

OFFICIAL MINUTES  
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 9, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Raguseo called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Raguseo led the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Mauro Raguseo, Council President  
George Muller, Councilman Ronald Anzalone,  
Councilwoman Roberta Henriquez, Councilman  
Thomas Sarlo, Councilwoman Peggy Steinhilber  
Absent: None

SUNSHINE STATEMENT:

Adequate notice of this meeting was approved by resolution adopted by the Governing Body on January 5, 2010, approved unanimously and published in The Record and Star Ledger as provided by the Open Public Meeting's Act. A copy of meeting notice was filed outside of the Borough Clerk's Office and has been posted on the bulletin board outside of the Borough Clerk's Office.

CORRESPONDENCE: Barbara Maldonado, Borough Clerk, read a letter from Matthew G. Quinzer commending emergency services, Re: Heaven is a Spa fire.

PRESENTATIONS: Presentation of CERT Certificates

REPORTS:

COUNCILWOMAN HENRIQUEZ reported that the Finance Committee has reviewed all the bills and found them ready for payment. She said the budget is being worked on and it will be a tough budget year.

COUNCILWOMAN SCHUCK reported progress on policy and personnel.

COUNCILMAN ANZALONE reported that in addition to the regular weekly tasks the DPW has been making improvements to the recycling yard and Borough buildings. They have also been plowing a lot of snow. The DPW has been busy cleaning catch basins in the problem areas and cleaning the Borough buildings. They are working on the Borough's pump stations and preparing the landscaping equipment for the upcoming grass season. The DPW has spent a lot of time on Liberty Street between Liberty Street and Eckel Road with the Meadowlands commission cleaning and running a camera through the sanitary sewer line. Now that the snow has melted the snow, the street sweeper is going around on a regular schedule. As of today, the cleaning of leaves will begin at Lakeview Park

COUNCIL PRESIDENT MULLER

COUNCILMAN SARLO

COUNCILWOMAN STEINHILBER

Mayor Raguseo thanked the Personnel Committee for all their time in choosing the new Borough Administrator. He introduced Michael Capabianco, the new Borough Administrator.

CITIZENS HEARING:

Mayor Raguseo entertained a motion to open Citizens Hearing.  
Motion by: C/M Muller  
Second by: C/W Steinhilber  
All ayes

George Perrine, 74 Wilson Street came forward to speak.

Carol Perrine, 74 Wilson Street came forward to speak.

Dennis Frances, 37 Liberty St. representing Mr. Youssif of 100 Mehrhof Road came forward to speak. Voice came back in the middle of Dennis Frances speaking. Cannot determine what the case is about. Case involves Mr. Bolan and the Planning Board. Mayor Raguseo stated a mistake might have been made and if that proves to be the case Mr. Youssif will be invited to return to a Mayor and Council Meeting along with whoever signed the permit from the Building Department.

Eileen DeLeeuw, 11 Chapman Drive came forward to speak. She requested the Board of Education Meetings be listed on the Municipal Drug Alliance Calendar. Mayor Raguseo set he would let Chairman George Wehrle know for next year.

George Stoft, 28 Main Street, came forward to speak. He wanted to know about the status of the Faustini property on Main Street. Ken Job, Borough Engineer Some of the progress on this property was slowed down due to weather conditions. He said the slope of the property still needs to be changed and Mr. Faustini must comply with what the State requires him to do. The property is under the control of the Department of Environmental Protection. Mayor Raguseo said the Governing Body will continue to monitor this project.

