIT: I'm just
wondering how much we have -- to do at the end of
the meeting or right now?

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, we can
move it around in this meeting, we can move it to
last, we can take an executive session.

MR. WEGBREIT: Yeah. Because
I think we are moving pretty quickly.

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2 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Yes.

3 Thank you.

4 **THE CHAIRMAN:** We'll bump it
5 down.

6 Resolution 2016-12, Finance
7 and Administration.

8 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** 16-12.

9 Members of the Finance and Administration
10 Committee of Narberth Borough Council present the
11 following resolution for vote and approval: To
12 endorse the articles of agreement of the
13 Montgomery County Consortium of Communities
14 authorizing the execution of said agreement and
15 participation in the consortium affairs.

16 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Second.

17 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you.

18 Mr. Metrick, maybe you could
19 give us some background.

20 **MR. METRICK:** Sure. The
21 Montgomery County Consortium of Communities is
22 roughly 30 to 35 Montgomery County
23 community-member organization where it meets
24 monthly. It's a networking opportunity for
25 municipal management to get together and discuss

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2 issues that affect more than one place. It's
3 also to discuss -- it's also a place for
4 professional development, professional ideas. It
5 is also an opportunity for the Borough to
6 participate in collective bidding, collective
7 procurement, which could save us dollars in the
8 long run. It's also an on-line resource for
9 human resource data to share back and forth
10 between municipalities. It's something that
11 comes highly recommended from my colleagues.

12 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Any discussion
13 amongst Council?

14 **MR. WEGBREIT:** I got to look
15 through it on line, and it looks like great.
16 Thank you for finding it.

17 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you.
18 The annual expense to the Borough is?

19 **MR. METRICK:** The first year
20 is \$250.

21 **THE CHAIRMAN:** No other
22 discussion. All in favor?

23 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Aye.

24 **MS. FORTNER:** Aye.

25 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Aye.

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2 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Aye.

3 Unanimous.

4 My understanding is that
5 Resolution F, 2016-13, is not yet ready.

6 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** That is
7 correct.

8 **THE CHAIRMAN:** That will move
9 to a future meeting.

10 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Thank
11 you.

12 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Resolution
13 2016-14, regarding an easement.

14 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Did you get
15 any more information?

16 **MR. METRICK:** I did. And I
17 included a copy of the e-mail in each one of your
18 packets from Bob Duncan, assistant township
19 manager, Lower Merion Township. He highlighted
20 four reasons that, from his understanding, a
21 situation working with a consultant, why a signal
22 design that would require the easement is desired
23 by the Township as a preferred option to the
24 option that does not have or does not require an
25 easement.

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2 **THE CHAIRMAN:** If I could
3 summarize it for the public. If we offered an
4 easement, the ground-mounted control unit would
5 be further off the edge of road, easier to
6 access, easier to maintain. It would eliminate
7 the need for a crosswalk that's on an angle. It
8 would allow for an ADA ramp that will not require
9 an ADA waiver, and it will not create a situation
10 where for a short length of sidewalk two to three
11 feet. The walkable area of the sidewalk goes
12 from four feet wide to three feet wide. So I
13 said all that in the negative. But the idea
14 being that if we grant this easement, it will be
15 a cleaner installation that seems to be around
16 here.

17 Any discussion on it?

18 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Should I offer
19 the resolution first?

20 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Yes. Offer
21 the resolution first. Go ahead.

22 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Resolution
23 endorsed to grant an easement to Lower Merion
24 Township, putting installation for traffic signal
25 equipment at East Wynnewood Road and North

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Wynnewood Avenue.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is there a second?

MR. WALKO: I have a question. Is this the time to discuss?

MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT: We need a second to discuss it.

THE CHAIRMAN: Ms. Fortner seconds.

MR. WALKO: There hasn't been an easement agreement that's been presented to Borough Council yet; correct?

THE CHAIRMAN: Correct.

MR. WALKO: So this would be more of entertaining of the option of offering an easement that I would hope to be to the satisfaction of the Borough solicitor to get an opportunity to look at it.

THE CHAIRMAN: I think they're looking to hear that we are interested before they spend the time to prepare all of the documents.

MR. WALKO: So this isn't granting the easement?

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2 **MR. WEGBREIT:** We talked real
3 briefly about this on Wednesday. One element, if
4 we do go forward on this, is to make sure that if
5 we do grant the easement, it doesn't harm us in
6 any way in either capturing that easement if
7 there would be a roundabout option at some point
8 in time.

9 **MR. WALKO:** So this is
10 something that the motion should be to endorse
11 the outdoor easement agreement to the
12 satisfaction of Borough solicitor.

13 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Would you like
14 to restate the motion?

15 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Yeah. Just
16 what he said.

17 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Endorsing
18 entering into discussions with Lower Merion
19 Township for the granting of an easement for the
20 installation of a traffic signal at East
21 Wynnewood Road and North Wynnewood Avenue.
22 That's the motion on the table. Is there any
23 further discussion on that motion?

