

Minutes of the Conference Meeting of the Borough Council held July 16th 2015, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, 531 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains, New Jersey.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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 2015; WHICH RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL ON JANUARY 7, 2015, 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: Jason C. Karr
Salvatore Cortese
John Doherty
Laurie J. Fu
Suzanne B. McCluskey

Absent: Councilmember Joseph Cecala, Jr.
Gail H. Fraser, Esq.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Mayor Druetzler commented that there is a large Consent Calendar for this meeting and asked if anyone had any questions about it.

There were no questions.

Mayor Druetzler next raised the subject of a letter received from Dunkin' Donuts on Route 202. The letter was about signage that this business did not believe was in good repair.

Cross discussion about the subject signage in general and the best way to address the issue.

Mayor Druetzler also mentioned the on-going renovation work that is being done at this business to construct a new restroom and that sidewalk repair work is being done in the area of the entrance to the Kohl's shopping center.

Brief cross discussion about other reconstruction/repair work projects.

Councilmember McCluskey stated that power will be down for Borough Hall on Wednesday, July 22, 2015. The Fire Department has been advised. Also next week the traffic signal at Route 202 and Malapardis Road will be having repairs.

Cross discussion about meetings that will take place soon, with the auditor/adjuster and Jersey Central Power & Light (JCP&L).

Councilmember Karr reported on a Finance Committee meeting with Rajesh in connection with the Cloud and the work that will need to be completed to for update. Costs will include servers and licensing. This changeover will most likely take place in stages/phases. He also reported on a Safety meeting recently held.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Movedd by Councilmember Karr:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Resolution No. 2015-91 entitled “Executive Session” be adopted.

Seconded by Councilmember Doherty. So ordered.

Voice Vote. All in favor.

Councilmember McCluskey moved that the Executive Session be adjourned.

Seconded by Councilmember Karr.

Councilmember McClsukey moved that the Conference Meeting be adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Seconded by Councilmember Doherty.

Frank J. Druetzler, Mayor

June Uhrin, Borough Clerk

Recorded by Rosanne Denman, Acting Clerk

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Borough Council held July 16th 2015 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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Gail Fraser, Esq.

Present: Leon Hall, PE, Borough Engineer

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT

Mayor Druetzler appointed Jacob Cahill to the Recreation Commission which term will expire December 31, 2017.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Karr moved:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Special Meeting of June 11th 2015 be approved.

Seconded by Councilmember McCluskey. So ordered.

Voice vote. All in favor.

Councilmember Karr moved:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Executive, Conference and the Executive, Conference and Regular Meetings of June 18th 2015 be approved.

Seconded by Councilmember McCluskey. So ordered.

Voice vote. All in favor.

OATH OF OFFICE

Mayor Druetzler and Police Chief Jason Kohn swore in Ann Marie Ferris as Probationary Patrolwoman. She introduced her family members and friends.

Mayor Druetzler and Police Chief Jason Kohn swore in Joseph Heinz as Probationary Patrolman. He introduced his family members and friends.

Mayor Druetzler and Police Chief Jason Kohn swore in Jeffrey R. Hochman as Police Sergeant. He introduced his family members and friends.

Mayor Druetzler and Police Chief Jason Kohn swore in Bruce M. Rapp as Police Sergeant. He introduced his family members and friends.

Mayor Druetzler stated that Peter V. Rolph could not be present at tonight's swearing in ceremony due to an emergency, he will be sworn in at a future meeting.

Photographs were taken after each oath was administered and there was commentary provided by Mayor Druetzler as well as those sworn in.

Mayor Druetzler invited everyone to now join us for celebratory refreshments and conversation in the Fire Association room.

Mayor Druetzler stated there would be a break (8:45 p.m. to 9:25 p.m.).

BOY SCOUT INTRODUCTIONS

Mayor Druetzler asked the Scouts to introduce themselves and provide a some information about themselves. They are at this meeting in connection with working toward acquiring merit badges.