Al Imbimbio, 55 Marshall Ave., came forward to speak. He complained that fencing was put around the field at Mehrhof Road Park, but fencing was never put around the playground at the Boys Club field. He said this fencing is necessary to protect the children. Mayor Raguseo told Mr. Imbimbio that he along with Councilman Sarlo met with the President of the Boys Club, Joe La Rosa and Tony Grato from the Boys Club. He said the Governing Body is committed to getting grant money for this project this year. An agreement was then made. A plan was also made to take care of the ongoing dirt problem on the field. Mr. Imbimbio questioned the amount of money which was spent on a small piece of the Boys Club field which was fixed. Mr. Job, Borough Engineer explained why the cost was so high. Mr. Imbimbio also complained about the condition of the Boys Club building. Mayor Raguseo said a meeting was scheduled to look over the field and the club house, but it was cancelled due to snow covering the field. Mayor Raguseo assured Mr. Imbimbio that everything will be done to help improve these fields. Mr. Imbimbio also asked questions about the tentative plan for a CVS pharmacy. Ken Job answered Mr. Imbimbio's concerns regarding vehicle safety and the children.

Since no one else wished to speak, Mayor Raguseo entertained a motion to close Citizens Hearing.

Motion by: C/W Schuck  
Second by: C/W Steinhilber  
All ayes

#### ORDINANCE FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 1291-01-10

Clerk Read Ordinance by Title Only:

AN ORDINANCE ADDING 26-12 SECTION C TO AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED 'FIRE DEPARTMENT: JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM' OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY, COUNTY OF BERGEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY"

Mayor Raguseo entertained a motion to Open Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 1291-01-10

Motion by: C/W Henriquez

Second by: C/M Anzalone

All ayes

Since no one wished to speak on Ordinance No. 1291-01-10, Mayor Raguseo entertained a motion to Close Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 1291-01-10

Motion by: C/W Steinhilber

Second by: C/M Sarlo

All ayes

Mayor Raguseo entertained a motion to

Motion to Vote on Final Adoption of Ordinance No. 1291-01-10 with notification of said adoption published in The Record.

Motion by: C/W Steinhilber

Second by: C/W Henriquez

Roll Call: Ayes: Muller, Anzalone, Henriquez, Sarlo, Schuck, Steinhilber

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Raguseo entertained a motion to add Resolution No. 80

Motion by: C/W Henriquez

Second by: C/W Steinhilber

Roll Call: Ayes: Muller, Anzalone, Henriquez, Sarlo, Schuck, Steinhilber

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Raguseo entertained a motion to vote on Proclamation and Ordinance Nos. 65 through 69 and Nos. 71 through 80

Motion by: C/W Henriquez

Second by: C/W Steinhilber

Roll Call: Ayes: Muller, Anzalone, Henriquez, Sarlo, Schuck, Steinhilber

### **PROCLAMATION** – NEA’S READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

65. Approval of Bingo License – Senior Citizens Club
66. Refund of Building Permit – Ms. Siobhan Kelly
67. Resolution Opposing Legislation Amending The Time of Decision Rule
68. Proposed Settlement – Tax Appeal (84 Industrial Building)
69. Designation of Additional Official Newspaper – The Press Journal
70. Authorizing Acquisition of Property at 55 Liberty Street for Installation Of a Traffic Signal at Intersection of Liberty Street and Washington Avenue - **ADOPTED AT THE FEBRUARY 2, 2010 WORKSHOP MEETING**
71. Closed Session Resolution
72. Appointment of Michael N. Capabianco to the Position of Borough Administrator
73. Approval of Application for Raffle License – American Sokol Little Ferry
74. Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property
75. Claims List
76. Approval of Minutes – January 5, 2010 – Sine Die Meeting, January 5, 2010 – Rorganization Meeting, January 26, 2010 – Special Meeting
77. Authorizing the Transfer of 2009 Budget Appropriation Reserves
78. Emergency Temporary Appropriation
79. Refund of Certificate of Continued Occupancy Fee
80. Authorizing Amendment of an Award of telecommunication System Contract with RFP Solutions

Since there was no other business to be conducted, Mayor Raguseo entertained a motion to adjourn:

Motion by: C/W Henriquez

Second by: Steinhilber

All ayes

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes transcribed by Deputy Borough Clerk Patricia Lazzaro and respectfully submitted by Borough Clerk Barbara Maldonado. I hereby certify the foregoing Minutes to be a true account of the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on February 9, 2010.

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Barbara Maldonado, Borough Clerk

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

ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION:

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