

Minutes of the Conference Meeting of the Borough Council held July 17th, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, 531 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains, New Jersey.

Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.

Mayor Frank J. Druetzler called the meeting to order and read the following notice:

I HEREBY ANNOUNCE AND STATE THAT ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS PROVIDED BY VIRTUE OF A RESOLUTION SCHEDULING THE TIME, DATE, AND PLACE OF MEETINGS OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS FOR THE YEAR 2014; WHICH RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL ON JANUARY 7, 2014, AND WAS PUBLISHED IN THE *MORRIS NEWSBEE* AND IN THE *DAILY RECORD* AND BY THE FORWARDING OF SUCH RESOLUTION TO ALL PERSONS ON THE REQUEST LIST; BY THE POSTING OF SUCH RESOLUTION ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE BOROUGH HALL; ALL OF THE ABOVE ACTIONS BEING IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, *ET SEQ.*

Present on Roll Call:

Mayor Frank J. Druetzler
Councilmembers: George J. Coogan
Joseph Cecala, Jr.
Laurie J. Fu
Jason C. Karr
Frank Mangravite
Suzanne B. McCluskey

Absent: None

Present: Gail H. Fraser, Esq., Borough Attorney

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Council President Coogan:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. 2014-102 entitled "Executive Session" be adopted.

Seconded by Councilmember McCluskey. So ordered.

Councilmember Karr moved that the Conference Session be adjourned.

Seconded by Councilmember Cecala.

Frank J. Druetzler, Mayor

June Uhrin, Borough Clerk

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Borough Council held July 17th, 2014 at 8:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, 531 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains, New Jersey.

Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.

Mayor Frank J. Druetzler called the meeting to order and read the following notice:

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Absent: None

Present: Gail H. Fraser, Esq., Borough Attorney
Leon Hall, PE, Borough Engineer

Mayor Druetzler recognized dignitaries in attendance.

OATH OF OFFICE – Nicholas Grawehr, Probationary Patrolman

Mayor Druetzler invited Nicholas Grawehr to come forward to take the Oath of Office. He was joined by his family, Jeanne & James Grawehr, Harold O'Neill, Stephanie & Jessica and Katie Bauer, girlfriend. Mr. Grawehr held the Bible.

Probationary Patrolman Grawehr thanked the Governing Body for giving him the opportunity to serve Morris Plains.

OATH OF OFFICE – Jason Kohn, Police Chief

Mayor Druetzler invited Jason Kohn to come forward to take the Oath of Office. He was joined by his wife, Maggie, and daughters Healey and Madeline. Jason's parents also joined him. Maggie held the Bible.

Chief Kohn thanked the Governing Body for this opportunity and thanked his department for being present and showing their support. Chief Kohn stated that it is an honor to serve this community. He thanked his family, especially Maggie for their years of love and support. To Healey he offered a special thanks for sharing her 9th Birthday with the community.

Mayor Druetzler stated that we will take a break and invited everyone to the Fire Association Room for Congratulations and refreshments.

Mayor Druetzler reopened the meeting at 9:12 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Coogan moved:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Executive, Conference and the Regular Meetings of June 19th 2014 be approved.

Seconded by Councilmember McCluskey. So ordered.

Voice vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

Councilmember Coogan moved:

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Morris Plains, that the attached reports be accepted and that said reports be kept on file in the Clerk's Office:

REPORTS

Borough Clerk, June 2014
Animal Licensing, June 2014
Animal Control, June 2014
Sanitarian, June 2014
Fire Prevention, June 2014
Building Inspector, June 2014
Police Department, June 2014
Treasurer, June 2014
Tax Collector, June 2014
Tipping Fees, June 2014
Municipal Court, June 2014

Borough Attorney, Quarterly
Borough Engineer, Quarterly

THAT the Resolution No. 2014-103 entitled, "KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #3495, BISHOP McLAUGHLIN COUNCIL, RAFFLE LICENSE NO. 255-14," be adopted as attached.

THAT the Resolution No. 2014-104 entitled, "RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING LIEN BLOCK 61, LOT 1, 3 MAYFAIR ROAD," be adopted as attached.

THAT the Resolution No. 2014-105 entitled, "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS TO PARTICIPATE AND ENTER INTO A COMMODITY RESALE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF MORRIS UNDER ITS COMMODITY RESALE SYSTEM FOR THE RESALE OF GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUEL," be adopted as attached.

THAT the Resolution No. 2014-106 entitled, "P.L. 1994 CHAPTER 72, STATE OF NEW JERSEY," be adopted as attached.

