

MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2009
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, November 19, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. The Municipal Clerk took the roll call and showed that all were present with the exception of Councilman Whalen who had notified of his absence. The Engineer Mark Basehore was present.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince to open this portion of the meeting to the public. Councilwoman Bonamassa seconded. All Council voting aye.

Brian Hinkel the new owner of "The Pike Tavern" was present and inquired to amending the municipal ordinance to allow his establishment to be open until 3 AM, rather than 2 AM. A motion was made for Resolution 2009:157 by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Bonamassa to review if a resolution could be adopted to allow for a temporary amendment to allow only this establishment to be open until 3AM. All Council voted aye by roll call vote. The Solicitor would review this and respond to the owner the following day.

Motion made by Councilman Brandt to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman Wilson, with all Council voting aye.

Old Business:

Motion made by Councilman DePrince to table Resolution 2009:124 to the October 07, 2009 meeting with Councilwoman Bonamassa making the second. All Council voted aye in agreement.

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Motion made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Brandt to table the November 04, 2009 minutes until the December 02, 2009 meeting. All Council agreed.

Motion was made by Councilman Brandt, seconded by Councilman DePrince to approve the payment of the bills as presented by the Treasurer. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Motion made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Brandt to adopt Resolution 2009:153 to go into Closed Session. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Motion made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Bonamassa to come out of Closed Session. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Councilman DePrince read a letter from Officer PJ Charles informing Council of his resignation from the Magnolia Police Department. Councilman DePrince made a motion to accept the resignation with regrets, seconded by Councilman Brandt, and all of Council voted aye.

Motion made by Councilman DePrince to adopt Resolution 2009:155 to appoint Andrew Weist as the Police Clerk, seconded by Councilman Brandt. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Motion made by Councilman Brandt, seconded by Councilman Wilson to adopt Resolution 2009:156 to approve the Transfer Resolution #1 for 2009. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Motion made by Councilman DePrince to adopt Resolution 2009:158 to approve the waiving of the permit fee for the ambulance fire alarm system. Seconded by Councilwoman Martz, with all Council voting aye.

Roundtable:

Councilwoman Bonamassa spoke of the open space grant money and the planning for the funds for the recreation center ground.

Councilman DePrince asked the Police Chief to explain the 2010 towing proposals. It was agreed by Council to approve Magnolia Towing, and to disqualify the other proposal which was received after the deadline. The Chief also explained the Zero Tolerance Grant where on Friday and Saturday night shifts officers patrol businesses to be sure they are secure and apartments are checked for drinking and drug activity and motor vehicle stops, with the main goal is crime prevention. The fire house status was also given by the Clerk. He stated he is reviewing the hours of operation for 2010 for the Court Office.

Councilman Brandt stating he is reviewing some new programs for 2010.

Councilwoman Martz stated the 2010 schedule was set for Planning Board. She also reported the results of the 2009 Rabies Clinic. The idea of sharing this with another town to help reduce funding.

Councilman Wilson stated leaf collection was moving along.

The Engineer stated the projects were moving along and they were working on the Safe Route to School Project.

The Mayor explained about the December 9 H1N1 Clinic at the Community Center from 4-7pm. Also stated Berean Baptist Church was reaching out to assist needy families.

The December 2 meeting the 2010 appointments would be reviewed. The December 17 meeting was agreed upon to be cancelled.

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