

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Borough Council held November 24<sup>th</sup> 2015, at 7:33 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, 531 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains, New Jersey.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER**

Mayor 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 THE CLERK OF THIS BOROUGH BY PREPARING A NOTICE DATED November 16<sup>th</sup> 2015 SPECIFYING THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE OF THIS MEETING; POSTING SUCH NOTICE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING; FORWARDING THE NOTICE MORRIS COUNTY'S *DAILY RECORD* AND THE *MORRIS NEWS BEE*; AND FORWARDING, BY MAIL, THE SAID NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS ON THE REQUEST LIST; AND I HEREBY HAND A COPY OF SUCH NOTICE TO THE CLERK OF THE BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS FOR INCLUSION IN THE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING, ALL OF THE ABOVE ACTIONS BEING IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, *ET SEQ.*

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF MORRIS PLAINS SHALL HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING AT 7:30 PM ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24<sup>th</sup> 2015, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BOROUGH HALL, 531 SPEEDWELL AVENUE, MORRIS PLAINS, NEW JERSEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING LEGAL MATTERS AND ANY OTHER MATTERS WHICH MAY COME BEFORE THE GOVERNING BODY.

Present on Roll Call:

Mayor Frank J. Druetzler  
Councilmembers: Jason C. Karr  
Joseph Cecala, Jr.  
Salvatore Cortese  
John Doherty  
Laurie J. Fu  
Suzanne B. McCluskey

Absent: None

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilmember Karr moved:

***BE IT RESOLVED THAT*** the minutes of the Executive, Conference & Regular Meeting of November 12<sup>th</sup> 2015 be approved.

Seconded by Councilmember McCluskey. So ordered.

Voice vote. All in favor.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Moved by Councilmember McCluskey:

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Resolution No. 2015-150 entitled “Executive Session” be adopted.

Seconded by Councilmember Doherty. So ordered.

Councilmember Karr moved that the Executive Session be adjourned.

Seconded by Councilmember Cortese.

#### **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**

Police Department, October 2015  
Municipal Court, October 2015

*THAT* Resolution No. 2015-151 entitled, “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF THE SERVICES OF STEPHEN R. CHRISTOPHER AS SUBSTITUTE BUILDING SUBCODE OFFICIAL FOR INSPECTIONS,” be adopted as attached.

*THAT* the Borough Council approve the membership application of Nicholas A. Summa, 48 Maple Avenue, Morris Plains, NJ, as a member of the Morris Plains Fire Department.

*THAT* the Mayor and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to execute the Developer’s Agreement with CSH Morris Plains, LLC in connection with the development of Block 23, Lot 1, 361 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains in the form approved by the Borough Attorney.

*THAT* the Borough Council authorize the release and return of the Performance Surety Bond No. CMS0265076 to Quick Chek per the Borough Engineer’s correspondence dated November 23, 2015.

*THAT* the Borough Council authorize the purchase of a warranty program for lighting at the Ron Brown and Little League fields in the amount of \$10,000. from Musco Lighting.

*THAT* the Borough Council authorize the purchase, implementation and training of MobileEyes software from TradeMaster, Inc. for the Morris Plains Fire Prevention Bureau in the amount of \$6,863.00 which is the sole developer and distributor of MobileEyes used by the County of Morris.

*THAT* Leo Mulligan, Master Operator in the Department of Public Works be granted an hourly increase of \$.07, effective November 1<sup>st</sup> 2015.

*THAT* the Borough Council approve the Donated Leave of twenty one (21) sick hours by Sigal Rice, Secretary to Brian Gates, DPW.

*THAT* the Borough Council approve the Donated Leave of sixteen (16) sick hours by Benjamin Signorelli, Assistant Superintendent to Brian Gates, DPW.

*THAT* the Borough Council approve the Donated Leave of forty (40) sick hours by Kevin Rongo, DPW Senior Operator to Brian Gates, DPW.

Seconded by Councilmember McCluskey.

Yeas: Councilmembers Karr, Cecala, Cortese, Doherty, Fu, McCluskey

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

### **GREETINGS OF PUBLIC AND INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION**

Mayor Druetzler opened this portion of the meeting to comments from the public.

Mayor Druetzler stated that due to a tie vote on a Board of Education vacancy position that the Borough will need to hold a Special Election. The Special Election will incur addition costs to the Borough.

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND/OR DEPARTMENT HEADS**

#### **Finance**

Councilmember Karr had no report as Mayor Druetzler voiced the Board of Education Special Election.

#### **Public Safety**

Councilmember McCluskey reported that the Municipal Court will be amending bail procedures effective January 2016

Councilmember McCluskey reported that a Boy Scout has completed his Eagle Scout project of mapping every fire hydrant in the Borough.

#### **Public Works**

Councilmember Cecala had no report.

#### **Public Buildings & Grounds**

Councilmember Fu had no report

#### **Public Welfare, Sanitation & Sewers**

Councilmember Doherty reported and then shared the cost of the Borough changing to a weekly recycling pickup. Discussion will continue at the next Council Meeting.

#### **Ordinance & Public Utilities**

Councilmember Cortese had no report.

### **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**

None

**ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING**

None

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Hiring Jacob Kiener to the Morris Plains DPW**

Councilmember Cecala moved that Resolution No. 2015-152 entitled,

*THAT* Jacob Kiener, 298 Lakeview Drive, Newton, be hired Mechanic in the Department of Public Works at an hourly rate of \$19.09, effective December 14<sup>th</sup> 2015.

Seconded by Councilmember McCluskey.

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**VOUCHERS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember McCluskey moved that the Special Meeting be adjourned at 9:35 PM

Seconded by Councilmember Cortese.

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Frank J. Druetzler, Mayor

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June Uhrin, Borough Clerk