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Subject: OPRA request - Council meeting minutes

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Records requested:

- 1.) Minutes of Jan. 26, 2015 Regular Council Meeting
- 2.) Minutes of Jan. 26, 2015 Business Council Meeting
- 3.) Minutes of March 7, 2015 Workshop Council Meeting
- 4.) Minutes of February 27, 2013 Workshop Council Meeting ✓
- 5.) Minutes of March 2, 2013 Workshop Council Meeting ✓
- 6.) Minutes of April 24, 2013 Special Council Meeting ✓
- 7.) Minutes of June 21, 2013 Special Council Meeting ✓
- 8.) Minutes of December 2, 2013 Special Council Meeting ✓
- 9.) Minutes of March 12, 2016 Workshop Council Meeting
- 10.) Minutes of March 4, 2017 Workshop Council Meeting

Yours faithfully,

Kareema Davidson

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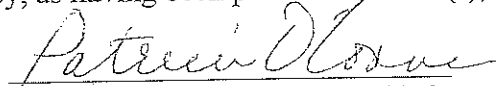
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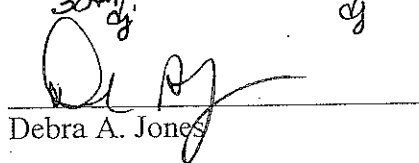
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Personally appeared Patricia O'Connor, Borough Clerk, of the Borough of South River, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that the advertisement of which the annexed is a true copy of the advertisement submitted to the Home News Tribune, a newspaper printed in Freehold, New Jersey, and published in Neptune, New Jersey, as having been published **1 time(s)**, once in each issue on **January 30, 2015**.


Patricia O'Connor, Borough Clerk

Sworn and subscribed before me
this ^{30th} ~~6th~~ day of January 30th, 2015


Debra A. Jones

BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

Notice is hereby given that as the January 26, 2015 Borough Council Meeting was canceled due to the winter storm, the Second Reading and Public Hearings for the following ordinances, which were to be held at said meeting, will be held on Monday, February 9, 2015 immediately after the conclusion of the 7:00 p.m. Business Meeting or soon thereafter:

Ord. 2015-1 - ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2015

Ord. 2015-2 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BOROUGH CODE CHAPTER 103 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

ATTEST:
Patricia O'Connor, RMC
Borough Clerk
(\$13.64)

Minutes
Post Sandy Super Storm Council Workshop Meeting with Department Heads
Wednesday, February 27, 2013
7:00 p.m. – 61 Main Street, Court/Council Chambers

In attendance: Mayor Krenzel, Councilman Guindi, Councilman Haussermann (arrived 8:15 p.m.), Councilman Hutchison, Councilman Jones, Councilman Roselli, Fred Carr, Mark Tinitigan, Tom Noto, Adriano Soares, Rick Fallon, Art Londensky, Ron Zammit, Stanley Ruzicki, Wayne Hodges

Mayor Krenzel called the meeting to order and stated that the purpose of the meeting is to discuss what happened during the storm, what could be done better and how departments worked with other departments during the storm.

Mayor Krenzel stated that the public is present this evening, but there will be a separate meeting in the future to get citizen input and FEMA representatives will be invited. He will confer with Council about the next meeting on who should be present or whether it should be chaired by Public Safety.

Mayor Krenzel stated this meeting is an informal discussion with department heads to get their input and if they need something, now is the time to speak up.

Tom Noto – Electric Engineer

- Worked well with borough departments
- Borough had no power from Monday night to Wednesday night
- No damage to substation
- Had to keep substation in a ready position for when Public Service came back; to do that, used portable generators that were scheduled for replacement
- When substation had power, Electric Department and DPW were able to get to the circuits in town
- Have a good maintenance program; equipment at substation was ready to go when Public Service came back on
- Would like a small generator at substation to maintain service about 50 kilowatt

Rick Fallon – Electric Department

- Worked Monday night for as long as possible; turned all breakers off for safety
- Tried to get circuits with the least amount of damage back on
- Isolated severely damaged areas
- Major problem was trees on roads and houses
- Recommended that a tree contractor be hired on stand-by to help clear trees when a storm hits so the electric department can get to the downed wires to restore the power outage
- Recommended that a tree contractor be hired for yearly tree maintenance

Adriano Soares – Public Works

- Need generator at 9 Ivan Way; workers need light, were working in dark
- Department worked well together
- Chipper needed
- Food situation was a problem and needs to be addressed

