

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING, THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2008 AT 7:30 P.M. OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AT BOROUGH HALL

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT.

BOROUGH CLERK: Ladies and gentlemen this meeting is being held in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey. Adequate notice of this meeting was provided by forwarding a Sunshine notice which included the time, date and location of this public meeting of the Mayor and Council.

ROLL CALL:

Council members: Councilman Bianci, Councilman Di Blasi, Councilman Ferriero, Councilman Granell , Councilman Hughes, Councilman Tanelli

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Peter C. Massa, Terence M. Wall, Acting Borough Clerk, Anthony D'elia, Borough Attorney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

PAUL COSTO, 115 Bergen Ave. Flooding of dead-end street

RICHARD SACONE, 73 Forest Street. Concerning the water basins on the streets.

NO OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS

MOTION TO CLOSE THE HEARING OF CITIZENS

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Hughes

SECONDED BY: Councilman Ferriero

ROLL CALL: All council present, vote in the affirmative

DISCUSSION

Ridge Road Streetscape II

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE MINUTES DECEMBER 20, 2007

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Tanelli

SECONDED BY: Councilman Di Blasi

ROLL CALL: Council present, vote in the affirmative

ABSTAINED: Councilman Bianchi, and Councilman Hughes

RESOLUTIONS

R-15-08 RESO RE: ACCEPTANCE OF TOWING COMPANIES FOR USE BY THE BOROUGH OF NORTH ARLINGTON FOR THE YEAR 2008

R-16-08 RESO RE: REFUND OF TAX MONEY TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

R-17-08 RESO RE: REFUND OF MONIES DUE TO OVER PAYMENT

R-18-08 RESO RE: REFUND OF TAX MONEY SENIOR CITIZEN

R-19-08 RESO RE: OFF PREMISE 3 MONTH CALENDAR RAFFLE QUEEN OF PEACE CHURCH

R-20-08 RESO RE: AUTHORIZING THE ACTING BOROUGH CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS PHASE II CANTERBURY AVE

R-21-08 RESO RE: CROSSING GUARD RESIGNATION

R-22-08 RESO RE: CROSSING GUARD RESIGNATION

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Tanelli
SECONDED BY: Councilman Ferriero
ROLL CALL: All council present, votes in the affirmative

RESOLUTIONS NOT ON CONSENT

R-24-08 RESO RE: APPROVAL OF PURCHASES OVER \$1,000.00

INTRODUCEE BY: Councilman Di Blasi
SECONDED BY: Councilman Granell
ROLL CALL: All council present, vote in the affirmative

R-25-08 RESO RE: AUTHORIZATION TO PAY CLAIMS

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Granell
SECONDED BY: Councilman Bianchi
ROLL CALL: All council present, vote in the affirmative

R-23-08 RESO RE: ENCAP LITIGATION

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Ferriero
SECONDED BY: Councilman Granell
ROLL CALL: Council present, vote in the affirmative
ABSTAINED: Councilman Di Blasi

ANTHONY D'ELIA: I will read the resolution in full regarding ENCAP. Explain litigation

MAYOR MASSA: Possibility that litigation could be settled. So there a possibility of that we may not have to go an entire route and expend this amount of money for this litigation, should a settlement agreement or other unforeseeable issue come about favorable to the Borough of North Arlington.

***R-26-08 RESO RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION (REMOVED AND REPLACED WITH)**

***R-26-08 RESO. RE: PURCHASE OF MDT (MOBILE DATA TERMINALS)**

TERENCE WALL: Spoke with auditor Judy regarding funding availability.

CHIEF GHIONE: The purpose of the MDT's inaudible they are mobile display terminals that are assigned to cars during the tour.

MAYOR MASSA: Thank you Chief. Governing Body taking action for this tonight

COUNCILMAN BIANCHI: I would like to say where we are located between New York, Jersey City, Newark, and Paterson. I think that it's warranted, very warranted, especially with Passaic and Paterson, and Newark.

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Di Blasi
SECONDED BY: Councilman Bianchi
ROLL CALL: All council present, vote in the affirmative

COUNCIL REPORTS

COUNCILMAN BIANCHI – Curbside planters

COUNCILMAN DI BLASI – DPW report, picking up leaves daily due to the warm weather, ordered an additional two hundred and fifty tons of salt, still replacing faded street signs, repaired several sinkholes in the street, and they have the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission clean several of the sewer lines. They also assisted Lyndhurst with the sewer jobs, they started repairing some of the potholes, and removal of several dead animals and debris picked up. They had some road kill in town. That is all I have to report Mr. Mayor.

COUNCILMAN FERRIERO – So far as the Veteran’s report, I am very unhappy to report that we lost six of our soldiers yesterday. The worst killing in the past two months in Iraq. . On a happier note, I see that one of our employees, Walter Morgan, his son Craig Morgan is in the Marines, and is promoted to Private First Class.

COUNCILMAN GRANELL – Health Dept. sponsoring the “Strengthening Families” program. Allan Park, Corsi House and North Arlington Girls Softball League

COUNCILMAN HUGHES – Hybrid vehicles.

COUNCILMAN TANELLI – In public safety, the police department was awarded a thirty five hundred dollar grant, under the 2007 State Body Armor Replacement Fund Program. Still on-going negotiation with the PBA. We were awarded a hundred thousand dollars Map Grant from the Meadowlands Commission, which I urged the Mayor and Council to use to purchase a new ambulance. A three thousand dollar grant from the State Department of Environmental Protection for trees. I would like to report that the DOT has given us a grant for one hundred fifty thousand dollars to finish Canterbury Ave. Phase II

MAYOR MASSA – Making appointments for the standing committees for 2008 calendar year.

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION:

R-27-08 RESO RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmen Granell
SECONDED BY: Councilmen Hughes
ADJOURNMENT: All council present, vote in the affirmative

MOTION TO ADJOURN

INTRODUCED BY:
SECONDED BY:
ROLL CALL:

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