GREETINGS OF PUBLIC AND INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION

Mrs. Marie Tonnini, 9 Central Avenue, Morris Plains, commented on the current situation of traffic along Central Avenue for access to the Dog Park, recreational park areas, a shelter, a non-profit mall, party rentals, and for 5K runs, daily sporting events, and weekend tournaments. She believes this roadway usage has increased about 500% in the past several years. She also mentioned various illegal signage that has been installed over the past two years. The signs state "No Through Traffic". She advised the State has told her that these signs were outlawed in the 1950's. She commented on additional signage installed over the years, that there is inadequate access to the park area, the increased traffic, and other problem situations that she and her neighbors have noticed over time.

Continuing, she stated she and her neighbors are requesting for the enactment of the following resolutions: (1) that the "No Through Traffic" signs be removed; (2) the sidewalk be completed up to Central Park or that a cul-de-sac be installed at the end of Central Avenue; (3) a 25 miles per hour sign be painted on the roadway of Central Avenue; (4) that those living on Central Avenue be notified of events that require blocking of roads and that the blocking of roads be done in some uniform kind of way; (5) that proper access to the park be established (via Hanover Avenue, Granniss Avenue or some other route); and (6) concern about the overall safety issues.

Mayor Druetzler stated that the County has committed to installing a roadway from Central Avenue to Hanover Avenue, however the road will not be there for some time.

Mrs. Tonini stated that every time Glenbrook Road is blocked off in the future she will call the Police Department.

Mr. John Tonini, 9 Central Avenue, Morris Plains, asked who owns Central Avenue in Morris Plains.

Druetzler provided information about this roadway.

Mr. Tonini asked who owns Central Avenue from Stiles Avenue up to when it reaches Parsippany. If Morris Plains owns this portion of Central Avenue, why can't the Borough do more to control how it is used and what happens on it. Why can't the Borough block off Central Avenue with access only for emergency vehicles. Taking such action might incentivize the County and the State to move faster on their commitment to build the roadway from Central Avenue to Hanover Avenue.

Mayor Druetzler stated the Borough is working with County and State representatives to get this new roadway built as soon as possible.

Cross discussion about the Central Avenue/Central Park issues as well as related issues and problems, including creating new mandated routes to the park area and Mayor Druetzler's additional commentary about the role of Central Avenue when Greystone was operational and a variety of other related situations and traffic conditions.

Mr. Tonini stated that if this traffic situation continues to exist on Central Avenue, he and his family as well as some neighbors will be strongly influenced to consider moving out of the Borough.

Mr. Kevin Marconi, 58 Stiles Avenue, Morris Plains, provided information about his having lived at this address since 1977. The traffic was no where near what it is now and has been for several years now. There is no comparison between what the situation had been for many years and what is happening now due to the sporting events. Once the new roadway from Central Avenue to Hanover Avenue is installed, what will prevent drivers from continuing to use Central Avenue?

Mayor Druetzler advised that once this new roadway is installed, it will essentially make a cul-de-sac at the end of Central Avenue, although there will continue to be some amount of some additional traffic. He provided personal observation of what he has seen in this area – stating at one point that a recent experience was “horrendous” in connection with traffic, even though the Police were on site with radar and were giving tickets. He also spoke about bonds that will help in constructing the new roadway; they are currently being worked on.

Mr. Marconi advised that since his mother has passed on, he will be listing his house for sale within a few weeks. His realtor told him that the value of the homes in this area have diminished because of the traffic problems caused by Central Park.

Mayor Druetzler countered Mr. Marconi's conclusion that houses will be more difficult to sell well in this area by stating others have said they want to move there to have “a park in their backyard”. However, he did concede that there could be some decrease in the value due to the traffic issues. He stated it is too early to provide a definite timeline for the construction of the new roadway. He is hopeful it would be ready sometime next year – maybe. He is unable to control any such timeline, but remains hopeful it will be sooner rather than later.

Mr. Marconi stated he believes there must be some kind of interim solution to these traffic problems. He will not be living in the area once his house is sold, but he wants to support his current neighbors.

Cross discussion about investigating new ways to deal with the large events held at Central Park that bring in many hundreds of people and participants.

