

MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 18, 2008
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, December 18, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. The Municipal Clerk took the roll call and showed that all were present. The Engineer Mr. Basehore and Mr. Bach were present.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martz 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 D'Amico to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman Wilson, with all Council voting aye.

Old Business:

Councilman DePrince made a short presentation on the results of meetings between the council subcommittee and the Fire Company subcommittee on the future of the fire house site and the fire company. Chris Merulla of the Fire Company was present. He presented a plan which had been presented and approved by the fire company in the past week, to downsize the building as we know it today to be a fire station and not a fire house which includes currently a majority of catering space for party rentals. The cost of overhead for the size of the building has been a strain on the fire company, with many years of diminishing hall rentals to support it. The fire company would sell three of the four residential building lots they own currently used as parking to help with the project, and the borough is proposing to assist with the remainder of the funding. This funding would have to be in the 2009 capital budget.

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Motion made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman D'Amico to support the project and to show good faith on the part of the Mayor and Council toward the project (Resolution 2008:183). All Council voted aye by roll call vote, with the exception of Councilwoman Martz who abstained.

New Business:

A fire person application for William C. Peters of 599 Arlmay Avenue of Somerdale was presented for approval. Motion by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman Wilson to approve the application, with all council voting aye.

Motion made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to approve Resolution 2008:181 to cancel all tax and sewer balances of \$10.00 and less, and cancel tax and sewer credits of \$10.00 and less. The list was provided by the CFO. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Motion made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman D'Amico to approve the December 03, 2008 minutes with Councilman DePrince abstaining since he was not present. All remaining Council voted aye.

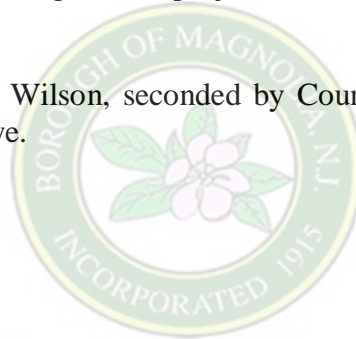
Motion made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman Wilson to approve the bill list. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Motion made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman DePrince to go into Executive Session (Resolution 2008:182). All Council voted aye.

Motion made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to come out of Executive Session. All Council voted aye.

Motion made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman DePrince to approve the re-allocation of the NJEIT funding on the projects (Resolution 2008:184). All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Motion made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adjourn the meeting. All Council voted aye.



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