Mark Tinitigan – Police

- Had issue with former OEM Coordinator who did not properly plan for event
- There is an emergency plan for town, if it was in place, there would not have been a problem with food and shelter
- Command Post should have been set up
- Officers pulled off street when storm got really bad
- Electric was off throughout town
- Downtown area – emergency command post was set up on Obert St.
- Rescued 41 people from Washington St.; held in court room until weather subsided; took 27 of the 41 people to Old Bridge
- OEM Director ordered in Bus Driver; Chief stated he could not order a civilian into work in this type of weather. Chief handled situation.
- Needed temporary shelter
- Monroe Police Dept. generator was down; their 9-11 back up is South River; staff handled numerous calls
- Officers were put up in area hotels; had 12 to 16 hour days
- South River gas stations were open; Police had to control gas stations due to amount of people coming to town for gas
- Looting took place in abandoned houses; stationed officers in certain areas
- Warming shelters were needed; no place to recharge phones

Art Londensky – OEM Coordinator

- See attached report

Glenn Lauritsen – Construction Official (unable to attend meeting)

- Mayor outlined Mr. Lauriten's comments from minutes of Post Sandy meeting held on 12/19/12:
 - Buildings have been posted regarding unsafe structures
 - Notice for unfit for occupancy have been given
 - Coordination with PSE&G has been great
 - Worked well with electric department
 - Building and Code office remained opened as much as possible through the storm
 - To be bought out, residents will have to go to OEM Director to do application, application gets forward to County OEM by local OEM, County then forwards to State
 - Construction Official has been out with tax assessor looking at homes and assessing who has more then 50% damage. Letter will go out to residents with findings and they in turn will have to make a decision

and respond to the Administrator. This will be done by Certified Return Mail

- Recommends that OEM gets information out to residents and keep them informed

Ron Zammit – Code Enforcement

- Construction Official's report covered issues.

Bob Baker – Water/Sewer Treatment (unable to attend meeting)

- Mayor outlined Mr. Baker's comments from minutes of Post Sandy meeting held on 12/19/12:
 - Generator needed to run wells – Water
 - Should not rely on East Brunswick as much
 - Generator needed to pump – sewer
 - Need pump on William St.

Wayne Hodges - Rescue Squad

- See attached report

Stanley Ruzicki – Fire Department

- See attached report

Mayor Krenzel stated the next step will be addressing the issues, getting information out to the public, having a meeting with residents and FEMA representatives. The question is whether the entire Council wants to be at meeting or have Public Safety handle it. This will be discussed at the next Council Business Meeting.

Public Comment

Mickey Razzano, 1 Lee St.

- Thanked DPW for helping pick up garbage
- Thanked Police Dept. for making neighborhood safe
- Asked Council to help with moving along flood mitigation project with Army Corps of Engineers
- Food Bank did a great job

Mike Palazzolo, 31 Water St.

- Town did fabulous job
- Expressed frustration with Army Corps of Engineers study
- Asked Council to pressure State on buyouts for property owners
- South River got enough attention regarding Sandy; read nothing in papers about South River's problems
- Urged Council to push matters on residents' behalf

Sue Olsen, 9 Albert St.

- Transportation is a problem; residents have no cars to get to Salvation Army; where will they go to get food; Sayreville center closing in early March
- Questioned if town has pursued grants
- People will have to raise homes; need to have fundraiser to help people
- Borough departments did a great job
- Up to Council to help people

Maria Trzeciak, 9 Reid St.

- Has not gotten any help from FEMA
- Asked Council to help with sources and funds

There was no further public comment.

Motion made by Councilman Guindi to close public portion. Councilman Jones seconded the motion. So carried.

Adjournment

Motion made by Councilman Jones to adjourn meeting at 8:45 p.m. Councilman Guindi seconded the motion. So carried.

Drafted by Patricia O'Connor, RMC

Respectfully Submitted,



William Bray, RMC

Borough Clerk 3/11/19

3/2/13 Budget Workshop Meeting
9:00 a.m. – 48 Washington St.

Present: Mayor Krenzel, Councilmembers Guindi, Haussermann, Hutchison, Jones,
Roselli, Vaughn

Also present: Fred Carr, Borough Administrator, Joe Zanga, Chief Financial
Officer, Andy Hodulik, Auditor

Mayor Krenzel called meeting to order.

Councilman Roselli, Chairman of Budget Committee thanked Mr. Carr, Mr. Zanga,
Councilman Vaughn and Councilman Haussermann for their work on the proposed 2013
Municipal Budget.

Councilman Roselli noted that State Aid is not going down this year. He discussed how
Sandy has impacted the Borough. Councilman Roselli stated that the budget has been
reviewed by the Auditor.

Councilman Roselli turned the meeting over to Mr. Carr.

Mr. Carr gave a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed 2013 Municipal Budget, copy
attached.

Mr. Hodulik stated that it is a responsible budget to move forward.

Public Comment

No comment.

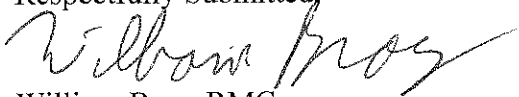
Motion made by Councilman Roselli to close public portion. Councilman Guindi
seconded the motion. So carried.

