

MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 17, 2007
7:00 p.m.

In compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:4, Open Public Meetings Law, notice was given to two newspapers and posted, that a council meeting of the Mayor and Council was scheduled for Thursday, May 17, 2007 at 7:00 P.M. The Municipal Clerk took the roll call and showed that all were present with the exception of Councilman Wilson, and Councilwoman Bonamassa. The Engineer Mr. Bach was present and also Police Chief Doyle.

A motion was made by Councilman D'Amico to open this portion of the meeting to the public. Councilman Whalen seconded. All Council voting aye.

No one from the public spoke.

Motion made by Councilman Whalen to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilwoman Martz, with all Council voting aye.

Old Business:

There was no old business.

New Business:

Motion made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to approve the Vendor License Application from Popsy Pop driver Victor Bogdan. All voted aye conditioned upon the applicant signing the application.

Also agreed by Council for approval was the renewal of the Vendor License for the Mr. Softee Driver conditioned upon the applicant being the same person as in 2006.

Motion made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to approve Resolution 2007:95 Chapter 159 for the NJ Department of Transportation Grant in the amount of \$152,000, for Charles Avenue. All Council voted aye.

Motion made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to approve Resolution 2007:96 to allow the cancellation of 5 checks totaling \$9.00 which are over 6 months old from the Court Office. All Council voted aye.

Motion made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2007:97 Chapter 159 for the NJ Click It or Ticket Grant in the amount of \$4,000. All Council voted aye.

Motion made by Councilwoman Martz, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Resolution 2007:98 Chapter 159 for NJ Clean Communities Grant in the amount of \$5,460.20. All Council voted aye.

Motion made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2007:99 to amend the 2007 Salary Ordinance to include the Fire Chief's salary of \$2,159.72 and the OEM Coordinator's salary of \$3,396.79. All Council voted aye.

A Proclamation was read to Support NJ Childhood Drinking Coalition to Prevent Underage Drinking.

Motion made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Resolution 2007:100A accepting the resignation of SLEO Officer Phillip Marino. All Council voted aye. Officer Marino is to work full time for Pine Hill Borough.

Motion made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman D'Amico to adopt Resolution 2007:100 Appointment of Kevin J. Lally as Police Clerk. All Council voted aye.

Motion made by Councilman DePrince, seconded Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2007:101 to reduce the Magnolia School Budget for 2007-2008 by \$120,350. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Motion made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman DePrince to approve the meeting minutes for May 02, 2007. All Council voted aye.

Motion made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman D'Amico to approve the payment of bills as submitted by the Treasurer. All Council voted aye by roll all vote.

Motion made by Councilwoman Martz, seconded by Councilman DePrince to go into Executive Session. All Council voted aye.

Motion made by Councilman Martz, seconded by Councilman D'Amico to come out of Executive Session. All Council voted aye.

Roundtable Discussion:

Councilman Whalen stated the Tax Sale for 2006 open taxes is set for June 28. The 2006 Audit has been completed.

The Mayor stated the developer for the Arby's site has given 45 days notice to the tenants to vacate the site. She also stated a letter of support of the development would be required to NJ Department of Transportation in order to assist the developer to have access to the White Horse Pike. She commented the White Horse Pike Coalition received a grant for \$56,000. to assist in another study of the White Horse Pike corridor. The Miss Magnolia Pageant currently has seven contestants. NJ American Water Company has donated the \$1,500. to fund the Ferko String Band again for the fireworks event.

The Engineer Mr. Bach spoke of the status of the NJ EIT Grant. The amount of the grant and the projects were discussed. There may be a possibility to reduce the grant since the sewer utility will not be able to fund the payment schedule without having to increase the sewer invoice to the residents. Charles Avenue Road Project which was awarded a NJDOT Grant for \$152,000. may either have to be reduced in scope to meet the grant amount, or wait and apply for next year's grant and combine the two years' grants to fund the complete road project. The Engineer stated Gloucester Avenue is bit behind in the schedule but is on schedule per the contract terms. Bryant Avenue Road Project has a punch list to complete. American Asphalt is still trying to satisfy the CDBG requirements for certified payrolls for a previous road project. FedEx is working on a punch list which should be completed in the next few weeks.

Councilwoman Martz stated the Construction Office is doing well. The Housing Officer is going to classes to help him become a Construction Official.

Councilman D'Amico stated he is waiting for one quote for the cameras before he makes a final decision.

Councilman DePrince stated there was a three alarm fire at the Barrington Business Park. A debriefing meeting was held to review the response and action of the various departments. He stated the new Sterling EMS is working out fine in their first month. He stated the replacement for the opening of Detective will be Joseph Vadurro, and he would be driving the detective vehicle. He spoke of the arsonist involved in the Auto Body fire was caught. The fire started when the suspect was trying to steal gasoline from a gas tank and ignited the fire and caused serious injury to himself. DARE Graduation would take place this Friday May 18 at the Magnolia School.

Motion made by Councilwoman Martz, seconded by Councilman D'Amico to adjourn the meeting. All Council voted aye.

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