

Public Meeting
April 2nd, 2014

Meeting was opened by Theresa Branella at 6:00pm. Those present were J. McCleary, P. MacAdams, and M. Mevoli. Absent were J. Meehan, J. Granstrom, and G. Gilbert. 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.

Committee Reports:

Motion – J. McCleary
2nd – P. MacAdams
All in favor: Carried.

Engineer's Report: By Greg Fusco, Kei Engineering

Item #1: Open Space Round 15 Application for pedestrian improvements along Timber Boulevard was due on March 31st. The application was submitted and the resolution will be sent as soon as council passes it.

Item #3, 4, 5: Year 34, 35, & 36 CDBG money will be used for sidewalk replacement throughout the borough. We are waiting for DOT grant announcement before going out to bid on the project.

Item #7: The railroad crossing project is ready to go this spring. We are still waiting for Conrail to finish their Engineering work before the project can begin.

Item #9: The DOT is to announce their street project within the next few months. If we are awarded the street improvement along Community Road, we can bid our sidewalk project within the DOT grant.

Item #12: The replacement of fire house roof is nearing completion. They will move on to the water plant roof over the next two weeks. The municipal building roof will cost approximately 15,000 to do all the work needed to fix the ongoing problems/leaks. Council agreed to table the work until the next meeting.

Item #13: USDA project application is fully completed. Hope to hear about the loan within the next month.

There are two upcoming grant applications that may help the borough. They are 2014 NJDOT Transportation Alternatives Program (Tap) and 2014 NJDOT Safe Routes to Schools Program (SRTS). We are looking to see if the grant criteria is applicable to the borough. He said we will have more information at the next meeting.

Open to Public:

Nothing Noted from Public.

Old Business:

Ordinance:

- # 1-14 Adding Chapter 56 - Animals
 - Second Reading
 - Public Hearing – Nothing Noted from Public.
 - Motion – J. McCleary
 - 2nd – P. MacAdams
 - All in Favor: Carried.

New Business:

Resolutions:

- # 77-14 Appointment of DPW Employee – Alex Ortiz
- # 78-14 Appointment of DPW Employee – Ian Betham
- # 79-14 Authorize Submission of Open Space Application for Pedestrian Path and Playground Improvements – Round 15
- # 80-14 Authorize Participation in Safe and Secure Grant
 - Motion – P. MacAdams
 - 2nd – J. McCleary
 - All in Favor: Carried.

Open to Council:

Mayor Branella wants everyone to review the project list for the next work session. She wants to see what projects need to be added and if any need to be revisited. She asked for a moment of silence for Tom MacAdams, who passed away on March 29th. She asked the clerk to have a proclamation for Tom MacAdams and Pop Barth for the next meeting.

J. McCleary reminded everyone about the Tom MacAdams and Eileen Vitola 5K Run for ALS on April 12th, 2014. We raised over \$20,000 for ALS. She thanked everyone for their donations and volunteer work for this event.

M. Mevoli asked the clerk to get the Easter flyer out to the school by next week. He also asked the clerk to order the Easter eggs for the Easter egg hunt to be held on April 19th.

P. MacAdams informed everyone that EMS will be purchasing a vehicle to transport equipment when the ambulance is not needed. This will save the usage of the ambulance, which is not in the best shape.

The clerk informed everyone to make a decision on the salaries for the part time workers. The governing body decided to raise everyone, outside of the governing body, two (2) percent on their salary.

The clerk announced that the new website is live. There is work that needs to be done but is pleased with the overall scope of the work.

The clerk gave a synopsis of the exit conference for the 2013 Audit. There was one finding, but the fix will be completed by the CFO. Issues remain for future budgets and wants everyone to come prepared with ideas in the next work session. One idea is to sell

off some fixed assets. The clerk asked all department heads to submit a list of items to sell on an online auction site called GovDeals.

Motion to Adjourn – P. MacAdams

2nd – J. McCleary

All in favor: Adjourned.

Ryan Giles

Borough Clerk