Time frame for budget introduction and public hearing will be to introduce budget on
3/11/13 and have public hearing on 4/22/13.

Adjournment

Motion made by Councilman Roselli to adjourn meeting at 10:05 a.m. Councilman
Guindi seconded the motion. So carried.

Drafted by Patricia O'Connor, RMC
Respectfully Submitted,



William Bray, RMC
Borough Clerk 3/11/19

April 24, 2013

ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROVIDED AS IS REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 231, PUBLIC LAW 1975 AND BY RESOLUTION 2013-14 WITH THE REQUEST OF THE HOME NEWS TRIBUNE AND THE SENTINEL NEWSPAPERS TO PUBLISH SAME AND THIS ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE ENTERED INTO THE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey was held April 24, 2013 and was called to order by Mayor John M. Krenzel at 7:00 PM in the Elementary/Middle School Cafetorium at 3 Montgomery Street in South River, New Jersey with the following Council members in attendance:

Council members Guindi, Hutchison, Jones, Roselli, Vaughn

Council member Haussermann was absent.

Mayor Krenzel stated the purpose of this meeting was to have residents that were affected by Superstorm Sandy speak to representatives of various government agencies that were present this evening about their concerns and problems.

Mayor Krenzel introduced representatives from the following organizations:

- FEMA
- American Red Cross
- Middlesex County Long Range Recovery Group
- NJ Department of Banking and Insurance
- Congressman Rush Holt's Office
- NJDEP
- Department of Community Affairs
- Help and Healing Support Services Group

Mayor Krenzel stated that he would open the meeting to the public for comment and then close the meeting in order to allow the residents to speak directly with the representatives of the agencies that are present.

Public Comment

Sue Olsen, 9 Albert St.

- Outlined steps for residents to get help
- Will have billboard in her front yard to post Sandy information
- Wants to start a committee to help her assist residents; call her at 732-257-9344

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Tom Deltz, 12 Lee St.

- Asked what is being done to stop flooding. Mayor Krenzel stated that Councilmen Jones and Hutchison are working together checking on the status of the Army Corps of Engineer project.

Jimmy, Hurricane Engineering

- Urged residents to get a public adjuster.

Paul Baron, 5 Reid St.

- Expressed concerns with getting assistance; hopes he can get some help.

Teri Lavoie, 20 Belmont St.

- Flooded three times; what can be done to reduce flooding.

Ann Marie Briscese, 97 Jeffrie Ave.

- Asked if Borough gives out sandbags. Mayor said no.

Richard, William St.

- Commended DPW for trash removal.
- Asked when Senior Center will be repaired. Mayor stated Council is working on it, no time set yet.

Natalie Vona, 4 Willow Place

- Mother lives on Causeway; questioned if tax break is available
- Thanked Sue Olsen

No further comments were made. Councilman Jones closed the public portion. Councilman Guindi seconded the motion. So carried.

Adjournment

Councilman Guindi moved that this meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Councilman Roselliseconded the motion. So carried.

Drafted by Patricia O'Connor, RMC

Respectfully Submitted,



William Bray, RMC
Borough Clerk 3/11/19

June 21, 2013

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A Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey was held June 21, 2013 and was called to order by Mayor John M. Krenzel at 5:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Criminal Justice Building at 61 Main Street in South River, New Jersey with the following Council members in attendance:

Council members Guindi, Haussermann (arrived at 5:06 p.m.), Hutchison, Jones, Roselli, Vaughn.

Also attending this meeting were Frederick C. Carr, Borough Administrator and Joseph Zanga, Chief Financial Officer.

Mayor Krenzel stated the purpose of this meeting was to discuss with the Fire Chief and Fire Building Committee the budget and size for the new firehouse.

Stanley Ruzicki, Fire Chief

- Commented that at the last Council meeting, the governing body employed Mitchell Architects Associates and asked why he was not present at this meeting. Mayor Krenzel stated Council decided not to have the architect present. Mayor Krenzel asked how the size of the firehouse was arrived at.

Lou Bongiovi

- Fire Building Committee was formed in 2009; Messina, the Architect was hired to come us with a needs assessment; were told that a 24,000 sq. ft. firehouse was needed.

Mayor asked when Mr. Mitchell did a needs assessment. Mr. Carr noted that Mr. Mitchell did a report on the Elks property at the time; he also did a presentation on a footprint on the Knights property.

Mr. Ruzicki noted that Mr. Mitchell's proposal was submitted on 2/22/11.

Mayor Krenzel asked if Council had any questions.

Clm. Roselli asked Mr. Zanga what has been bonded for the firehouse. Mr. Zanga responded.

Mr. Ruzicki asked Mr. Zanga and Mr. Carr about the bond in question and its availability in 2015. Mr. Carr and Mr. Zanga responded.

