

Township of South Hackensack
Bergen County, New Jersey
October 4, 2007 7:30 P.M.
Regular Meeting
MINUTES

Gary C. Brugger, MayorPresent
Walter Eckel, Jr., Deputy MayorPresent
James AnzevinoPresent
Gene Roman.....Present
Rosina RomanoPresent

Also present:

David V. Nasta, Esq., Municipal Attorney
Mary Terraccino, Deputy Clerk

Call of Meeting to Order

Mayor Brugger called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. He 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 roll.

Correspondence

Request from Ralph Zisa to install brick pavers at 235-239 Huyler Street was tabled until the October 11th meeting because of property maintenance issues that have not been resolved.

David Nasta suggested moving forward with negotiations in regards to the Sept. 22 letter from Rob Gillman Teamster Local Union 11. Gene Roman, Jim Anzevino and David Nasta will meet on Thursday November 8th at 6:30 p.m.

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded and the Committee unanimously approved the request from Michael Ward to use the OEM vehicle to attend conferences in Atlantic City.

Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded to accept the thank you to the police department on behalf of the Sylvestri family and to place a copy in the personnel files for Capt. Terraccino and Patrolman Agar.

Old Business

Sidewalk Safety – Anzevino reported that Paramus uses different vendors to cut the roots from the trees. Rochelle Park and Saddle Brook have an Interlocal Agreement. Anzevino felt that it would be faster if our town handles it on its own.

Interlocal Agreement with Hackensack for salt – Brugger informed the committee that Hackensack has sent us draft agreement for \$1000 to load our trucks with salt for the 2007 winter season. They have a 24/7 hour operation. Brugger felt that this agreement drawn up by Joe Zisa would be beneficial for the town. Roman inquired if we could enter into an agreement with a town that is not in compliance with the DEP regulations. He indicated that Hackensack does not have a salt shed. Nasta will report back at next weeks meeting.

Redevelopment Grant - Brugger informed the committee that the town was going to request an extension to the grant money for the Redevelopment Study.

COAH - Nasta spoke with Carbone with regards to COAH issues and the municipality has until November 27th to abide by all the deadlines. Nasta will not go to COAH until he corresponds with Carbone as to what has transpired up to this point in time. Nasta and Carbone will make this a coordination effort. Nasta also indicated that the Administrative Agent/Housing Liaison will all be part of the submission to COAH.

New Business

Municipalities Convention - Brugger informed the committee that Ray DeRiso goes to the convention in place of Jim Riley and Mary Terraccino had requested to attend the convention in place of Linda LoPiccolo to obtain some of the CEU's necessary to renew her Municipal Clerk's certification. Eckel requested that the stipend for convention expenses be increased. This was left for further discussion at the regular meeting.

Brugger motioned Anzevino seconded to approve the recreation voucher and payment for Madison Square Garden in the amount of \$2860 for the "Wintuk" show tickets. All in favor.

Brugger requested Roman to advise Paladino to replace the street sign at the corner of Huyler Street and Leuning Street.

Ordinances

Draft Ordinance for Liquor License Establishment – Nasta was unsure of the amendment and Chief Frew informed the committee that they would also like to include the licensing of all personnel in the establishments that hold liquor licenses such as bartenders, waiters, and waitresses. Nasta will speak with Frew and report to the committee next week.

Draft Ordinance for Recreation Fee Increase – Brugger motioned; Anzevino seconded to approve the draft with changes. The amended ordinance will be introduced October 11, 2007. All in favor.

Committee Reports

Anzevino – Indicated that he did not have the list of the Softball players that went to the state and hoped that we could present them with certificates from the town at a later date. He informed the town that there was a pre-construction meeting at Boswell this week for Vreeland Avenue and that the work will begin around October 10th and that it will be coordinated with the City of Hackensack. Completion of the project will be around November 16th.

Roman – No report.

Romano – Informed the committee that the website has additional sections that were updated and that there will be a possibility of adding in sections for Memorial School and Senior Citizens. Residents were asked to submit any photos that they would like posted. She reported that she met with the assessor, George Reggo and the appraiser, Bob McNerney. The appeal process has changed and this has been very costly to the town. Progress reports were requested to keep the municipality on the status of the appeals.

Eckel – Reported that the police overtime is down and that the police department received their new patrol car this week. The police department also has a detective working with the County at this time.

Brugger – Reported on the sewer break on Hoffman Street, curbing along Hoffman Street, and the Fireman's memorial to be held this Sunday at 9 a.m. at the fire monument park. He also informed the committee that Community Development applications are due October 5th. Anzevino will ask for an extension and that we should prepare resolutions for next weeks meeting to include projects for Barrier Free sidewalks and ramps at Memorial School, to flood proof the Garfield pumping station, and the resurfacing of Hoffman Street. Boswell will prepare the cost estimates on each project. There have been some complaints with the operation of the business of Driscoll Foods at 490 Huyler Street. Letters will be sent out to some residents to call the municipal office or police department to document all complaints. Frew indicated that Driscoll over utilizes that site and that there should be some revision to the Code with regards to noise. Bergen County should be notified to do a noise test. DeRiso indicated that the use is too intense for that building. There have been many issues with noise, littering, health, and traffic. The fire chief was informed to check out fire lane requirements. Brugger will proceed with the idea from Boswell to send a letter to the surrounding neighbors to Driscoll foods to call in complaints to the office or police department.

Public Comments

Peter Cassita and Eric Santos along with 4 other residents from the Garfield Park area complained about the noise from their neighbors. Loud music plays until 5 a.m. and automobile engines rev every time they leave the area. This neighbor also utilizes Stanley's Auto Repair to park their cars. They have called the police numerous times and feel that a noise ordinance should be in place. The police chief will speak with Nasta with regards to this matter.

Lonnie Bedell indicated that he is on the service list for the COAH and that he is a big defender for the Madeline Corporation and asked the Freeholders to keep an eye on the senior housing project. Brugger said that the township is committed to completing this project.

Dolly Montenegro commented on Zisa's property on Huyler Street, convention expenses for the township committee, Hoffman street curbs, and the Fire Departments annual memorial service. She also has a problem with regards to motorcycle noise in her area of town.

Ray DeRiso wanted to know the status of the rental ordinance and the children attending Memorial School. Nasta needs to speak with Ralph Padovano who is on a two week court trial. Padovano forwarded documents to Nasta that need to be reviewed. Nasta will report back in November.

Nasta informed the residents of Garfield Park that they can file a citizen complaint with the court clerk at the Municipal Building with regards to Chapter 158 for Peace and Good Order. This complaint will be heard by Judge Padovano and the matter will be on record.

At 9:18 p.m. Brugger motioned; Eckel seconded to go into Closed Session. All in favor.

Closed Session

- Litigation – Bayview Loan Services LLC v. B2K LLC et al
- Litigation – PBA Local 102 Docket CO-2006-307
- Litigation – DPW Grievance Docket No. CO-2007-068
- Litigation – Lighthouse Restaurant Services Liquor License

At 9:45 p.m. Anzevino motioned; Eckel seconded to re-open the meeting. All in favor.
Anzevino motioned; Eckel seconded to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Terraccino
Deputy Clerk