Mr. Mike Ivey, 5 Central Avenue, Morris Plains, thanked the Governing Body for listening to their concerns. He commented on when the Police Officer is at the end of Central Avenue, this is good, but it is not an absolute answer to the problems since it can create other problems and usually also includes the police officer speeding through the street, too. This is a dangerous issue and must be listened to and addressed.

Continued cross discussion about the variety of issues that are causing the problems for residents in this specific area of the Borough, including specific discussion about what the route of the proposed new roadway would be; requests that residents in the affected area be notified in a timely manner about any no parking requirements on Central Avenue (or any other roadway) prior to certain events taking place; traffic safety and concerns; and future road closures.

Mayor Druetzler stated this situation is a very frustrating situation for the Governing Body and the Borough and, of course, for those who live in this area. He thanked those who spoke for their comments, promising to keep residents more informed in the future.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Karr moved:

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

Municipal Court, June 2015
Treasurer, June 2015
Tax Collector, June 2015
Borough Clerk, June 2015
Animal Licensing, June 2015
Building Inspector, June 2015
Animal Control, June 2015
Fire Prevention, June 2015
Sanitarian, June 2015
Police Department, June 2015
Borough Engineer, Quarterly
Borough Attorney, Quarterly

THAT Resolution No 2015-92 entitled, "RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE SALE OF WATER BY THE SOUTHEAST MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY TO THE BOROUGH OF WHARTON," be adopted as attached.

THAT Resolution No 2015-93 entitled, "RESOLUTION AMENDING THE EXISTING "PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL" OF THE BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS WITH AN AMENDMENT TO "RETIREMENT" IN ARTICLE II ENTITLED "EMPLOYMENT," be adopted as attached.

THAT Resolution No 2015-94 entitled, "DORE ART CORPORATION, A.B.C. LICENSE, STATE LICENSE NO. 1423-33-001-003," be adopted as attached.

THAT Resolution No 2015-95 entitled, "WATNONG POST NO. 3401, V.F.W., A.B.C. LICENSE, STATE LICENSE NO. 1423-31-006-002," be adopted as attached.

THAT Resolution No 2015-96 entitled, "JO-LYN LIQUORS, INC. A.B.C. LICENSE, STATE LICENSE NO. 1423-443-003-003," be adopted as attached.

THAT Resolution No 2015-97 entitled, "BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS RESOLUTION OF CONCURRENCE FOR A "NO PASSING ZONE" AT ROUTE 202 AND TO SUBMIT A TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION," be adopted as attached.

THAT Resolution No 2015-98 entitled, "AUTHORIZATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PREPARATION OF A STATEWIDE FAIR SHARE ANALYSIS BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS be adopted as attached and the execution of the Municipal Shared Services Defense Agreement by the Mayor and Borough Clerk is ratified.

THAT Resolution No 2015-99 entitled, "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF THE SERVICES OF SALVATORE POLI AS SUBSTITUTE CONSTRUCTION CODE OFFICIAL AND BUILDING SUBCODE OFFICIAL FOR INSPECTIONS," be adopted as attached.

THAT the services of John Pallotta as Substitute Construction Code Official and Building Subcode Official for Inspections be terminated effective immediately.

THAT Rosanne Denman is hereby designated as Acting Clerk and authorized to witness the execution of documents on behalf of the Borough in the absence of the Borough Clerk effective July 1, 2015.

THAT the 260 Tabor Road Affordable Housing complex shall be known and designated as "Davenport Village.

THAT the Morris Plains Block Dance Committee in conjunction with the Borough of Morris Plains be granted permission to hold a Block Dance at the Speedwell Avenue extension on Saturday, September 5th 2015, from 6:15 P.M. to 9:30 P.M., with a rain date of Sunday, September 6th 2015, and that permission be granted to serve alcoholic beverages and that barricades be provided.

THAT the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to execute the TWA-1, WQM-003 and WQM-006 for 250 Johnson Road, per the Borough Engineer's correspondence of June 23, 2015.

THAT the settlement in the matter entitled "*Shawn G. Hopkins v. Chatham Borough et al.*, Docket No. MRS-L-657-15" be approved on the terms and conditions set forth in the attached Consent Order and the Borough Treasurer and Borough Attorney are authorized to take all steps necessary to effectuate the settlement.

