

March 3, 2009
Keyport, New Jersey

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council, Borough of Keyport, held on the above date in the Borough Hall Council Chambers, Keyport, N.J., pursuant to the adoption of the Annual Notice on file with the Borough Clerk, forwarded to the Asbury Park Press, Courier, Independent, Two River Times and Newark Star Ledger and posted on the Bulletin Board in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, P.L. 1975, Ch. 231.

Council President Sheridan called the meeting to order at 6:38 P.M. Clerk Valerie Heilweil read the Sunshine Law Notice.

ROLL CALL

On Roll Call the following were present: Councilmembers Bolte, Sefcik, Hill, Sheridan, Kovacs, Walling, Mayor Bergen (arrived 6:41PM). Others present: Borough Administrator Ms. Wright, Borough Attorney, Eric Winston.

RESOLUTION 74-09

1. Resolution #74-09 Closed Session Meeting - Personnel, Litigation, Attorney - Client Privilege

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport are of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to discuss:

1. Contract Negotiation
 - IUOE - Notice of Mediation
 - 19 Division Street - Deed of Easement
 - Garden Club Water Meter issue

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body that a meeting of the Mayor and Council shall be held forthwith from which the public shall be excluded in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, for the purpose of discussing the above-mentioned items.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that discussions on Contract Negotiations be conducted at said Closed Session shall be disclosed when the matters discussed are resolved and this meeting shall continue in approximately 20 minutes.

Offered for adoption by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Walling

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Bolte, Sefcik, Hill, Sheridan, Walling, Kovacs

Nays:

Absent:

Council went into closed session at 6:40 PM and this meeting was reconvened at 7:12 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

PRESENTATIONS

1. Realty Appraisals by Neil Rubenstein
2. Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey by Gary Linington

Neil Rubenstein - on behalf of Realty Appraisals suggested residents look at the property record card. They will be taking appointments to discuss this week and next week.

Reval has to be completed by March 10, 2009. He encouraged property owners to come in to discuss their property.

Realty Appraisals got into 91% of the properties.

Equalization must be struck by March 10th in order to know assessments and what each municipality must pay.

Mike Lane asked if one can obtain property record cards before the meeting. Mr. Rubenstein replied no; you can see it at the meeting. Not public record right now, until numbers are certified.

Steps - 1. meeting with Realty appraisals
2. May 1st to file a formal appeal at the County level.

If considering scheduling a meeting must do so before numbers have been certified. Date of value is October 1, 2008

Gary Lington for Visiting Nurse Association located at 35 Broad Street - a separate entity from VNA in Red Bank. Primary Care Center has been there for twelve years. VNA offers pre-natal to geriatric care. Has a federal guideline scale based on income. It is a 503C - non profit agency.

PROCLAMATION

Designating the Month of March as "Women's History Month"

Mayor Bergen read Proclamation for Women's History Month.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 4, 2006 - Executive Session

Offered for adoption by Mr. Sheridan, seconded by Ms. Bolte

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Councilmembers Sheridan, Walling, Kovacs
Nays:
Absent:
Abstain: Councilmembers Bolte, Sefcik, Hill,

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. Letter from KBA Secretary Nina Jeandron requesting:
 - a. Macabre Manor event held every Friday and Saturday evening in October
 - b. permission to keep their display from last year in the building
 - c. a sit down with Tony Vecchio to discuss some additional options for this year's event

Motion to refer to Administration and Buildings and Grounds Committee moved by Mr. Kovacs, second by Mr. Sheridan with ayes by all present.

Mayor stated he is concerned about some indemnification.

2. Application for a Raffle License from the Keyport Indians, Inc. for an on-premise 50/50 cash raffle to be held on various dates (mostly Sundays) from August to June 2009 at the Keyport High School Football Field

3. Application for a Raffle License from the Keyport Indians, Inc. for an on-premise 50/50 cash raffle to be held on April 18, 2009 and April 25, 2009 at the VFW Hall
4. Application for a Raffle License from the Keyport Indians, Inc. for an off-premise merchandise raffle to be held on October 12, 2009 at the VFW Hall
5. Application for a Raffle License from the Organization for the Unity of the Puerto Ricans of Keyport (Spanish-American Club) for an on-premise 50/50 cash raffle to be held on August 8, 2009.

