

OFFICIAL MINUTES
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY
WORKSHOP MEETING
MARCH 3, 2015 AT 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Raguseo called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilman Anzalone led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Mauro Raguseo, Council President Roberta Henriquez, Councilman Ronald Anzalone, Councilman Stephen Lanum, Councilman Thomas Sarlo, Councilwoman Peggy Steinhilber
Absent: Councilman George Muller

SUNSHINE STATEMENT:

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OPEN TOPICS:

- Proposed Eagle Scout Projects

Boy Scout Andrew Severino said he is working toward the Eagle Scout rank and would like to dedicate his service project to the betterment of the Borough. Several ideas were discussed with Andrew and it was decided that he would work on benches and flower beds along the walking path at Willow Lake. Andrew said he would begin the project in early spring and along with his troop and connections with other troops, would have the assistance of 30 – 40 scouts assisting him. Donations would pay for the materials. DPW Superintendent William Holley will review the project with Andrew to see how many benches would be needed. Mayor Raguseo recommended Andrew contact the Borough Administrator as well.

- Police Athletic League

Police Chief Ralph Verdi said he was approached by the Juvenile Officers to create a Police Athletic League (PAL) and obtain 5013C status. Chief Verdi said it's a great program for children. Borough Administrator Michael Capabianco

OPEN TOPICS continued:

said the idea is to provide free play time at the gym and tutoring. They would start slowly with the program and then expand with more programs being made available. Chief Verdi said the Junior Police Academy and DARE program would run out of the PAL. Mr. Capabianco said that the Municipal Drug Alliance program could also be run through the PAL. Councilman Sarlo said the PAL offers many activities, i.e. a basketball league and wrestling league.

- Willow Lake Auxiliary Generator

Mr. Capabianco said that the project can continue without pilings, but there could be issues with the soil as they dig deeper. The project would increase by approximately \$100,000 if pilings were placed. The Borough Engineer recommends pilings be placed for any project at Willow Lake due to the condition of the land. Councilman Anzalone said that past experience shows the area is not stable. The Governing Body agreed to add pilings. A resolution will be added to next week's regular meeting agenda authorizing the design for the pilings. Mr. Capabianco said the project will start in the fall. It was decided to wait on the Main Street Pump Station Generator project to see the effects of the Route 46 project and how it helps the Borough.

- Project Updates

Mr. Capabianco gave an update on current projects. The roof for the gazebo is finished and we are awaiting the delivery date. He said the Borough needs to put together a list of the roads PSE & G has dug up. He requested that Mr. Holley put the list of these roads in ranking order as to which are in the worst condition. Mr. Capabianco said he will travel throughout the town to review all the roads to see which roads need to be paved in their entirety. PSE & G will only pave the half of the road they opened. Mr. Capabianco said he would like to see the condition of the other half of each road to see its condition. If poor, we would like the entire road paved. He said he is still waiting on the EDA grant. The Borough is in the process of getting two permits, one from the B.C. Soil Conservation District and the Dept. of Environmental Protection. He said the Borough Engineer Kenneth Job already has a lot of the leg work done.

- Senior Center

Council President Henriquez said the issue with June bugs at the Senior Center will be starting as soon as April or May and we will need to relocate the Seniors for their meetings during this period. She said she will be contacting the VFW to

OPEN TOPICS continued:

see if they can use their facilities. The Governing Body authorized the payment of a fee if necessary to use their facilities. Council President Henriquez said the condition of the steps at the Senior Center are very poor. Councilman Anzalone said that to do the job correctly, you need to have a few stairs, a landing and then additional stairs. Mr. Capabianco recommended the Seniors use the ramp for now and the stairs be blocked off.

- Improvements at Borough Hall

Mr. Capabianco said new microphones for the Council Chambers have been purchased. The ceiling at Borough Hall is again leaking. He said the problem is that the roof is flat and when the snow melts, it gets under the flashing. We have had numerous roofers come in and try to fix the problem. He is looking into installing something on the roof that would melt the snow at a slower pace. New office furniture has been ordered for some of the Borough offices.

CITIZENS HEARING:

Mayor Raguseo entertained a Motion to Open Citizens Hearing:

Motion by: Council President Henriquez

Second by: Councilwoman Steinhilber

All Ayes.

Alan Pearson, CFO and Steve Carucci, Operations Manager of Doka USA came forward and said the one hour parking on the street to unload their trucks is not enough time. They are incredibly busy and they have to keep rotating trucks. Summonses are being written daily. They said they are presently using other areas to park the trucks and asked the Governing Body to consider permitting a three hour parking period. They said they contacted the NJMC in reference to parking near Hobby World by the boat yard and they seemed to discourage the idea. The location is also ¼ mile away and would be difficult to conduct their day-to-day business. Mr. Pearson said that so far in 2015, they have paid \$5,000 in fines. Last year, there was over \$28,000 in summonses. They said Doka USA has been in the Borough for 40 years and would like to continue staying in the Borough. They said the ticket price was \$45.00 and is now \$54.00. Council President Henriquez said it's the State and County that can increase the price of the fine should they choose to. Chief Verdi said he has received complaints from some neighbors about the trucks being on the street and the Fire Department complained at one time of having difficulty with getting the fire truck through because of the trucks being on the road. Fire Commissioner/Councilman

CITIZENS HEARING continued:

Anzalone said he believed the fire truck would be able to pass through and the fire hydrants are on the other side of the street. The Governing Body authorized the Borough Attorney to prepare an ordinance to be introduced at next week's regular meeting to allow parking on one side from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. The sign to be posted would read no parking from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Since there was no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Raguseo entertained a Motion to Close Citizens Hearing:

Motion by: Council President Henriquez

Second by: Councilwoman Steinhilber

All Ayes.

