

OFFICIAL MINUTES
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY
WORKSHOP MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Raguseo called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

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

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

SUNSHINE STATEMENT:

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OPEN TOPICS:

- Eagle Scout Project Ideas

Mayor Raguseo recommended a project at Willow Lake or Lakeview Park as both parks need attention. Councilman Anzalone said the Scout needs to fundraise for the project. It's part of the process to obtain the rank of Eagle Scout. He said the Scout needs to come up with a project that does not just involve refurbishing, such as painting. Borough Administrator Paula Cozzarelli said she will work with the Scout on project ideas.

- Clothing Allowances

Borough Clerk Barbara Maldonado inquired if the Governing Body again wished to adopt a resolution authorizing a clothing allowance for crossing guards, special officers and dispatchers. Council President Henriquez said the clothing allowance was established years ago because at that time the salaries were low and the employees used their own clothes. It is basically given as a stipend. The consensus was to continue giving the clothing allowance. A resolution authorizing the clothing allowance will be adopted at the September meeting.

OPEN TOPICS continued:

- Open Space – Project(s) for Declaration of Intent

Ms. Cozzarelli said the Project(s) for Declaration of Intent is new this year. There is \$157,000 in our region to be shared amongst 12 towns. The Declaration of Intent is due tomorrow. The consensus was to submit for replacement of the motors and electric for the fountains at Indian Lake for \$20,000.

- Prioritization of Projects

Ms. Cozzarelli went over a list of current Borough projects with the Governing Body and sought their input on prioritizing. It was agreed that the completion of Hurricane Sandy paperwork be placed at the top of the list for the Borough to be reimbursed. Ms. Cozzarelli said she will be meeting with the County regarding shared services.

- Redevelopment

Ms. Cozzarelli said a developer is interested in developing along the river and is seeking that an area be designated as an area in need of redevelopment so they are eligible for PILOT. It was decided to take no action until it is more clear as to what the developer plans on doing.

- Borough Communications

Ms. Maldonado spoke to the Governing Body in reference to setting up their cell phones or computers or both to start using their emails provided through the Borough.

- Salaries – DPW Summer Help

Ms. Cozzarelli said there is an amended salary ordinance on the agenda for introduction for all positions to be in compliance with their salaries as some employees were making more than the range that was listed. She recommended an increase for the three DPW summer help employees retroactive to June. One employee would receive a \$1.00 hourly increase and the other two would receive a 50 cent hourly increase.

- Bassano Field Project Update (Turf Field)

Borough Engineer Kenneth Job said the field has been excavated and next will be the installation of the perimeter curb and then the turf. The field should be ready

OPEN TOPICS continued:

for football season and then work can begin on the Little League fields. A discussion then followed regarding the refurbishing of the dugouts. DPW Superintendent William Holley said there is going to be a lot of clay leftover from the existing ballfields. He said he can use some of it to rehabilitate the DPW yard and mentioned using the additional clay for a new field on Washington Ave. The consensus of the Governing Body was not to create a new field as it will create more work for the DPW. It was recommended that the clay be stockpiled.

CITIZENS HEARING:

Mayor Raguseo entertained a Motion to Open Citizens Hearing:

Motion by: Council President Henriquez

Second by: Councilwoman Steinhilber

All Ayes.

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

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All Ayes.

RESOLUTIONS:

226. Executive Closed Session Resolution (The Governing Body closed during the Regular Meeting).

CLOSED TOPICS:

- Anticipated Litigation: - Garbage Collection
 - 260 Bergen Tpke.
 - DPW Remediation – LSRP
- Personnel: - LOSAP
- Contract Negotiations - FAA

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

RESOLUTIONS:

227. Approval of Minutes – July 12, 2016 Workshop & Regular Meeting

RESOLUTIONS continued:

228. Authorizing Royale Realty, LLC to Provide to the Borough of Little Ferry 2 Affordable Housing Units Located at 129 Woodland Avenue in Lieu of the 2 Units Previously Required to be Provided as Part of the Royale Realty Development Located at 273, 277 and 281 Main Street
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230. Resolution Regarding Settling Sunyi Management Tax Appeal
231. Refund for PAL Football
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233. Cancelling of Current Fund Grant Receivable Balances
234. Extending Tax Bill Due Date to September 1, 2016
235. State of New Jersey Solid Waste Administration – 2013 Recycling Tonnage Grant
236. Acceptance of Resignation – First Aid Corps Member Jeannine Ebenau
237. Authorizing Execution of Trust Fund Project Contract for Mehrhof Park Improvements
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245. Authorizing the Borough Administrator to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with T-Slack Environmental Services, Inc. for the amount of \$5,500 as the Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP) and Groundwater Remedial Investigation at the DPW Garage
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ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 1465-14-16 – 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(S) FOR FINAL ADOPTION:

None

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

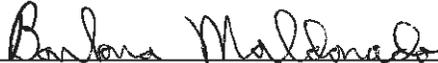
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Second by: Councilwoman Steinhilber

All ayes

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 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 August 9, 2016.



Barbara Maldonado, Borough Clerk

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