

WORK SESSION MINUTES – June 11, 2013

All decisions made at a work session are subject to finalization at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council.

WORK SESSION MINUTES

DATE: June 11, 2013

CAUCUS ROOM

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Richard LaBarbiera

Paul Kaufman, Borough Attorney

Annemarie Krusznis, Borough Clerk

Joseph D'Arco, Borough Administrator

Council Members:

Amato

Bellinger

Lagana

Nazziola

Warburton

1. Resolution No: 13-6- 390 Notification of meetings as required by "The Open Public Meetings Act."

-Read by Municipal Clerk at 7:49 P.M.

-Moment of Silence observed for the passing of former councilman Frank Scott

-Mayor discusses retirement of Police Chief Brock, Mayor wishes to appoint Dep. Chief Ehrenberg to Chief.

Motion to Confirm: Councilwoman Bellinger

Second: Councilman Amato

Yeas: Amato, Bellinger, Lagana, Nazziola, Warburton

Absent: Verile

2. Elevator Sub code Responsibility Hearing

3. BOROUGH CLERK'S REPORT:

- a) Request by Westland Garden State Plaza to perform Night Work and to work on Sunday, June 23rd, 2013

-Approved

- b) Request for Sunday and evening construction work by Rectenwald Brothers Construction

-Denied, No pressing safety issue

- c) Letter received from Service & Maintenance Corp. requesting approval for a change of date for helicopter lift for Garden State Plaza McDonalds air conditioning unit installation.

-Approved

4. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

-Requests for donations to Senior Center should go through the Administrator's office;

-NJ Dept of Transportation Bus Shelters and AR James Contract;

-Solar panel project design is moving forward;

-Traffic light at Midland Ave is final, finishing paving, timing of light adjusted;

-Contract signed for roof repairs; pre-construction meeting to commence shortly;

-Budget discussed;

-Flexible Spending Plan on agenda tonight;

-Firing range recommendation for part-time staff;

-Pool maintenance brought under DPW Superintendent Guy Picone and Administration, monitoring capital expenditures at pool so that projects get done;

-Summer staff for recreation on agenda for tonight;

-Personnel – new hires for building, borough clerk's office and quality of life office for closed session;

-Discussion of Ordinance 13-19 for Closed Session

-Court Administrator salary request for Closed Session

-Recreation Assistant for Closed Session

5. **BOROUGH ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

-Discusses Interlocal agreement with Fort Lee for conflicts in obtaining construction permits, resolution is on agenda for this evening

6. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

-Asks about Historic Property Overlay Zone ordinance, Borough Attorney responds that it can be introduced at next meeting and that property owners will be notified;
-Shares letter from a woman about the Mayor's Wellness Campaign and how it changed her life, kudos to Judy for the program, program has benefitted the lives of the residents;
-Discussion about discounts for Military veterans, administration has been proactive with honoring veterans, thinks that council should move on this, has recommendations for council to consider, should be consistent with discounts offered to volunteers, Council is in agreement, resolution to be added tonight;

7. **COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS**

Councilman Amato

-Important for Zoning changes to be made, long overdue;

Councilwoman Bellinger

-Interviews with Police Officer candidates, process went well; process narrowed through testing; Council is in agreement that four new police officers should be hired;
-Discusses Doctor for baseline concussion testing and possible fee for Recreation, parents meetings, have to figure out the logistics of the program, process is moving forward;
- Woman came forward at the Substance Awareness Committee meeting from Senior Source at Riverside Square mall, it is for all Senior citizens in Bergen County at no cost, numerous programs for seniors, Discuss approval of taking Senior Bus to drive seniors to Riverside Sq. Mall in Hackensack;

Councilman Lagana

-Discusses needed changes to the Borough Code, reviewed by building dept., Planning Board, Zoning Board;
General changes throughout entire zone, should reduce number of people having to go in front of Zoning board for a variance;