RESOLUTION:

101. Closed Session Resolution

Mayor Raguseo entertained a Motion to enter into Private Session on matters of Anticipated Litigation – OPRA Issues, Litigation – Nuckel vs. L.F. Riverfront Overlay Ord. and Personnel:

Motion by: Council President Henriquez

Second by: Councilwoman Steinhilber

All ayes.

Return from Closed Session:

Motion by: Council President Henriquez

Second by: Councilwoman Steinhilber

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Raguseo, Council President Henriquez, Councilman Anzalone, Councilman Lanum, Councilwoman Steinhilber

Absent: Councilman Muller, Councilman Sarlo (please note Councilman Sarlo left during Private Session at 8:34 p.m. to attend another meeting)

**AGENDA ITEMS: PROCLAMATION, RESOLUTION(S) –
ORDINANCE(S) FOR CONSIDERATION AT REGULAR MEETING:**

PROCLAMATION: National Poison Prevention Week

Mayor Raguseo entertained a motion to vote on Resolution No. 105:

Motion by: Council President Henriquez

Second by: Councilwoman Steinhilber

Roll Call: Ayes: Anzalone, Henriquez, Lanum, Steinhilber

Nays: None

Absent: Muller, Sarlo

RESOLUTIONS:

102. Authorizing Borough Administrator to Sign an Agreement Between the Borough of Little Ferry and Arcadis U.S., Inc. for Access to Property Located at 7 Capital Drive, Moonachie, NJ
103. Declaration of Emergency Repair – Security System (9) Universal Door Controllers
104. Resolution Regarding Settling 84 Industrial Ave.
105. Resolution for Member Participation in a Cooperative Pricing System – Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission **(TO BE ADOPTED MARCH 3RD)**
106. Refund Tax Overpayment – Corelogic Tax Service – Federal National Mgt Assoc.
107. Refund Tax Overpayment – Corelogic Tax Service – Gonzalez
108. Refund Tax Overpayment – Corelogic Tax Service – Jones
109. Entering into a Shared Service Agreement for Installation of Security Cameras and Monitoring Services
110. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting – December. 9, 2014, Special Meeting – December 19, 2014, Special Meeting – Firemen’s Reorganization – December 19, 2014, Sine Die Meeting – January 2, 2015, Annual Reorganization Meeting – January 2, 2015, Workshop Meeting – January 13, 2015 & Regular Meeting – January 13, 2015
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116. Authorizing the Mayor to Approve Application for Blue Light Permit for Member of the Fire Department
117. Refund Duplicate Tax Payment to Santi, Carlo G. & Emma

ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION:

None

ORDINANCE(S) FOR FINAL ADOPTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 1427-35-15 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “TOWERS AND WRECKERS” OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

ORDINANCE NO. 1428-36-15 – AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARIES, WAGES AND COMPENSATION OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

ORDINANCE NO. 1429-37-15 – A CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$89,000 FOR ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL ITEMS.

Since there was no other business to be discussed, Mayor Raguseo entertained a Motion to Adjourn.

Motion by: Council President Henriquez

Second by: Councilwoman Steinhilber

All ayes

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Minutes transcribed and respectfully submitted by Borough Clerk Barbara Maldonado. I hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true account of the Workshop Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on March 3, 2015.


Barbara Maldonado, Borough Clerk

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MOTION TO ADJOURN: _____ TIME: _____ P.M.

N.J.S.A. 10: 4-12-(b) (4) -----

A collective bargaining agreement

PURPOSE: _____

N.J.S.A. 10: 4-12- (b) (5) -----

A matter involving the Expenditure of public funds For the acquisition of real property

PURPOSE: _____

N.J.S.A 10: 4-12 – (b) (5) -----

A matter involving the setting of banking notes or investment of public funds

PURPOSE: _____

N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 – (b) (6) -----

Tactics and Techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public

PURPOSE: _____

N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 – (b) (6) -----

An investigation of the violation or possible violation of law

PURPOSE: _____

N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b) (7) -----
-----X-----

Pending or anticipated litigation or Contract negotiations.

**BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY
RESOLUTION**

	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain	No Vote
Anzalone	X				
Henriquez	X				
Lanum	X				
Muller			X		
Sarlo	X				
Steinhilber	X				
Raguseo (Tie Only)					
Vote Total	5	0	1	0	0

DATE: March 3, 2015

RESOLUTION #: 105

MOTION BY: C/P Henriquez

SECOND BY: C/W Steinhilber

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**RESOLUTION FOR MEMBER PARTICIPATION
IN A COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY
TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency " has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2015 the Governing Body of the Borough of Little Ferry, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

TITLE

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Borough of Little Ferry

AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the Borough Administrator is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency and sign all paperwork.

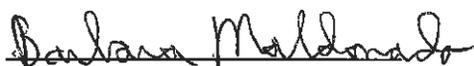
CONTRACTING UNIT

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

ATTEST:


Barbara Maldonado,
Borough Clerk


Mauro Raguseo, Mayor

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council at a meeting held on March 3, 2015.


Barbara Maldonado,
Borough Clerk