THAT New Jersey Ride Against AIDS benefit be granted permission to bicycle through a portion of the Borough on

September 26, 2015, which route was approved by Police Chief Kohn, and having the Police Department's necessary support.

THAT Michaela Phelon be hired for the Community Park Pool as Lifeguard at an hourly rate of \$8.25, effective July 17th 2015.

THAT Knights of Columbus, Bishop McLaughlin Council, No. 3495 be granted permission to serve alcoholic beverages at a Picnic to be held Tuesday, August 25th 2015, from 4:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M., at Community Park.

THAT the Morris Plains Fire Association be granted permission to serve alcoholic beverages at their Family Picnic to be held Sunday, September 13th 2015, from 11:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M., at Community Park Pool & Park.

THAT the residents of Coursen Way, Mountain Way, Tower Hill Road, Holiday Drive and Stony Brook Drive be granted permission to hold a Block Party on Saturday, September 26, 2015, from 1:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. and that permission to serve alcoholic beverages be granted; and that the Road Department provide the necessary barricades.

THAT Morris Plains Mom's Club be granted permission to serve alcoholic beverages at a Picnic to be held Saturday, July 11th 2015, from 10:00 A.M. to Dusk, at Community Park be confirmed.

THAT Phyllis and Dan Smith, 40 Janeway Place be granted permission to serve alcoholic beverages at their Friends/Family Picnic to be held Wednesday, July 29th 2015, from 3:00 P.M. to Dusk, at Community Park Pavilion.

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 2015.

THAT the residents of Overlook Trail be granted permission to hold a Block Party on Saturday, September 19th, from 4:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. and that permission to serve alcoholic beverages be granted; and that the Road Department provide the necessary barricades

THAT the National Multiple Sclerosis Society be granted permission to bicycle through a portion of the Borough on September 19th and September 20th 2015, as part of its benefit and that the Police Department provide the necessary support.

THAT the Morris County Office of Emergency Management is granted permission to conduct a test of a hydro tech water rescue devise at Thonus Pond at Community Park Pond.

THAT Anthony James Lagalante, 57 Burch Drive, Morris Plains be hired Probationary Laborer in the Department of Public Works at an hourly rate of \$19.09, effective July 20, 2015.

THAT Michael John Billia, 4 Cedar Avenue, Morris Plains be hired Probationary Mechanic in the Department of Public Works at an hourly rate of \$19.09, effective August 3, 2015.

THAT the resignation of Jonathan Donofrio, Laborer for the Department of Public Works be accepted, effective July 31, 2015.

Seconded by Councilmember Cortese.

Mayor Druetzler explained to the Boy Scouts the Consent Calendar. He also stated that the Affordable Housing complex is being named Davenport Village to honor Homer Davenport, a famous cartoonist who lived in Morris Plains many years ago and that he also created the character "Uncle Sam." He provided commentary concerning Homer Davenport, Teddy Roosevelt, the importance of cartoons decades ago, "Uncle Sam," and Mr. Davenport's ability to acquire several Arabian horses which he brought back to Morris Plains. He provided significant information about Mr. Davenport, his life, and his living in Morris Plains.

Yeas: Councilmembers Karr, Cortese, Doherty, Fu, McCluskey
Nays: None
Absent: Councilmember Cecala
Abstain: None

Mayor Druetzler provided the Boy Scouts information about the Borough's governmental format and other related information. Each Councilmember stated his/her name and each provided information concerning the areas they are responsible for.

Mayor Druetzler provided this information for Councilmember Cecala who was absent from this meeting. He also provided information about the roles Rosanne Denman and June Uhrin serve in on behalf of the Borough.

Mr. Leon Hall provided information for the Boy Scouts as to his role on behalf of the Borough.

Police Chief Jason Kohn provided information for the Boy Scouts as to his role as the Police Chief for the Borough.

GREETINGS OF PUBLIC AND INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION

Mayor Druetzler opened this portion of the meeting to comments from the public. Hearing no one, he closed this meeting to the public.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND/OR DEPARTMENT HEADS

Finance

Councilmember Karr welcomed his mother to the meeting.