Councilman Nazzola

-Smoking zone by the burn building, Fire chief requested smoking area and receptacles be moved;
-Human Services building is in disrepair, requests that Mayor and Council discuss, possible relocation of dept, Mr. D'Arco will look into problem;

Councilman Verile

N/A

Councilman Warburton

-Library Board requested that the Mayor and Council discuss renovations to the Library and the presentation made to the Mayor and Council, residents are in favor but the dollar amount is substantial, understands other needs in town but we need to start somewhere, seniors and children will have a place to go, Mayor and Council discuss, possible referendum before spending money for Library;

8. **MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION:**

a) 2013 Municipal Budget

-Frank DiMaria discusses the latest draft of the 2013 Municipal Budget;

-Introduce at the June 25th meeting

- b) 2012 Board of Adjustment Annual Report
- c) Parking Ordinance On Lockwood Dr And Sherwood Dr.
- d) Parking Ordinance on Essex Street
- e) Parking Ordinance Short Way
- f) Time Limit Parking on Sycamore
- g) An Ordinance To Allow Certain Encroachments Into Restricted Setback Yard
- h) An Ordinance To Amend Chapter 429 Of The Code Of The Borough Of Paramus, Land Use Regulations, Chapter 429 Entitled "Zoning"

9. ORDINANCE ON INTRODUCTION:

Ordinance 13-16: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VACATING UTILITY EASEMENT AT 497 ADLER WAY

Motion: Councilman Lagana Second: Councilman Amato
Yeas: Amato, Bellinger, Lagana, Nazzola, Warburton
Nays: None

Ordinance 13-19: AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGE AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN PART-TIME EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS
-PULLED

Ordinance 13-20: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 429 OF THE PARAMUS CODE

Motion: Councilman Lagana Second: Councilwoman Bellinger
Yeas: Amato, Bellinger, Lagana, Nazzola, Warburton
Nays: None

10. RESOLUTION No. 13-6- 391: closing the Meeting of the Mayor and Council to the public.

Motion to go into Closed Session at 9:20 P.M.

Motion: Councilman Lagana Second: Councilman Nazzola
Yeas: Amato, Bellinger, Lagana, Nazzola, Warburton
Nays: None

- a. PEA contract
- b. Litigation settlements – Tookmanian and Marty proposed settlements
- c. Interlocal Agreement with Woodcliff Lake
- d. Personnel – Police Appointments, Part-Time positions for Building, Borough Clerk, and Quality of Life inspectors; Ordinance 13-19, Court Administrator salary request, Recreation Assistant

Back into Open Session at 10:31 P.M.

11. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Citizens are welcome to address the Mayor and Council on any governmental item of concern to them, whether or not it is scheduled on the agenda above. Comments will be made at the public portion of tonight's Public Meeting in the Council Chambers.

John from Crown Castle regarding Resolution 13-6-404

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 13-6-406: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF DINO MAREVAC TO THE POSITION OF PARK RANGER FOR THE SHADE TREE AND PARKS COMMISSION EFFECTIVE MAY 30, 2013 AT THE CURRENT HOURLY RATE OF \$9.00 PER HOUR

Motion: Councilman Lagana Second: Councilman Nazziola
Yeas: Bellinger, Lagana, Nazziola, Warburton
Nays: None
Abstain: Amato

Resolution No. 13-6-411: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER AN INTER-LOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE FOR THE USE OF THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS TAX ASSESSOR

Motion: Councilman Lagana Second: Councilman Nazziola
Yeas: Amato, Bellinger, Lagana, Nazziola, Warburton
Nays:

A CONSENT AGENDA WILL BE ADOPTED FOR ITEMS 12 AND 13

12. **RESOLUTIONS:**

Resolution No. 13-6-392: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

Resolution No. 13-6-393: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

Resolution No. 13-6-394: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE GOLF UTILITY

Resolution No. 13-6-395: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO IMPLEMENT A FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT FOR THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS EMPLOYEES