THAT the Resolution No. 2014-107 entitled, "RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE BOROUGH'S CONTINUING SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR CHRISTIE AND HIS ADMINISTRATION'S DECISION TO DEMOLISH THE BUILDINGS AT GREYSTONE PARK PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL, CONVERT THE PROPERTY TO OPEN SPACE AND CONVEY IT TO THE COUNTY OF

MORRIS FOR OPEN SPACE AND PUBLIC PARK PURPOSES," be adopted as attached.

THAT the Resolution No. 2014-108 entitled, “RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE USE AND OPERATION OF THE MORRIS PLAINS COMMUNITY CENTER,” be adopted as attached.

THAT Jeff Paul, be hired a Special Police Officer for the Morris Plains Police Department at an hourly rate of \$40.80, effective July 17th 2014.

THAT the Borough Treasurer be authorized to advertise for the receipt of bids for the American Road Improvements, with bids to be received on Tuesday, August 19, 2014, up to 10:00 am in the Council Chambers.

THAT the Borough Clerk publish the proper notice of a Special Meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council and Planning Board to be held on August 5, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. to review a concept proposal by Roseland Properties and any other matters that may come before the Borough Council.

THAT the Borough Council approve the membership application of Cody Bubryckie, 16 Diana Road, Morris Plains, as a member of the Morris Plains Junior Fire Auxiliary.

THAT the National Multiple Sclerosis Society be granted permission to bicycle through a portion of the Borough on September 20th and September 21st 2014 as part of its benefit and that the Police Department provide the necessary support.

THAT Turn The Towns Teal® be granted permission to tie teal ribbons on the trees along Speedwell Avenue in recognition of National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, September 2014.

THAT Gina Baker be hired for the Recreation Enhancement program, Girls Basketball Coach at \$50.00 per session effective July 21st 2014.

THAT Shannon Prisco be hired for the Recreation program “Kids Helping Kids” programs at \$50.00 per session effective August 11th 2014; which mentor program is authorized through a Grant and Registration [The program is self funded].

THAT the attached be hired for the 2014 Summer Pool season at the position and salary stated, effective July 17th 2014.

THAT Phyllis & Dan Smith be granted permission to serve alcoholic beverages at a barbecue to be held Wednesday, July 30th 2014 from 2:00 PM to Dusk at Community Park.

THAT Monisha Khadse be granted permission to serve alcoholic beverages at a party be held Sunday, August 10th 2014 from 2:00 PM to Dusk at Community Park.

THAT the Borough Treasurer authorization to solicit bid proposals for a new Trailer Hydraulic-Fed Mounted Drum Style Brush Chipper with Optional Accessories, with a bid acceptance date of Thursday, July 31, 2014, up to 10:00 am in the Council Chambers is hereby ratified.

THAT the Borough Treasurer be authorized to advertise for the receipt of bids for the furnishing and delivery of a new Leaf Loader/Shredder Attachment for a Multi-Purpose Tractor, with bids

to be received on Wednesday, August 13, 2014, up to 10:00 am in the Council Chambers.

THAT the Borough Council approve the membership application of Conor J. Green, 4 Leamoor Drive, Morris Plains, as a member of the Morris Plains Fire Department.

THAT the Tri County Motor Club be granted permission to park vehicles at the Watnong Park parking lot Sunday, August 24th 2014 from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM while attending an event at the VFW Post #3401.

THAT the Borough Council approve the Mayor's Proclamation declaring September 27th 2014, "ONE COMMUNITY, ONE BOOK" in the Borough of Morris Plains.

THAT having received quotes for the purchase and installation of locks and cameras in the Morris Plains Police Department from the following:

Lincoln Technology, LLC	\$3,798.00
System One Alarm Services	\$3,900.00
Cy Drake Locksmiths, Inc.	No quote

THAT a purchase order be issued to Lincoln Technology, LLC, Lincoln Park, NJ in the amount of \$3,798.00.

THAT the Borough Council approve the membership application of Evan Stavrou, 45 Meadow Bluff Road, Morris Plains, as a member of the Morris Plains Junior Fire Auxiliary.

Seconded by Councilmember Karr.

Yeas: Councilmembers Coogan, Cecala, Fu, Karr, Mangravite, McCluskey
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

GREETINGS OF PUBLIC AND INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION

Mayor Druetzler stated seeing no one we will move on to reports.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND/OR DEPARTMENT HEADS

Finance

Councilmember Karr reported that Ana held a note sale and that the Library's annual Petting Zoo was well attended with children having a great time.

Public Safety

Councilmember McCluskey reported on monies received for Sandy Relief and Mitigation Grant.

Councilmember McCluskey reported that two eighth grade graduates attended the Tri-Morris Junior Police Academy.

Councilmember McCluskey reported that Roberts Garden Commission purchased "gator bags" for the newly planted trees.

Public Works

Councilmember Cecala referred to Department of Public Works (DPW) Superintendent Signorelli's report, highlighting some of the work currently being done. He also reported on the successful fireworks display and the bear sighting on West Hanover Avenue.

