

Public Meeting
March 21st, 2016

Meeting was opened by T. Branella at 6:00pm. Those present were J. McCleary, G. Gilbert, J. Meehan, and M. Mevoli. J. Granstrom and P. MacAdams was absent. The Solicitor was Timothy Higgins, Esq..

This Meeting was advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and complies with all the laws therein.

Reading and Approval of Minutes of February 22nd, 2016:

Motion – G. Gilbert
2nd – J. McCleary
M. Mevoli - Abstained
All In Favor: Carried.

Committee Reports:

Motion – J. McCleary
2nd – G. Gilbert
All in Favor: Carried.

Mayor Branella Swore in Brian Schules to Class II Special Police Officer.

Mayor Branella Swore in Michael Brewster to Police Officer.

Mayor Branella Swore in Police Officer John Sires III to Police Investigator.

Open to the Public:

Nothing Noted from the Public.

Engineers Report from Greg Fusco, Kei Engineering:

Item #1: The CDBG Year 38 applications are due on March 22, 2016. The borough is going to use the money to continue the sidewalk restoration and renovation of newly purchased borough homes. The Documents will be hand delivered tomorrow.

Item #4: The Railroad Quiet Zone along Horton and Town Center is still being researched. It appears that the process will be more difficult than initially thought, as the River Road Grade Crossing in Westville will have to be improved and included in the quiet zone. The clerk reached out to Westville and they agreed to allow us to determine if it's viable within our budget.

Item #5: Construction of Curb Ramp plan will be created over the coming months.

Item #12: Construction of Waterfront Park Sidewalk will begin in early April. The contractor has been delayed because of weather.

Item #20: The office has put out RFQ's for the repairs of the rear wall of the public works salt building. We received one quote. We recommend to award the contract to M.D. Remodeling, LLC for \$23,616.60. The contract was awarded and will begin work in the spring. The work should begin in first week of April.

Greg Fusco thanked everyone for the time.

Old Business

Ordinance:

3-16 COLA Ordinance Second Reading
Public Hearing – Nothing Noted from Public.
Motion – G. Gilbert
2nd – M. Mevoli
All in Favor: Carried.

New Business

Ordinances:

4-16 Salary Ordinance
5-16 Amending Chapter 141 - Vehicles and Traffic
6-16 Amending Chapter 118 – Sewer
7-16 Amending Chapter 145 - Water
First Reading
Motion – M. Mevoli
2nd – J. McCleary
All in Favor: Carried.

Budget:

Introduction of 2016 Municipal Budget

The clerk told the governing body that the budget is completed and there is a 2 cent increase which equates to \$27.48 for a house assessed at \$137,000 for the year. He explains that we can do a zero increase, but the 2 cent increase is generating approximately \$26,000 and is being applied to short term debt.

Motion – J. Meehan
2nd – J. McCleary
Roll Call: Gilbert, McCleary, Meehan, and Mevoli voted YES.
Absent – MacAdams and Granstrom.

Resolutions:

74-16 Approval of Borough Home 2016-2017 Rental Increase
75-16 Approval of Brooklawn Home Credit for Heater Contracts
76-16 Authorizing Cancellation of Property Taxes

- # 77-16 Application of Bingo License for Rotary Club of Woodbury
- # 78-16 Authorizing Tax Assessor to Initiate a Reassessment of Real Property
- # 79-16 Authorize Submission of Application for Recreation Facility Enhancement
Funding – Round 17

Motion – J. Meehan
2nd – J. McCleary
All in Favor: Carried.

Approval of payment of bills: \$ 231,670.73

Motion – J. Meehan
2nd – M. Mevoli
All in favor: Carried.

Open to Council:

G. Gilbert said borough homes have all been rented out. We are still in the process of renovating our new property at 405 Paris Avenue.

M. Mevoli thanked everyone for their support as he is recovering from heart surgery. He is two weeks removed from open heart surgery. He also reminded everyone about the Easter Egg hunt on March 26th.

J. McCleary reminded everyone about the 3rd Annual ALS 5K on April 9th. She invites everyone to come out and enjoy the event. She said we are also hosting a Great Gatsby Gala at the Community Center at 7:30pm. The proceeds will also benefit ALS Hope Foundation.

Mayor Branella said she attended the Grand Opening of Hair Cuttery and Petco over the last month. She tells everyone to check them out because they both have a lot to offer.

Motion to Adjourn – J. McCleary

2nd – G. Gilbert
All in favor: Adjourned.

Ryan Giles
Borough Clerk