Resolution No. 13-6-396 : A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS TAX COLLECTOR TO PREPARE AND MAIL ESTIMATED TAX BILLS IN ACCORDANCE WITH P.L. 1994 C.72

Resolution No. 13-6-397 : A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND TO THE FOLLOWING TAXPAYERS DUE TO AN OVERPAYMENT

Resolution No. 13-6-398: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF A PERFORMANCE CASH BOND POSTED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,500.00 FOR BLOCK 1809, LOT 3 TO MILLSTEIN PARAMUS, LLC AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOROUGH ENGINEER. (PAES-1805A)

Resolution No. 13-6-399: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF ENGINEERING ESCROW IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,692.00 FOR BLOCK 6205, LOT 1 TO ANCO ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOROUGH ENGINEER. (PAES-2201)

Resolution No. 13-6-400: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF THE DEMOLITION BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000.00 AS REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 211 TO OXFORD CUSTOM HOME BUILDERS

Resolution No. 13-6-401: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COMMERCIAL TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY TO SETTLE 2010, 2011, 2012 AND 2013 TAX APPEALS CAPTIONED 64 MIDLAND BDL ASSOC, LLC V. BOROUGH OF PARAMUS, BLOCK 4303 – LOT 6, 64 MIDLAND AVENUE, PARAMUS, NEW JERSEY UNDER DOCKET NUMBERS 015079-2010, 017372-2011, 002886-2012 AND 000050-2013

Resolution No. 13-6-402: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS AND KEANSBURG AMUSEMENT PARK / RUNAWAY RAPIDS WATERPARK

Resolution No. 13-6-403: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS AND ANY EXCUSE FOR A PARTY, INC

Resolution No. 13-6-404: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE BOROUGH CLERK TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH CROWN CASTLE NG EAST INC.

Resolution No. 13-6-405: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE BOROUGH CLERK TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH A.R. JAMES & COMPANY, LTD. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF NEW BUS SHELTERS

Resolution No. 13-6-406: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF DINO MAREVAC TO THE POSITION OF PARK RANGER FOR THE SHADE TREE AND PARKS COMMISSION EFFECTIVE MAY 30, 2013 AT THE CURRENT HOURLY RATE OF \$9.00 PER HOUR

-Moved to Non-Consent Agenda

Resolution No. 13-6-407: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF SEASONAL EMPLOYEES TO SUMMER CAMP FOR THE PARAMUS RECREATION DEPARTMENT 2013 SUMMER SEASON

Resolution No. 13-6-408: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL HOPKINS TO THE POSITION OF PARK RANGER FOR THE SHADE TREE AND PARKS COMMISSION EFFECTIVE JUNE 6, 2013 AT THE CURRENT HOURLY RATE OF \$9.00 PER HOUR

Resolution No. 13-6-409: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF SAMUEL SCHLAMOWITZ TO THE POSITION OF PARK RANGER FOR THE SHADE TREE AND PARKS COMMISSION EFFECTIVE JUNE 13, 2013 AT THE CURRENT HOURLY RATE OF \$9.00 PER HOUR

Resolution No. 13-6-410: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER AN INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH FORT LEE FOR CONFLICTS RELATED TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

Resolution No. 13-6-411: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER AN INTER-LOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE FOR THE USE OF THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS TAX ASSESSOR

-Moved to Non-Consent Agenda

Resolution No. 13-6-412: A RESOLUTION FOR THE VETERANS' DISCOUNT

13. **APPLICATIONS:**

Raffles

- a. Happy Tails Animal Rescue RL-3054

Approval of Consent Agenda Items 12 and 13

Motion: Councilman Lagana Second: Councilman Amato
Yeas: Amato, Bellinger, Lagana, Nazziola, Warburton
Nays: None

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Councilwoman Bellinger Second: Councilman Lagana
Yeas: Amato, Bellinger, Lagana, Nazziola, Warburton
Nays: None

Meeting Adjourned at 10:33 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Annemarie Krusznis, RMC
Borough Clerk