Councilmember Karr reported that all tax bills are in the mail and that there will not be a need to extend the tax payment due date.

Councilmember Karr reported that the Library's Petting Zoo was very well received with over 200 people attending and with more than 260 pounds of food donated to the food pantry.

Public Safety

Councilmember McCluskey reported that last week there were three graduates of the Tri-Morris Junior Police Academy – Dan Rubatto, Charlotte Rubatto and Rebecca Snyder.

Councilmember McCluskey provided updates on several other projects; the painting of the "Don't Block the Box" striping in front of Chase Bank; office space changes in the Borough Annex between the Fire Department and the Building Department; the groundbreaking ceremony at the

affordable housing site, Davenport Village; and the MCMUA's forgiving of all fees.

Police Chief Kohn reported that the “Don’t Block the Box” area will be monitored and enforced as required. There is signage indicating there will be a \$54 ticket for such blocking. He advised that the Morris County Office of Emergency Management (MCOEM) will not be conducting testing at Thonus Pond at Community Park; it will be done elsewhere. He updated on Police Department activities and training.

Mayor Druetzler commented on why the “Don’t block the Box” ticket amount is \$54 – it is an odd number and the Police Department wants people to be more likely to remember it.

Public Works

In the absence of Councilmember Cecala, there was no report.

Public Buildings & Grounds

Councilmember Fu reported stated that the Recreation Commission will be pleased that their new Commissioner was appointed. Summer Camp is progressing well. There will be two more Summer Concert Series concerts. The high school students will be performing on Friday evening. The Splash Party is this Saturday evening and is open to all Borough residents. Family Day was a great success and thanks go to Recreation Commissioners, Fire Department, Police Department, Department of Public Works, and Councilmember Cecala. The Summer Theater Camp production will take place on Thursday and Friday evenings, July 30 and July 31.

Councilmember Fu reported that a total of 132 trees were planted throughout the Borough as a result of the Shade Tree Commission’s grant. She thanked the DPW staff for the assistance provided by watering the trees and moving some of the trees that residents requested be moved.

Councilmember Fu reported that the generator is now installed at Borough Hall; the “switch-over” will take place on Wednesday, July 22nd 2015. She updated on the Sustainable New Jersey certification application.

Public Welfare, Sanitation & Sewers

Councilmember Doherty reported that work continues by the Board of Health on the proposed cat ordinance and a vending machine ordinance. Municipal Alliance will hold a band concert at Roberts Garden this Friday. The Teen Center is quite quiet right now.

Councilmember Doherty reported on a problem that is occurring regarding SLAP manning the center every other Saturday, but this has not been happening lately. The committee is discussing a possible solution to engage volunteer organizations to help.

Ordinance & Public Utilities

Councilmember Cortese reported on efforts by the Borough Annex/Building Department to close as many as possible of the currently open building permits.

PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATION, PETITIONS, ETC.

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

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2015 - 15

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A PARKING AND DRIVEWAY EASEMENT WITHIN LAKEVIEW DRIVE, AN UNIMPROVED RIGHT OF WAY, TO STEPHEN S WELSH AND CLAUDIA WELSH, RELATING TO THE USE AND OCCUPANCY OF PREMISES LOCATED AT BLOCK 72.07, LOT 20, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 2 SYLVAN DRIVE

Councilmember Karr seconded the motion.

Mayor Druetzler provided commentary on the details of this Ordinance.

Yeas: Councilmembers Karr, Cortese, Doherty, Fu, McCluskey
Nays: None
Absent: Councilmember Cecala
Abstain: None

Thereupon, Councilmember Cortese offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the above ordinance was introduced and read by title at this meeting on July 16th 2015 and passed on First Reading.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that at a meeting to be held on August 20th 2015 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 therefor, 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 Fu seconded the resolution. Voice vote. All in favor.

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

ORDINANCE NO.16-2015

AN ORDINANCE MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$70,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SALT SHED AT THE ROAD DEPARTMENT GARAGE TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Councilmember Karr seconded the motion.

Mayor Druetzler provided commentary on why this additional salt shed is needed by the Borough's DPW.