Art Londensky

- Stated there is a misconception that we cannot build firehouse until 2015, we can bond in 2014. Mayor Krenzel stated that it is more optimal to bond in 2015, but we can bond in 2014.

Mayor Krenzel asked Council what is the next step. Clm. Roselli stated that we need the architect to come up with a cost for the firehouse. Mayor Krenzel said if the Council needs any additional information, contact Mr. Carr.

Mr. Londensky stated it can take two to three months to come up with a cost estimate. We have to get project moving.

Mr. Bongiovi questioned status of contract with Mitchell. Mr. Carr advised he provided contract to attorney for review. There were minor changes and Mr. Mitchell will sign the contract.

Mayor Krenzel asked Mr. Carr to contact Mr. Mitchell to see how much time he would need to discuss with Council – possibly meet a half hour prior to the next business meeting.

Public Comment

Jack Alai, 198 Main St.

- Cost of fire house; impact on taxes; asked Council to try and keep taxes from going up.

Brian Fenyak, Wilcox Ave.

- Analysis needed; impact on taxpayers; when Council gets cost of firehouse, compare it to shared services and fixing current firehouse.

Stanley Ruzicki

- Agrees with residents' concerns with impact on taxes; won't know until we get estimate from architect.
- Building Committee met with architect to discuss the fire department's needs, not wants.
- Condition of current firehouse is terrible.
- Asked for confirmation that Mitchell is hired pending signing of contract. Mr. Carr said yes.

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Art Londensky

- Council made decision to buy two properties to build the firehouse; asked for confirmation that discussion to refurbish current firehouse is off the table. Mayor Krenzel said that was true.

Cltm. Hutchison stated that what has to be in the firehouse is based on the needs assessment; tax impact has to be looked at; George St. firehouse does not have the necessities.

No further comments were made. Councilman Guindi closed the public portion. Councilman Jones seconded the motion. So carried.

Cltm. Jones asked if the Clerk could prepare a brief overview of the meeting and provide it to the Fire Chief along with a copy of a compact disc of the meeting. Mayor Krenzel said yes.

Adjournment

Councilman Jones moved that this meeting be adjourned at 5:45 p.m. Councilman Roselli seconded the motion. So carried.

Drafted by Patricia O'Connor, RMC

Respectfully Submitted,



William Bray, RMC
Borough Clerk 3/11/19

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A Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey was held December 2, 2013 and was called to order by Mayor Krenzel at 6:30 PM in the Council Chamber of the Criminal Justice Building at 61 Main Street in South River, New Jersey with the following Councilmembers in attendance:

Councilmembers Guindi, Haussermann, Hutchison, Jones, Roselli, Vaughn

Also attending this meeting were Frederick C. Carr, Borough Administrator and Thomas Noto, P.E., Electrical Engineer.

Mayor Krenzel stated that the purpose of the meeting was for Council to discuss having one 1 mg. generator for the DPW or having multiple generators for DPW. Thomas Noto, P.E., Electrical Engineer, was present to answer any questions.

Councilman Haussermann questioned Mr. Noto on the estimates he supplied to Council for a 1 mg. generator and also on the estimates for multiple generators. Mr. Noto clarified the information given to Council.

Mayor asked Mr. Noto where he got his figures. Mr. Noto said figures were based on walk-throughs and sizes of various buildings, estimates based on other buildings and what he received in past. Mr. Noto recommended a single 1 mg diesel generator for site.

Mr. Carr said numbers are estimates and the Borough would have to go out to bid for the project. Mr. Carr stated he could write a grant for generation at DPW site, confident that would keep SR in the game. Mr. Noto couldn't get bids/contract by Dec. 16.

Mayor polled Council members for their position on the issue.

Councilman Vaughn stated he was inclined to go with multiple generators but wanted solid price estimates on options before making a decision.

Councilman Jones stated he supported a single 1mg generator.

Councilman Roselli stated he wanted solid numbers on both option before making the decision. Councilman Roselli stated the Borough should also apply for the grant.

Councilman Guindi stated he favored a single 1mg generator.

Councilman Haussermann stated he wanted solid numbers on both options before making

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a decision.

Councilman Vaughn stated he wanted solid number on both option before making a decision but he was favoring multiple generators.

Mayor Krenzel stated there are two Councilmembers for 1 mg generator, Councilman Jones and Councilman Guindi and three Councilmember who wanted solid estimates on both options, Councilman Roselli, Councilman Haussermann and Councilman Vaughn.

Councilman Jones asked when a decision would be made. Mayor said we will have to get bids out. Mr. Noto said he could have information in 60-90 days.

Public Comment - There were no comments.

Adjournment

Councilman Guindi moved that this meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m.
Councilman Roselli seconded the motion. So carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "William Bray", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

William Bray, RMC
Borough Clerk 3/11/19