

Public Meeting
August 21st, 2017

Meeting was opened by T. Branella at 6:30pm. Those present were J. McCleary, J. Granstrom, M. Mevoli, and P. McConnell. G. Gilbert and P. Moses were 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 July 17th, 2017:

Motion – M. Mevoli
2nd – P. McConnell
All In Favor: Carried.

Committee Reports:

Motion – M. Mevoli
2nd – J. Granstrom
All in Favor: Carried.

Open to the Public:

Stephanie Hazelton-Shepard, 501 Paris Avenue, talked about her husbands' work vehicle in Brooklawn. She says they have only one car and when he leaves, she needs her car because she is disabled. She reached out to many of her neighbors and they signed a petition that gave permission for them to park the vehicle. The vehicle in question was a big 28 ton truck. M. Mevoli said that the committee has met and is granting the request to park on the municipal lot by our Public Works pole barn. He also explained the procedure Public Work plow the streets during winter storms. The location of the vehicle near the pole barn would allow the vehicle to get out during a storm. She thanked the governing body for their permission.

Engineers Report from Greg Evans, Kei Engineering:

Item #1: We did not receive a grant award for 2017 Municipal Aid for Streets and Roads, but recommend that we reapply for 6th Street in 2018. The clerk informed the engineers that he will begin the application process.

Item #13: The USDA project for water will begin in September. The preconstruction meeting was conducted on August 15, 2017. Shop drawings have been submitted for review and approval. The contractor would like to begin September 11th, 2017.

He thanked everyone for their time.

Old Business

Ordinance:

17-17 Amending Chapter 130 – Taxation

Second Reading
Public Hearing – Nothing Noted from Public
Motion – J. McCleary
2nd – J. Granstrom
All in Favor: Carried.

New Business

Resolutions:

- # 114A-17 Authorizing Municipal Liens
 - # 115-17 Authorization to Execute Agreement with Camden County for CDBG
 - # 116-17 Authorize Bingo and Raffle License for Naz Regalbuto Scholarship Foundation
 - # 117-17 Acceptance of Resignation of Denise Strehle
 - # 118-17 Authorization to Execute Agreement with Camden County for Municipal Alliance
 - # 119-17 Support the “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” for 2017 Statewide Crackdown
 - # 120-17 Award Contract for Aerial Bucket Truck to Dehart & Sons for \$53,887.00
 - # 121-17 Authorize a Chapter 159 “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” Grant for \$5,500
 - # 122-17 Authorize a Chapter 159 NJ Prevention Network Grant for \$3,000
 - # 123-17 Authorize Bingo License for Camden Rotary Foundation
- Motion – M. Mevoli
2nd – J. Granstrom
All in Favor: Carried.

Approval of payment of bills: \$ 652,262.26

Motion – M. Mevoli
2nd – P/ McConnell
All in Favor: Carried.

Open to Council:

M. Mevoli said they are continuing talks with the police about their contract. The wiffleball tournament was a great event. He said it was nice to see the tradition is continuing. He thanks the MacAdams for all their work at the event.

J. Granstrom spoke about how terrible the contractors are along the route 130 project. The clerk said the project contractor is South State. J. Granstrom asked that a letter needs to be written to share our disgust we have with how this project is being run. He asked the letter be sent to the paper and the state. He feels that if they cleaned the streets every couple of days, it may look better during the whole project. The mayor agreed and asked the clerk to write the letter.

J. McCleary talked briefly about a skunk problem we have around town. The mayor says she has a number that people may contact in order to get rid of the skunks. She reiterates that the removal of skunks is a property owner’s responsibility. J. McCleary also reminded everyone that the MacAdams and Vitola 5K will be held on October 21st.

Mayor Branella asked D. Domico to get the “Don’t Block the Box” sign and have Broadway boxed off. She gave an update of the Brooklawn fall festival on October 21st. Mayor Branella also wants council to get back to the pending project list.

Motion to Adjourn – J. Granstrom
2nd – P. McConnell
All in Favor: Adjourned.

Ryan Giles
Borough Clerk