OFFICIAL MINUTES
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY
WORKSHOP MEETING
JUNE 14, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Raguseo called the meeting to order at 6:22 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 George Muller, Councilwoman Peggy Steinhilber
Absent: Councilman Thomas Sarlo

SUNSHINE STATEMENT:

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OPEN TOPICS:

- Pekin Ducks at Indian Lake

Borough Administrator Paula Cozzarelli said that two advocates came to speak with her regarding domestic ducks being abandoned at Indian Lake. Ms. Cozzarelli showed a sign the advocates were requesting to be posted at the lake. The sign stated that the dumping of domestic ducks and geese is cruel and illegal and quoted a NJ SPCA Cruelty Statute. Ms. Cozzarelli felt educating persons through facebook and on the Borough's website would be the best way to try and stop the dumping of domestic ducks and geese at the lake. The Governing Body agreed to post the sign for approximately one week, educate people through facebook and the Borough's website and post the sign(s) annually during Easter time.

- DPW Mutual Aid Agreement

Ms. Cozzarelli said the Borough is part of the Riverside Coop. FEMA is requesting the Borough provide a debris management plan and part of that plan

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would be a mutual aid agreement. Should the Borough provide FEMA with the plan, the Borough would receive a 2% increase from FEMA for reimbursement of expenses incurred for a declared federal emergency. The mutual aid agreement would be with Riverside Coop members. Councilman Anzalone questioned if this agreement would cause any union issues. Ms. Cozzarelli said wording would be added that it would not take over-time from union workers. The agreement would provide the Borough with assistance should there be a catastrophic event. It wouldn't take work away from the DPW. The Governing Body was open to the idea. Ms. Cozzarelli will review the wording of the agreement and the matter will again be addressed at a later date.

- RFQ for Liability Insurances

Ms. Cozzarelli asked the Governing Body's opinion regarding seeking an RFQ for liability insurance as the Borough is up for renewal of its three year contract with the Joint Insurance Fund (JIF). The consensus was to renew with the JIF as they were satisfied with their experience with the JIF at this time.

- PAL & Boys Club

Ms. Cozzarelli said she has been reviewing food permits with the Boys Club and Little League and felt tension between the Boys Club and Police Athletic League (PAL). She felt their roles need to be defined as to what activities the Boys Club will be handling and what activities the PAL will be handling. She said that both have the same mission, that being keeping boys and girls active in programs. She wants to see how they can best serve the Borough. Mayor Raguseo said it was his understanding that the Boys Club would be in charge of baseball and softball and the PAL would be in charge of football and cheerleading. He recommended that Ms. Cozzarelli meet with the Boys Club and Officers Hinchcliffe and Derwin of the PAL and the Recreation Committee to discuss the roles of the Boys Club and PAL. Police Chief Ralph Verdi said the PAL purchased new uniforms, helmets and logos for the football team which is now a joint team consisting of children from Little Ferry and Ridgefield Park and called the Red Devils. Ms. Cozzarelli will schedule a meeting.

- Non-Contiguous Cluster Plan

Mayor Raguseo said this study was part of a Post Sandy grant applied for by the former Borough Administrator. Ms. Cozzarelli said Clarke Caton Hintz who is doing the study will identify commercial and neighborhood areas in flood prone areas. The Borough could buy out and relocate those individuals to non-prone

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flood areas. She said the Borough would be left with areas with neighborhoods where some would want a buy out, some would move and some would remain as is. Mayor Raguseo said it is not the Borough's intention to focus on certain areas like this and the Borough does not have funds to buy out property owners. He said he was not under the impression that that is what this study was about. The consensus was not to do this designating of commercial and neighborhood properties in flood prone areas.

NOTE: Council President Henriquez arrived at the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

- Memorial School Plan

Ms. Cozzarelli showed the Governing Body a plan created by Clarke Caton Hintz to designate Memorial School as an emergency shelter. The plan showed a 2' wall around the school, additional drainage and a gate to keep waters out and to get waters out as well. She said she assumed the costs would have to be provided for in the school's budget.

CITIZENS HEARING:
Mayor Raguseo entertained a Motion to Open Citizens Hearing:
Motion by: Councilwoman Steinhilber
Second by: Councilman Lanum
All Ayes.

Ross LaSpina, 57 Niehaus Ave., came forward and asked the status of the contract for solid waste. Mayor Raguseo said this matter has been listed for discussion under closed session. He did explain that the Borough was originally contracted with Future Sanitation but then Future Sanitation was unable to provide the required Performance Bond. The contract was then switched to Joseph Smentkowski, the current hauler. Smentkowski has been forgetting to pick up garbage from certain streets, has not been putting lids on containers and there have been other issues as well. The Borough has received numerous complaints from residents. He said the Borough Administrator has been dealing with the complaints. The contract is a five year contract and includes the pickup of recyclables as well. Smentkowski took the contract for the same price as Future Sanitation who was the lowest bidder. The bid was $100,000 lower than what the Borough was paying previously. The Governing Body will discuss in closed session the Borough's rights if it wants to switch to another company. We are presently half way through the contract.

CITIZENS HEARING continued:

Sue Carvajal, Mehrhof Road, came forward and said she felt her speech at the Mayor For A Day meeting regarding the proper handling of dogs would have been more effective had she spoken prior to Dr. Mangieri from the County Health Department. Mayor Raguseo commended Ms. Carvajal on her speech and said she was effective.

Since there was no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Raguseo entertained a Motion to Close Citizens Hearing:
Motion by: Councilman Muller
Second by: Councilman Lanum
All Ayes.

RESOLUTIONS:

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

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

RESOLUTIONS:

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199. Supporting A-536/S-2107 to Clarify Volunteer Position Do Not Impact Retirement Benefits for Public Employees
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BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1464-13-16 – BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3 AND SECTION 6(d) OF ORDINANCE #1458-07-16 OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW

ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION:

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1464-13-16 continued:

JERSEY PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, FINALLY ADOPTED APRIL 12, 2016, TO INCREASE AND DECREASE THE APPROPRIATION AND AUTHORIZATION AMOUNTS AND TO INCREASE THE SECTION 20 COSTS.

ORDINANCE(S) FOR FINAL ADOPTION:

ORDINANCE NO. 1463-12-16 – AN ORDINANCE ADDING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "PET BANNING THE SALE OF DOGS AND CATS FROM PET SHOPS" OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

Since there was no other business to be discussed, Mayor Raguseo entertained a Motion to Adjourn.
Motion by: Councilwoman Steinhilber
Second by: Councilman Lanum
All ayes

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 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 June 14, 2016.

Barbara Maldonado

Barbara Maldonado, Borough Clerk

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CLOSED TOPICS:

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- Personnel – Deputy Zoning Officer Salary
  - Employee Increases Not Included in Previous Res.

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