

Township of South Hackensack
County of Bergen, New Jersey
September 7, 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.....Present

Also present:
David V. Nasta, Esq., Municipal Attorney
Linda LoPiccolo, Municipal Clerk
11 residents

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 & Reports

General Correspondence – August 2006

Brugger motioned; LoPiccolo seconded to accept the general correspondence received during the month of August and place it in the appropriate files. All in favor.

Michael D. Frew, Police Chief (August 9, 2006) Recommendation to appoint Joseph Walters as part time dispatcher

Brugger motioned; Anzevino seconded to accept the recommendation of Chief Frew and to appoint Joseph Walters as a part time dispatcher. All in favor.

Carole Ostrowski, PB/ZB Secty (August 21, 2006) Ordinance 2006-17 Planning Board recommends adoption of Ordinance 2006-17 with no amendments.

Brugger motioned; Anzevino seconded to accept the correspondence and place it on file. All in favor.

Carole Ostrowski, PB/ZB Secty (August 21, 2006) Ordinance 2006-18 Planning Board recommends adoption of Ordinance 2006-18 with no amendments.

LoPiccolo motioned; Eckel seconded to accept the correspondence and place it on file. All in favor.

Raymond De Riso, Zoning Enforcement Officer (August 31, 2006) Request approval to attend 2006 League of Municipalities Convention.

Brugger motioned; LoPiccolo seconded to accept the correspondence and authorize DeRiso to attend the NJ League of Municipalities Conference.

Mark Calero, 71 New Street, Hackensack (August 20, 2006) Application South Hackensack Volunteer Ambulance Corps

Eckel motioned; Anzevino seconded to accept the application to the Volunteer Ambulance Corps and place it on file. All in favor.

James R. Riley, 107 Hudson Street, Apt. 8B, Hackensack (September 6, 2006) Application South Hackensack Fire Department

Anzevino motioned; Eckel seconded to accept the correspondence and approve James Riley as a member of the South Hackensack Fire Co. No. 1. All in favor.

Michael J. Ward, OEM Coordinator (September 6, 2006) Requesting compensation for training police department and other employees in Incident Command 100 and NIMS Awareness IS 700

Brugger motioned; LoPiccolo seconded to approve request for compensation at a rate of \$25.00 per hour. All in favor.

Reports submitted by the following departments for the month of August unless otherwise noted: Property Maintenance (Nov '05 through July '06); Ambulance Corps (Jan '06 through July '06); Tax Collector; Treasurer; PB/ZB; License; Construction; Municipal Court; DPW; Fire; Police;

Eckel motioned; Anzevino seconded to accept the reports and place them in the appropriate file. All in favor.

Old Business

Shade Tree Ordinance

Nasta reported that he has been working together with Jim Anzevino to draft an ordinance and that he will have a draft for the meeting of September 14, 2006.

79 Franklin Street –

Walter Eckel advised that he expects to receive a report from Boswell Engineering that will be distributed to the members of the Township Committee for their review.

DPW Sewer Jet – Bids Received June 27, 2006

The committee discussed that the bids were already over 60 days old and that they did not intend to request an extension from the one bidder. Anzevino discussed meeting with Hackensack representatives to discuss the use of their sewer jet for emergencies and on a regular basis. Anzevino indicated that he would contact Hackensack regarding an Agreement with them. Also, he indicated that he would speak with Mr. Paladino regarding the regular use of the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission's sewer jet.

New Business

League of Municipalities Convention (November 14-17th)

The committee indicated that they would like to continue the same practice as last year and that the resolution authorizing the expenses and time off should be listed on the agenda for September 14, 2006.

Contract Renewal – Conversent Communications

Scholz motioned; Brugger seconded to authorize and direct the clerk to execute an Agreement with Conversent Communications for an additional 3 years with an additional anticipated cost savings of \$40 per month on the line charges.

Ordinances – no discussion

Resolutions

Closed Session – Litigation, Personnel

Brugger motioned; LoPiccolo seconded to authorize closed session. All in favor.

Committee Reports

Gary Brugger – Reported that he spoke with Jim Riley regarding the performance of both Mr. Vanatta and Mr. Lynn as sub-code officials in the building department and that based upon Mr. Riley's recommendation he suggested that they both be appointed for 4-year terms at the next meeting.

Mr. Brugger suggested that the remaining NJMC grant money be used to purchase a radio for the Garfield Park section and also suggested that perhaps the vents in the police department and the municipal building generally could be cleaned to improve the air quality.

COAH

Mayor Scholz requested that David Nasta contact the Council on Affordable Housing regarding the township's COAH filing for substantive certification under 3rd round rules and to look into the possibility of sharing the services of a housing officer and liaison with another municipality.

Public Comments

Scholz motioned; Anzevino seconded to open the meeting for public comments. All in favor.

Dolly Montenegro, 57 Phillips Avenue – Mrs. Montenegro questioned the status of a possible joint project with Hackensack to resurface Vreeland Avenue in its entirety, Anzevino responded that when he and Nasta met with Hackensack representatives, Hackensack indicated that they would have their engineer contact our engineer to discuss

a joint project. Montenegro questioned whether or not the ordinance that had been adopted naming Madeline Corporation as the developer of the senior housing project would have to be repealed, Nasta responded that no, it was no longer in effect. Lastly, Montenegro suggested that the township look into why Carlstadt received \$750,000 in state aid for their loss in revenue due to the Empire Tract, when in fact she felt that this Township should have received more state aid because of the loss in ratables.

Anzevino motioned; Brugger seconded to close the public comments. All in favor.

Closed Session

LoPiccolo motioned; Eckel seconded to go into closed executive session at 8:32 p.m. All in favor.

Minutes were recorded of the matters that were discussed in closed session. The minutes will be made available to the public when permitted by law and authorized by the governing body.

Eckel motioned; Scholz seconded to re-open the meeting to the public at 9:42 p.m. All in favor.

Adjournment

Scholz motioned; LoPiccolo seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 p.m. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda LoPiccolo
Municipal Clerk