Judge Nancy Gill swore in Mayor Darren Hodorovich at 7 pm.

Mayor Hodorovich called the meeting of the Atglen Borough Council to order on Monday, January 6, 2020 at 7:01 pm in the Borough Hall. The following members were present.

   Charles H. Palmer Jr.    Joshua Glick
   Melissa McClay         Brian Hahn
   Mayor Darren Hodorovich

SWEARING IN OF NEW COUNCIL

Judge Gill swore in Brian Hahn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL BY MAYOR

Mayor Hodorovich asked Father Sean O’Neill to do the invocation. At the conclusion of the invocation Mayor Hodorovich led the pledge of allegiance and took roll call.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

The Mayor asked for nominations for President. Mr. Hahn nominated Charles H. Palmer Jr. Even though a second was not needed, Ms. McClay seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Mayor Hodorovich called for a vote. The vote was unanimous to elect Charles H. Palmer Jr. as President.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

The Mayor asked for nominations for Vice President. Ms. McClay nominated Brian Hahn. Mr. Palmer nominated Joshua Glick. There were no other nominations. Mayor Hodorovich called for a roll call vote for Brian Hahn for Vice President. The vote was as follows: Yes – McClay. No – Palmer, Glick, Hahn. Mayor Hodorovich called for a roll call vote for Joshua Glick for Vice President. The vote was as follows: Yes – Palmer, Glick, Hahn, McClay. The vote was unanimous to elect Joshua Glick as Vice President.

President Palmer presided over the rest of the meeting.

POLICE REPORT – Officer Moore read aloud the December police activity report.
DR. MICHELE ORNER, SUPERINTENDENT, OCTORARA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. Orner provided an update about the school district. Topics discussed were the new community engagement plan, enrollment study, and Atglen Community Day.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Emily Reid spoke about the positive experience she recently had with the Christiana Police Department.

COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

Annual Appointments—A motion was made by Hahn/Glick to approve annual appointments as follows. All members were in agreement.

- Engineers –Becker Engineering and Hanover Engineering
- Solicitor – Helen Esbenshade, Lamb McErlane PC
- Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor – Amanda Sundquist, Unruh Turner Burke & Frees
- Building Code Official, Building Inspector, Code Officer & Zoning Officer – Anthony Campbell, Campbell Code Services
- Emergency Management Coordinator – Geoffrey Burkhart
- Fire Marshal – Erik Lofgren
- Vacancy Board Chair – Carol McGrath
- Bank Depository, All Funds – Fulton Bank

Authorize the Council President, Council Vice President, and Borough Manager as Check Signers on the Fulton Bank Accounts and Require All Borough Checks, Exception Payroll, to have Two (2) Original Signatures – A motion to approve was made by McClay/Hahn. All members were in agreement.

Appointment of Charles H. Palmer Jr. as Representative, Brian Hahn as the First Alternate Representative, and Caren Andrews as the Second Alternate Representative to the Western Chester County Council of Governments – Motion to approve made by Glick/McClay. All members were in agreement.

Appointment of Caren Andrews as the Board Representative and Anthony Campbell as the Hearing Panel Representative to the Western Chester County Regional UCC Appeals Board – Motion to approve made by Hahn/McClay. All members were in agreement.

Planning Commission Appointments, Resolution # 607-20 – Motion to approve made by Glick/Hahn. This resolution calls for the reappointment of Tricia Ranck, term expiration date December 31, 2023 and Brian Hahn, term expiration date December 31, 2023. All members were in agreement.
Zoning Hearing Board Appointment, Resolution # 608-20 - Motion to approve made by McClay/Hahn. This resolution calls for the reappointment of Nancy Pelet, term expiration date February 1, 2023. All members were in agreement.

Designation of Emergency Providers, Resolution # 609-20 – Motion to approve made by Hahn/Glick. All members were in agreement.

Christiania Borough Police Officers Providing Police Service to Atglen Borough, Resolution # 610-20 – Motion to approve made by Hahn/McClay. All members were in agreement.

December 2, 2019 Council Minutes, December Treasurer’s Report, Bills of Approval, Department and Advisory Reports – Motion to approve made by Palmer/Glick. All members were in agreement.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS

Council Member Vacancy – Ms. Andrews said the vacancy occurred today. Council has 30 days to fill. George Stewart submitted a letter of interest. There was a discussion about appointing this evening or advertising the position. It was agreed to advertise on social media.

Council Member Appointment to the Master Parks Study Committee – Ms. Andrews said there is an open slot for a Council member to sit on the Master Parks Study Committee. Mayor Hodorovich sits on the Committee. Council said to move this topic to the February agenda when the new Council member is appointed.

Park & Recreation Commission Vacancy – Ms. Andrews said the position was advertised. Peggy Kellar and George Stewart submitted a letter of interest. Mr. Stewart said he wanted to encourage the community to get involved and is removing his name. Ms. Kellar introduced herself and answered questions. A motion was made by Hahn/Glick to appoint Peggy Kellar to the Park and Recreation Commission. All members were in agreement.

AJ Blosenski Trash and Recycling Collection, Holiday Schedule Request – AJ Blosenski submitted a request to alter some of the trash collections days due to Monday holidays. Council said no. Trash pickup will remain on Wednesdays.

No Hunting Ordinance # 153, Enacted April 3, 1972 – Ms. Andrews said the PA Game Commission Officer stopped by Borough Hall and discussed with her the No Hunting Ordinance. He said it is invalid. She forwarded this issue to the Borough Solicitor. The Solicitor recommends the ordinance be repealed. Council asked Ms. Andrews to proceed with preparing the legislation.

Retired Telephones – The new phones are operational in Borough Hall. We have a few phones to donate or sell. Council said to proceed.
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION, UPDATE

Emily Reid said the last two months the Commission did not meet due to attendance issues. Twenty houses registered for the Winter Wonderland Holiday Lighting and Decoration contest winners. The Commission selected three winners.

MANAGER’S COMMENTS

Ms. Andrews said the Solicitor has completed her review of the pension ordinance. She expects the ordinance to be ready for Council consideration at the February meeting. Ms. Andrews said we are entering the CRP and CDBG grant application season. Ms. Andrews read aloud her report and responded to questions.

Emily Reid asked if fencing is planned for the Penningtonville Meadow Pump Station. Ms. Andrews said yes.

VISITORS COMMENTS

George Stewart spoke about repealing the No Hunting Ordinance.

JUNIOR COUNCILPERSON’S COMMENTS

Sydney Burkhardt said the student body received Chromebooks; and, they were repaired over Winter break. The learning lab offers peer tutoring. The Winter sports have begun.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

Mayor Hodorovich thanked everyone. He is looking forward to serving. Mayor Hodorovich discussed his priority projects.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Palmer said he received a plaque from the Western Chester County Council of Governments for the Borough’s perfect attendance at the meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Palmer/Hahn. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]
Caren D. Andrews
Borough Manager/Secretary