24 **MS. FORTNER:** I think that
25 answers the question I had, which was, didn't we

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2 have a question about how would that affect us?

3 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Yes. Sending
4 a message, we'd like to see some documents and
5 work it out between lawyers.

6 **MR. WEGBREIT:** There's two
7 parts. There's the writing and the wording to
8 protect us for future options. There's a hundred
9 percent agreement. The question is, assuming
10 that's the case, that that could be worked out,
11 do people want to, you know, to go forward
12 assuming that part is the case? And I know Bob
13 was very much opposed to it. I differ, but
14 that's --

15 **MR. WALKO:** Whatever they
16 present us with, I'll have discussions with
17 Council regarding the details of what Council is
18 looking for to make sure that is in there to
19 protect, you know, our interests and what we'd
20 like to see happen before we actually enter into
21 the easement agreement.

22 **THE MAYOR:** I have a
23 question. As you're developing this easement, I
24 know we have additional monies that were to be
25 used toward the public. I mean, is there any way

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2 we could actually look at it in the context of
3 doing over and above, like, make it safer?

4 I mean, there's things you
5 could do to actually make it better than just the
6 standard crosswalk or standard item. Whereas,
7 you could use additional monies for that and say,
8 hey, this is what we're going to use, where it
9 makes it better and look at the cost, as opposed
10 to getting an off-the-shelf --

11 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Right.
12 Some stripes and good luck, right.

13 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Bob, do you
14 have thoughts?

15 **MR. WEGBREIT:** The only thing
16 that would be significant, that I don't think
17 they looked at or they looked at but didn't want
18 to spend the money, would be, you know, red light
19 ahead or crosswalk ahead, which is another
20 electronic sign, and, you know, from both ends of
21 it, them probably coming up the hill. And so one
22 of the things we all don't like about this light
23 is one more electronic sign entering, you know,
24 otherwise, a very walkable, peaceful community.
25 So we could ask them, we could find the money.

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2 The question is really, you know, the aesthetic,
3 does that add safety versus does that create more
4 of an atmosphere that is pro car and --

5 **THE MAYOR:** Well, what about
6 those lights where they're actually in the
7 crosswalk and light up on Lancaster Avenue? You
8 may want to have something like that, which may
9 cost more money, but would make it safer for
10 people to cross. I don't know.

11 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** I think
12 that's part of the conversation we want to have.
13 And also, I'd like to just reiterate my point
14 that I want it sooner rather than later on that
15 inception.

16 **THE CHAIRMAN:** You would like
17 to go with it so that it could be studied so that
18 we could come back and make a case for a
19 different solution.

20 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** That's
21 right. Thank you.

22 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Tom, the only
23 thing that comes to mind for me is that they
24 already submitted a plan. And their plan was
25 submitted over ours. So probably they wouldn't

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2 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Aye.

3 None opposed.

4 Finance and Administration to
5 revise the meeting schedule.

6 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Council
7 members, Resolution 2016-15. Members of the
8 Finance and Administration Committee of Narberth
9 Borough Council present the following resolution
10 to vote and approval: Adopt a revised meeting
11 schedule for Borough Council and amend the
12 Narberth Borough Council Manual of Rules and
13 Procedures by changing the days of the regular
14 meetings of Council from the second Monday of the
15 month to the third Monday of every month,
16 effective May 2016 through December of 2016, and
17 each meeting shall begin at 7:30 p.m., prevailing
18 time.

19 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Is there a
20 second?

21 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Second.

22 **THE CHAIRMAN:** We can discuss
23 and amend.

24 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Yes. So
25 the caucus meeting would be the same at 7:30 on

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2 the first Wednesday. So we have time between to
3 get --

4 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Okay.

5 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Are you okay?

6 **MS. FORTNER:** They're both at
7 7:30?

8 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Yes.
9 They're both at 7:30.

10 **THE CHAIRMAN:** All in favor?

11 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Aye.

12 **MS. FORTNER:** Aye.

13 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Aye.

14 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Aye.

15 That would mean that the May
16 meeting of Council will be on the third Monday.

17 Is that right?

18 **MR. METRICK:** Sure.

19 **MR. WALKO:** Notice would have
20 to be reflected if we advertised 8:00 o'clock.

21 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you.

22 Mr. Manager, do you have a
23 report?

24 **MR. METRICK:** I do not have a
25 report this month, but we are going to be

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2 revising the way in which the manager reports to
3 Council in accordance with the discussion we had
4 with the Finance Committee and in the first
5 quarter review that was held.

6 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Mr. Solicitor,
7 do you have a report?

8 **MR. WALKO:** Just briefly.
9 Just a reminder that the 28th of this month we
10 have the Form-based Zoning and the floodplain
11 hearings scheduled. So that would be before the
12 May meetings, during my work last month, getting
13 those Ordinances procedurally ready to have those
14 hearings.