Yeas: Councilmembers Karr, Cortese, Doherty, Fu, McCluskey
Nays: None
Absent: Councilmember Cecala
Abstain: None

Thereupon, Councilmember Cortese offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the above ordinance was introduced and read by title at this meeting on July 16th 2015 and passed on First Reading.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that at a meeting to be held on June 11th 2015 at 6:00 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 therefor, 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 Fu seconded the resolution. Voice vote. All in favor.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

Councilmember Cortese read by title the ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO.13-2015

AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE, RELEASE AND EXTINGUISH ANY AND ALL PUBLIC RIGHTS IN AND TO THE CUL-DE-SAC PORTION OF THE BUCKLEY WAY ON BLOCK 23, LOT 1

which ordinance was introduced and passed on First Reading at a meeting held on June 11th 2015.

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, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey held on June 11th 2015, 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 16th 2015 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 Cortese read the following notice and ordinance by title and stated that the Notice and Ordinance has been published as required by law that the ordinance has 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.

Mayor Druetzler explained that this ordinance refers to a proposed cul-de-sac which is behind Bretton Woods. However, the cul-de-sac was never built and now that Bretton Woods is being sold this issue must be addressed by vacation of the Buckley Way cul-de-sac.

Mayor Druetzler asked if anyone wished to address the Governing Body. Seeing no one, he closed the public hearing.

Thereupon Councilmember Cortese offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, that the above ordinance as read by title on Second Reading, at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

Councilmember McCluskey seconded the motion.

Yeas: Councilmembers Karr, Cortese, Doherty, Fu, McCluskey
Nays: None
Absent: Councilmember Cecala
Abstain: None

Mayor Druetzler declared the ordinance adopted and finally passed, approved the same and ordered the Clerk to publish the proper notice thereof in the newspaper and to record the ordinance in the proper place. He also provided an explanation for this ordinance so that the Boy Scouts in attendance understood what was being done.

Councilmember Cortese read by title the ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 14-2015

BOND ORDINANCE MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$2,500,000 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH HERETOFORE AUTHORIZED TO BE TAKEN BY THE BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,375,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING SUCH SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION.

which ordinance was introduced and passed on First Reading at a meeting held on June 18th 2015.

The Clerk read the following notice:

The Bond Ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was introduced and passed upon first Reading at a meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Morris Plains in the County of Morris, New Jersey, on June 18th 2015. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the Governing Body to be held at the Municipal Building in said Borough on July 16th 2015 at 8:30 o'clock P.M. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting copies of the full Ordinance will be available at no cost during regular business hours at the Clerk's Office in the Municipal Building for the members of the general public who shall request the same.

Councilmember Cortese read the following notice and ordinance by title and stated that the Notice and Ordinance has been published as required by law that the ordinance has 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. He explained that whenever the Borough spends funds for capital improvements an Ordinance is prepared and the public is able to decide if the Ordinance is a good action for the Borough to take.

Mayor Druetzler asked if anyone wished to address the Governing Body. Seeing no one, he closed this public hearing.

Thereupon Councilmember Cortese offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, that the above ordinance as read by title on Second Reading, at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

Councilmember Karr seconded the motion.

Yeas: Councilmembers Karr, Cortese, Doherty, Fu, McCluskey
None: None
Absent: Councilmember Cecala Abstain: None

Mayor Druetzler declared the ordinance adopted and finally passed, approved the same and ordered the Clerk to publish the proper notice thereof in the newspaper and to record the ordinance in the proper place.

RESOLUTIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

VOUCHERS

Councilmember Karr moved the approval of the vouchers for July 16th 2015 in the amount of \$2,115,379.89.

Seconded by Councilmember Doherty

Yeas: Councilmembers Karr, Cortese, Doherty, Fu, McCluskey
None: None
Absent: Councilmember Cecala
Abstain: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

Mayor Druetzler asked the Boy Scouts if they would like to ask any questions or had any comments or suggestions they might like to make.

The Boy Scouts did not.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Karr moved that the Regular Meeting be adjourned at 11:00 PM.

Seconded by Councilmember McCluskey.

Frank J. Druetzler, Mayor

June Uhrin, Borough Clerk

Recorded by Rosanne Denman, Acting Clerk