Mr. Hall reported on current road project status.

Public Buildings & Grounds

Councilmember Fu stated that she is extending a special thank you to the Road Department for the great work that they have done for Little League, Shade Tree and Family Day.

Councilmember Fu reported that the schedule is set for tree plantings.

Councilmember Fu reported that the Senior Picnic held today was another successful event with Seniors' enjoying food and entertainment by Frank Sinatra!

Councilmember Fu reported on the pool and snack bar activities as well as the fence painting. The Splash Party will be held this Saturday, July 19th and the next issue of PlainsTalk will be mailed in August.

Public Welfare, Sanitation & Sewers

Councilmember Mangravite reported on the activities of the Teen Center and Municipal Alliance.

Councilmember Mangravite reported that the Board of Health is set for Wellness Day, Saturday, October 25th with flu shots being provided at the event as well as at Fast-ER during the month of October. Further information will be in PlainsTalk. The 2015 Rabies clinic is set for January 10th 2015.

Ordinance & Public Utilities

Councilmember Coogan had no report.

PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, ETC.

Mayor Druetzler opened the meeting to the public. Seeing none, Mayor Druetzler closed the public hearing.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Councilmember Coogan introduced the following ordinance and read the same by title and moved that it be passed on First Reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 12-2014

AN ORDINANCE TO APROPRIATE \$55,000.00 FROM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A NEW TRAILER HYDRAULIC-FED MOUNTED FRUM STYLE BRUSH CHIPPER BY THE BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Councilmember Karr seconded the motion.

Yeas: Councilmembers Coogan, Cecala, Fu, Karr, Mangravite, McCluskey
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Thereupon, Councilmember Coogan offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the above ordinance was introduced and read by title at this meeting on July 17th 2014 and passed on First Reading.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED at a meeting to be held on August 21st 2014 at 8:30 PM prevailing time in the Municipal Building in the said Borough, this Council will further consider for Second Reading and final passage of said ordinance.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of this Borough be and she is hereby directed to publish and mail the proper notice thereof, including the ordinance, post the ordinance on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building and make copies available to members of the general public.

Councilmember Cecala seconded the resolution. All in favor.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

Councilmember Coogan read by title the ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 11 - 2014

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE AMERICAN ROAD IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$275,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$142,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING SUCH APPROPRIATION

which ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting held on June 19th 2014.

The Clerk read the following notice:

Notice is hereby given that the following ordinance was submitted in writing at a meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Morris Plains on June 19th 2014, introduced and read by title and passed on first reading, and that the said Governing Body will further consider the same for second reading and final passage thereof at a regular meeting beginning at 8:30 P.M., on July 17th 2014 at the Borough Hall, 531 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains, New Jersey, in said Borough at which time and place a public hearing will be held thereon by the Governing Body and all parties in interest and citizens and all persons shall have an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

Councilmember Coogan read the following notice and ordinance by title and stated that the Notice and Ordinance had been published as required by law that the ordinance had been posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and that copies had been made available to members of the general public.

Mayor Druetzler announced that the meeting is open for a public hearing on the ordinance and stated that any taxpayer of the Borough of Morris Plains and all parties and persons in interest and citizens may be heard. Seeing no one, Mayor Druetzler closed the Public Hearing.

Attorney Fraser stated that due to a publication deficiency that the ordinance can not be adopted at tonight's meeting. The ordinance will be amended at this meeting and published and posted as required.

Thereupon Councilmember Coogan offered the motion for its amendment.

Councilmember Karr seconded the motion.

Yeas: Councilmembers Coogan, Cecala, Fu, Karr, Mangravite,
McCluskey
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

WHEREAS, the above ordinance was introduced and read by title at a meeting on June 19th 2014 and passed on First Reading, and amended at this meeting on July 17th 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED at a meeting to be held on August 5th 2014 at 7:00 PM prevailing time in the Municipal Building in the said Borough, this Council will further consider for Second Reading and final passage of said ordinance.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of this Borough be and she is hereby directed to publish and mail the proper notice thereof, including the ordinance, post the ordinance on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building and make copies available to members of the general public.

Councilmember Cecala seconded the resolution. All in favor.

RESOLUTIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

VOUCHERS

Mr. Karr moved the vouchers for July be approved.

Seconded by Councilmember Coogan.

Yeas: Councilmembers Coogan, Cecala, Fu, Karr, McCluskey
Nays: Councilmember Mangravite
Absent: None
Abstain: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember McCluskey moved that the Regular Meeting be adjourned at 10:10 P.M.

Seconded by Councilmember Cecala.

Frank J. Druetzler, Mayor

June Uhrin, Borough Clerk