15 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you. Is
16 that all?

17 **MR. WALKO:** Yes.

18 **THE CHAIRMAN:** For those of
19 you who could peek into the files and the
20 folders, do we have those various reports here?

21 Do you have the police
22 report, Mayor Grady?

23 **THE MAYOR:** Yes. I'll submit
24 the police report.

25 **THE CHAIRMAN:** I have the

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2 Anything else?

3 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Who's vice
4 chair of the Planning Commission?

5 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Who is the
6 vice chair?

7 **MR. BRAWER:** Now it's Todd
8 Bressi, as of last week.

9 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Did we
10 announce that we got the plans in for the
11 subdivision at Conway?

12 **MR. METRICK:** I distributed
13 to the Narberth Planning Commission and the
14 Building Zoning Committee of Council.

15 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Will they be
16 addressing it at their Planning Commission
17 meeting?

18 **MR. METRICK:** On May 2nd.

19 **MR. WEGBREIT:** So how do we
20 make sure that the public knows that that
21 particular project is up for discussion there?

22 **MR. METRICK:** Publish the
23 agenda for the meeting ahead of time.

24 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Okay. At
25 least that item, and then whatever else they

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2 choose to add. I mean, it's something that the
3 neighbors are going to be --

4 **THE CHAIRMAN:** What's the
5 address?

6 **MS. FORTNER:** 424 Conway.

7 **THE CHAIRMAN:** 424?

8 **MS. FORTNER:** 424.

9 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Do you know
10 the building?

11 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Yes.

12 **MR. WEGBREIT:** Used to be a
13 summer camp there.

14 **MS. FORTNER:** I'm pretty sure
15 I got that number right. I walk past the sign
16 often enough, so I'm pretty sure.

17 **MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT:** Ed, do
18 you have anything?

19 **MR. RIDGWAY:** I could give
20 you an update on the events of the next month.

21 **THE CHAIRMAN:** That would be
22 great.

23 **MR. RIDGWAY:** Tomorrow, the
24 art museum will be here to install the inside out
25 project. They'll be here 11:00 o'clock a.m.,

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2 tomorrow morning, at Station Circle. Some
3 representatives of the museum will be here as
4 well as the company that actually does the
5 installation. It will be a short photo op. So
6 if any members of the Borough can be there and
7 any members of Borough Council can be there to
8 welcome the members of the representatives from
9 the museum.

10 Later this month we have Narb
11 Birthday and the Narberth Run. The run is on the
12 23rd at 9:00 o'clock in the morning, and Narb
13 Birth is 12:00 to 4:00 on the 30th, with the rain
14 date on, I guess, the next day, May 1st.

15 The first Friday in May is
16 really the only first Friday that we try to make
17 a big celebration out of, and we will be doing it
18 this year, we always have a Narb art month in
19 May. So that always launches on the first Friday
20 in May.

21 What that means is the store
22 fronts in Narberth will all have original art
23 based on a certain theme. This year the theme is
24 nighttime. So we encourage people on first
25 Friday to walk around and see the different

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2 storefronts. This year, in addition to the
3 storefronts with art, there will also be, you
4 know, eleven sites in the Borough that have art
5 from the art museum. Six of them are within a
6 block of that downtown area. So it will be very
7 easy for people to see them. We're going to
8 prepare a checklist so that people can walk
9 around and see the different things, both art
10 that's permanently in Narberth and the
11 storefronts and the museum art.

12 The following week is the
13 Spring Sidewalk Festival on the 12th to the 14th,
14 followed by music fest on the 15th. And at that
15 music and arts fest, we're going to continue the
16 attention we pay to the new art installation and
17 encourage people to do the same thing as on first
18 Friday to see the art that's in the downtown
19 area. And that's it through May.

20 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Thank you very
21 much. Is there any old business?

22 (No response.)

23 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Any new
24 business?

25 (No response.)

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(No response.)

THE CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT: Aye.

MS. FORTNER: Aye.

THE CHAIRMAN: Aye.

Any opposed?

MR. WEGBREIT: Nay.

THE CHAIRMAN: Three in favor, one opposed. The motion passes.

Is there any further business before Council?

(No response.)

THE CHAIRMAN: I'll take a motion for adjournment.

MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT: I so move.

MR. WEGBREIT: Second.

THE CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

MS. TEVLIN-MOFFAT: Aye.

MS. FORTNER: Aye.

MR. WEGBREIT: Aye.

THE CHAIRMAN: Aye.

All right. The meeting is adjourned.

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Thank you.

(At 9:04 p.m., proceedings
were concluded.)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I hereby certify that the proceedings and evidence are contained fully and accurately in the notes taken by me in the above cause and that this is a correct transcript of the same.

Tim Kurek

Official Court Reporter

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