

Township of South Hackensack
County of Bergen, New Jersey
July 6, 2006 7:30 P.M.
Worksession Meeting
MINUTES

Robyn Scholz, MayorPresent
Lucindo A. LoPiccolo, Jr., Deputy Mayor.....Present
James AnzevinoPresent
Gary BruggerPresent
Walter Eckel, Jr.....Absent

Also present:
David V. Nasta, Esq., Municipal Attorney
Linda LoPiccolo, Municipal Clerk
Walter Tretiak, PE, Boswell Engineering
Joseph Terraccino,

Call of Meeting to Order

Mayor Scholz called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. She advised that pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act adequate notice of the meetings had been provided to The Record, The Herald and News and by posting a notice on the bulletin board in the clerk's office where notices are customarily posted. Everyone saluted the flag. The municipal clerk called the role.

Correspondence

Michael Frew, Police Chief – Requesting that the township apply for a permit for the use of Veterans Park during summer recreation. Mayor Scholz advised that a permit has been received by Recreation.

Michael Frew, Police Chief – Recommendation to hire Anna Tortora to fill vacant full time crossing guard position. Brugger motioned; LoPiccolo seconded to accept the recommendation of Chief Frew. All in favor.

Michael Frew, Police Chief – Recommendation to appoint Maria Regan and Anna Lomicky as crossing guards for summer recreation program. Scholz motioned; Anzevino seconded to approve the recommendation to hire crossing guards for 2 hours per day each at a rate of \$10.00 per hour. All in favor.

John L. Schettino, Esq., Planning Board Attorney – Re: Ordinances 2006-04(a) and 2006-13. The committee discussed the correspondence and will set up a meeting with the planner to discuss the zoning ordinance.

Old Business

Block 45.01 Lots 7.01, 7.02, and 7.03 (Hoffman Street) – Agreement for services with City of Hackensack. Mr. Nasta advised that he has not yet been in contact with representatives of the City of Hackensack regarding this matter.

Veterans Park – Lighting (grant funds) Brugger discussed with the committee the sub-committees recommendation regarding lighting in Veterans Park. The committee will approve the lighting package with PSE&G at the July 13, 2006 meeting.

HVAC – Bid Results and recommendation from Boswell Engineering. Walter Tretiak advised the committee that a meeting has been scheduled for Friday, July 7th with the apparent low bidder to discuss their understanding of the bid prior to Boswell's recommendation of award. If a recommendation is submitted by Boswell by next week's meeting, the committee shall award by resolution at that time.

Police Vehicles – memo from Chief Frew dated July 23, 2006. The committee advised the clerk to prepare a resolution authorizing the purchase of one marked police vehicle under state contract from Winner Ford. Captain Terraccino was to inquire as to the deadline for the purchase of an unmarked Caravan under state contract from Heterich prior to its approval.

77 Franklin Street – Site Survey Received. Jim Anzevino advised that he and Committee Member Eckel will meet with Walter Tretiak, P.E., Boswell Engineering before next meeting to review the item list prepared by Boswell Engineering and discuss renovations to the site and building.

DPW Sewer Jet – Bids Received June 27, 2006. The Committee discussed sharing the vehicle with a surrounding municipality. The clerk indicated that she would inquire of all Bergen County municipal clerks. Mr. Nasta would follow up with a telephone call to nearby municipalities.

NJMC Grant - \$100,000

The following were suggestions made by the Committee that could be charge to the grant: new police vehicle, possibly 2; summer recreation.

Block 22 Lot 2 (Clausen Street) Tabled until July 6, 2006 at June 1, 2006 meeting. No report from attorney

COAH – Municipality required designating a municipal employee as its Housing Officer, and an administrative agent to administer affordable housing units. Clerk to obtain more information regarding the positions/appointments.

Municipal Court – Transaction Window

The clerk presented the committee with two quotes for a transaction window for the municipal court. The committee discussed the need for the court room door to remain closed during regular business hours to ensure the safety of the court administrator.

Green Street Resurfacing – Change Order & Final

The clerk advised that the resolution to approve the change order and pay certificate would be on the agenda for July 13, 2006.

Teterboro Drainage

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the continuing drainage problem in the vicinity of Green Street. Several members indicated that some debris had been removed from the pipe in Teterboro. It was reported that items are stuck in the pipe and Teterboro officials are continuing their effort to have the pipe cleaned. The ditch cleaning is still pending DEP permit approval. Anzevino suggested coordinating with several agencies to move the process along so that the flooding can be alleviated.

New Business

Bergen County Auction – Vehicles and Heavy Equipment

The clerk was authorized to prepare a resolution for next meeting to auction a DPW vehicle at the Bergen County Auction to be held August 5, 2006. The police department has been asked to submit a list of vehicles that could also be auctioned, either in August or later in the year.

Ordinances

No ordinances were introduced or adopted

Resolutions

Appointment of Recreation Counselors – Summer Recreation Program

Anzevino motioned; Brugger seconded to authorize the hire of part time summer recreation employees in accordance with the list submitted that shall be formally ratified by resolution at meeting to be held on July 13, 2006. All in favor.

Committee Reports

James Anzevino – Instructed the clerk to continue to list “shade tree ordinance” under old business until an ordinance is introduced by the committee. He indicated that he was very upset discover a fire works display in the park that had not been discovered by the police or removed from the park. He was very concerned about the apparent lack of enforcement over the Independence Day holiday.

Gary Brugger – Advised that the police overtime is a major concern of his and the committees’ He was happy to report that the overtime has been reduced to the lowest all year. Captain Terraccino has been working the schedule and reported that the hiring of

dispatchers has helped out tremendously. He reported speaking with DPW Assistant Superintendent about the tree that was recently purchased and the rock that was ordered to cover the water meter in the park. Neither item has been installed and asked that Mr. Yannetti inquire about both of them and report back. There was a discussion regarding the removal of stumps throughout the township. It was suggested that the DPW rent a stump grinder and grind all stumps at the curb throughout the township.

LoPiccolo motioned; Anzevino seconded to instruct the DPW Superintendent to rent a stump grinder and grind the township stumps throughout the township. All in favor.

Brugger advised that Hackensack is considering the introduction of an ordinance imposing a 10:00 p.m. curfew on juveniles. It was suggested that perhaps the township adopt a similar ordinance since there have been several complaints by citizens and members of the committee regarding the conduct and behavior of juveniles in the area of the basketball courts.

Robyn Scholz – Reported that 80 children have already signed up for the night park program that will begin July 11th. Regarding the adoption of the municipal budget, Scholz reported that the state is at a halt. She suggested that the township continue to wait until we hear regarding our discretionary aid application. She reported having a good, progressive meeting with John Tomic and that the township will shortly send out information for interested seniors.

Regarding the repaving of Vreeland Avenue as a joint project with Hackensack, Mr. Nasta was to contact Mr. LoIocano to set up a meeting with Mr. Anzevino to discuss that possibility.

Public Comments

Dolly Montenegro – Complained that since it is a state requirement to have both a front and rear license plate, police officers should not be exempt, but should also follow the law.

Closed Session

Anzevino motioned; Brugger seconded to go into closed session at 8:55 p.m. All in favor.

LoPiccolo motioned; Anzevino seconded to re-open the meeting at 9:27 p.m. All in favor.

Adjournment

LoPiccolo motioned; Brugger seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 p.m. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda LoPiccolo
Municipal Clerk