

OFFICIAL MINUTES
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY
SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 7, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: Council President Mauro Raguseo called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Council President Raguseo led the Pledge Allegiance

ROLL CALL: Present: Councilwoman Roberta Henriquez, Councilwoman Patricia Navarro Cohen, Councilman Mauro Raguseo
Councilman Thomas Sarlo, Councilwoman Sue Schuck
Absent: Mayor Thomas Quirico, Councilman George Muller

SUNSHINE STATEMENT:

Meeting authorization was called by the Governing Body of the Borough of Little Ferry, with notification of said meeting transmitted to The Record and Star Ledger on August 1, 2007 giving notice that a Special Meeting has been scheduled for August 7, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard in the Municipal Building, 215-217 Liberty Street, 2nd floor, Little Ferry, New Jersey at which time formal action will be taken as provided by the Open Public Meetings Act. A copy of meeting notice and agenda were filed in the Borough Clerk's Office and have been posted on the bulletin board outside the Clerk's Office.

PUBLIC HEARING: 2007 MUNICIPAL BUDGET AMENDMENT

CITIZENS HEARING:

Council President Raguseo entertained a motion to Open Citizens Hearing:

Motion by: C/W Henriquez

Second by: C/W Navarro Cohen

All ayes

Since no one wished to speak, Council President Raguseo entertained a motion to Close Citizens Hearing:

Motion by: C/W Henriquez

Second by: C/W Navarro Cohen

All ayes

Councilwoman Henriquez said she wanted to comment on the 2007 Municipal Budget. She thanked the Finance Committee, Kenneth Gabbert, Administrator, and Accountants, Lerch, Vinci and Higgins for all their hard work. She thanked Councilman Raguseo for his work in working hard to obtain extraordinary aid from the State.

Councilman Raguseo thanked Councilwoman Henriquez for all her hard work on the Budget. He also thanked the Finance Committee, along with Accountants Donna Japhet and Dieter Lerch. He said he felt it was a good budget and a lot of hard work was put into it.

RESOLUTIONS:

NOTE: Resolutions will be voted upon as one unit in accordance with the consent agenda.

Council President Raguseo entertained a motion to vote on Resolution Nos. 196 through 218.

Motion by: C/W Henriquez

Second by: Navarro Cohen

Roll Call: Ayes: Henriquez, Navarro Cohen, Raguseo, Sarlo, Schuck

Nays: None

Absent: Muller

RESOLUTIONS:

196. Resolution to Amend 2007 Budget
197. Adoption of 2007 Municipal Budget
198. Approval of Minutes – May 8, 2007 – “Mayor for a Day” Program, June 5, 2007 – Workshop Meeting, June 12, 2007- Regular Meeting, July 3, 2007-Combined Workshop/Regular Meeting
199. Authorizing Renewal of Liquor License No. 0230-33-009-009 A & B Liquors, LLC for 2007-2008 License Term
200. Appointing Henry T. McDonald to a Part-Time EMT/Buildings and Grounds Position
201. Appointment of Jonathan Izquierdo as an Additional Part-Time Summer Recreation Counselor
202. Recreation Fees 2007
203. Termination of Dental COBRA Coverage for John Bacik
204. Requesting Approval of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to Establish a Dedicated Trust by Rider for Accumulated Absence Liability Trust Fund Pursuant to NJAC 5:30-15 et seq.
205. Appointment of Additional School Crossing Guards
206. Approval of Application for Raffle License – Lions Club
207. Approval of Contract with County for 9-1-1 Communications
208. Governing Body Certification of the Annual Audit
209. Authorizing Borough Clerk to Advertise for Bids for (1) 2008 Ford 4 Door 4WD Explorer and (1) 2008 Ford E-250 Van for the Police Department
210. Authorizing the Mayor to Approve Applications for Blue Light Permits
211. Authorizing Renewal of Liquor License No. 0230-33-008-007 – Mabeto Inc. for 2007-2008 License Term
212. Resolution to Approve the Corrective Action Plan for the Fiscal Year 2006 Audit Report of the Borough of Little Ferry
213. Authorizing Borough Clerk to Advertise for Bids for Solid Waste Disposal
214. Authorizing Administrator to Execute an Agreement with the County of Bergen Regarding the 2007 Auction of Used Vehicles and Heavy Equipment
215. Authorizing Release of Remaining Escrow Funds to NAPP-Grecco Company, Inc. for Police Detail Work
216. Resolution Authorizing the Borough Engineer to Prepare Plans And Specifications and Seek Bids for the Resurfacing of the Public Safety/Senior Citizens Building Parking Area
217. Requesting Approval of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to Establish a Dedicated Trust by Rider For Developer’s Escrow Fund Pursuant to NJS 40:55D-53.1 et seq.
218. Endorsing Municipal Open Space Trust Program Project – Improvements to Mehrhof Park

Council President Raguseo entertained a motion to go into Private Session.

Motion by: C/W Henriquez

Second by: C/M Sarlo

All ayes

PRIVATE SESSION:

Return from Private Session:

Roll Call: Present: Councilwoman Henriquez, Councilwoman Navarro Cohen,
Councilman Raguseo, Councilman Sarlo, Councilwoman
Schuck

Absent: Mayor Quirico, Councilman Muller

Council President Raguseo said matters of Personnel, Litigation, Property, Negotiation and Grievance were discussed in Private Session and no action was taken.

RESOLUTION:

219. Executive Session Resolution

Since there was no other business to be discussed, Council President Raguseo entertained a motion to adjourn.

Motion by: C/W Henriquez

Second by: C/W Navarro Cohen

All ayes

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 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 Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on August 7, 2007.

Barbara Maldonado