Motion to approve moved by Mr. Walling second by Mr. Hill with ayes by all present.

6. Letter from the Reverend of Jesus the Lord Church regarding two processions during their Holy Week celebration:
 - a. Palm Sunday Procession, April 5th - 11:15AM - 12Noon
 - b. Good Friday Procession, April 10th - 4:15PM - 5:15PM

Motion to refer to Administrator and Chief of Police moved by Mr. Kovacs, second by Mr. Sheridan with ayes by all present.

7. Letter from the Organization for the Unity of the Puerto Ricans of Keyport, NJ, Inc. requesting:
 - a. the use of Beach Park on August 9, 2009 from 12Noon to 8PM for their 11th Annual Spanish American Festival
 - b. the closing of First Street between Church Street and Broad Street
 - c. the use of the Borough picnic tables for the festival
8. Application for a Social Affairs Permit from Keyport Spanish-American Club for their Spanish American Festival to be held at Beach Front Park on August 8th from 12 Noon - 8PM

Motion to refer to Administration moved by Mr. Sheridan, second by Mr. Kovacs with ayes by all present.

9. Letter from M & S Waste Services confirming extension of Solid Waste and Recycling contract until March 31, 2009

Motion to receive and file moved by Ms. Bolte, second by Ms. Sefcik with ayes by all present.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Kovacs asked about using Dr. Alexander again for First Aid and Fire Department physicals; Administrator will check on this and report back.

Ms. Bolte - Kiwanis letter to use park for flea market; has concerns about the garbage and squatters who come even when flea market is not in progress. Looking to start in April. Mayor stated he wants a meeting to be scheduled with the Kiwanis Club.

Mr. Sheridan is more interested in allowing a month-to-month approval.

Mayor appointed Eleanor Fischer to the Library Board.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Wright reported on the following:

- Waterfront Park
- union negotiations going forward
- working on budget would like to share with Finance Committee and Mayor
- Borough closed Monday due to weather

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney had nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Sefcik thanked all who attended February 26th Art Forum; will work together for an Art Forum or Art Council. The next meeting is March 29th.

Mr. Sheridan thanked the following groups:

- DPW for all their work during the snow storm.
- Everyone for the work on the ambulance specs
- Cub Scout Group 364; for inviting Mayor and council to their awards ceremony
- Mayor for his support in trying to keep St. Joseph School open

Mr. Walling spoke regarding an email situation of an employee. Employee was told not to respond. Wants a rice notice served so she can come in.

Mr. Kovacs thanked DPW for all their work during the storm.

RESOLUTIONS

2. Resolution No. 75-09 Authorizing Payment Plan
3. Resolution No. 76-09 Authorizing Reduction of Performance Bond - 417 Associates
4. Resolution No. 77-09 Approving Participation with the State of New Jersey in a Safe and Secure Communities Program Administered by the Division of Criminal Justice, Department of Law and Public Safety
5. Resolution No. 78-09 Authorizing Payment of NPP Grant monies for a Commercial Match Grant
6. Resolution No. 79-09 Authorizing the Lease of the Senior Center in Keyport to Interfaith Neighbors for a Nutrition Program
7. Resolution No. 80-09 Authorizing Acceptance of Grant Agreement Between the Borough of Keyport and the County of Monmouth
8. Resolution No. 81-09 Payment of Bills
9. Resolution No. 82-09 Prepare an agreement to use water only for public purpose Keyport Garden Club
10. Resolution No. 83-09 Appointment Eleanor Fischer to the Library Board
11. Resolution No. 85-09 Resolution of Support Opposing the Closing of St Joseph School
12. Resolution No. 86-09 Authorizing Change of Fees for Recreation and Boat Launch fees

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting was opened to the public for comments or questions at 8:06 P.M.

Resident, First Street is concerned about the early start of music last year before festival began. Also does not want Macabre Manor to preclude Borough use of old municipal building.

Mike Lane, 51 First Street, concerned about bulletin board clutter and absence of agenda on website and bulletin board.

There being no more comments or questions from the public, the meeting was closed at 8:11 P.M.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS

Motion on the Consent Agenda made by Mr. Sheridan, second by Ms. Sefcik.

Roll Call: Ayes: Councilmembers Bolte, Sefcik, Hill, Kovacs, Sheridan,
Walling

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent:

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made and carried at 8:12 PM with ayes by all present.