

MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 17, 2014
7:00 p.m.

In compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:4, Open Public Meetings Law, notice was given to two newspapers and posted, that a council meeting of the Mayor and Council was scheduled for Thursday, July 17, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. to take place at the Borough Hall, 438 West Evesham Avenue, Magnolia, NJ. The Municipal Clerk took the roll call and showed that all were present with the exception of Councilman Michielli who gave prior notice. Present also were the interim Solicitor Dan Long and Mark Basehore, Engineer.

Motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to approve the meeting minutes and executive minutes for the June 19, 2014 meeting. All Council voted aye.

No old business.

New Business:

The owner of the business license application for Komfort & Kare was present. The location is 424 White Horse Pike. He explained the business has been active for the last 12 years for medical supplies. There would be a façade renovation to the building and he is under contract to purchase the property. He would close his other location and be calling Magnolia his new business location. He will be open 7 days. A motion was made by Councilman Whalen to approve the business license, seconded by Councilwoman Martz conditioned upon the taxes being paid at the settlement of the property. All Council voted aye.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martz, seconded by Councilman Whalen to open the public hearing for Ordinance 2014:05 to amend the rental fees for the community center. The increase is \$50. for resident and non-resident fees effective with all new applications made after August 1. No one from the public spoke. A motion was made by Councilwoman Martz, seconded by Councilman Whalen to close the public portion with all Council voting aye.

A motion was made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Ordinance 2014:05 with all Council voting aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Resolution 2014:115 to authorize maintenance liens. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2014:116 to appoint the substitute municipal judge at \$516.92 per session to be Kristen McCrink effective July 1, 2014. All Council voted aye by roll call vote. She was sworn in by Mayor Cowling-Carson along with Councilman DePrince.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman DePrince to adopt Resolution 2014:117 to authorize a 100% disabled veteran for George Johnson of 512 Bryant Avenue and to cancel the 2014 taxes. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman Wilson to adopt Resolution 2014:117A to authorize a 100% disabled veteran for Stanley Eveanowsky of 724 W. Jackson Avenue and to cancel the 2014 taxes. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2014:118 to appoint crossing guards for the quarter. All Council voted aye by roll call vote with the exception of Councilman Wilson who abstained.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2014:119 to appoint the quarterly SLEOs. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2014:120 to appoint SLEO II Matthew Wolf. All Council voted aye by roll call vote. The officer was sworn in by the Mayor and Councilman DePrince.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman DePrince to adopt Resolution 2014:121 to authorize the tax collector to extend the 3rd quarter tax payment to August 20, 2014 with the grace period to September 3, 2014. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Committee Reports

Councilman DePrince reported the Emergency Operations Plan was completed and is ready for review by Council.

Councilman Whalen stated the tax bill date has been extended. There will be helpers brought in to stuff the tax bills this week. The interlocal with Lawnside for tax collector services has been working well.

Councilwoman Bonamassa asked for a resolution to appoint a part time laborer to DPW who has a CDL. Councilwoman Bonamassa made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2014:122 to appoint Andrew Dobbins as a part time laborer with DPW. He has worked with DPW prior for a few years and his starting rate will be \$12.00 per hour. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Councilwoman Bonamassa introduced Nick D'Amico and he introduced the new person who would be contracted to support the server for the borough hall. The representative spoke of the new proposed hardware and software updates which would happen a few months after his appointment. He would be appointed at the August 21 meeting.

Councilwoman Martz read the nuisance inspector report. She stated the Planning Board this month is reviewing the completeness application for the FedEx site.

Councilman Wilson stated all buildings have been approved by the Fire Marshal. The CDBG meeting for this month was canceled.

The Mayor reported the narcan class took place at the Rec Center. She noted the carpeting on the second floor needs possible replacement. She reported on the 4th of July, and a complaint about the Landen Park basketball area. National Night out will be August 5 and softball teams are ready. The first meeting of the 100th Anniversary celebration took place with about 18 people present. The next meeting will be on July 31 at 7pm. She read a letter from the Center for Family Services stating they are not seeking the St. Greg's site for their location. She also stated the blessing of the ambulance will take place on Aug 31 at 4pm.

The Engineer stated he submitted his report in writing. He asked for a resolution to award the low bid for Lincoln Avenue to Cardinal Paving.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman DePrince to adopt Resolution 2014:122 to award the low bid for Lincoln Avenue to Cardinal Paving of South Hampton. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

The Solicitor stated he only had information to discuss in Closed Session related to possible litigation with Walmart and litigation with John D'Anastasio.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martz, seconded by Councilman Whalen to open the meeting to the public. All Council voted aye.

At this time the representatives were present from the Magnolia Little League. They were invited to discuss how their 2014 season went and what they propose for the 2015 season. John DiBartolomeo, the President was present with his board members. He stated this year they had no major team, 1 minor league, 1 coach pitch, and 4 T-ball teams. Next year they propose a major team, an additional minor league team, an additional coach pitch team and the same T-ball teams. They confirmed the snack stand was open for use but still had work to be completed. Not that the season is done they would have time to finish the snack stand. They needed to complete the siding and the exterior stairway. It would be done in a few weeks. The County was spoken to and approved the heating and air conditioning for both floors of the snack stand. The A/C unit would be under the exterior stairs. There would also be an overhand for the snack stand area. They are financially ok with the grant money to complete this work.

The group spoke about the field use, and they stated they did not want a new field to be built at the site of the old senior field. The conditions of the minor league field and the playground area were discussed and pictures were shown by the Clerk.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman DePrince to close the public portion. All Council voted aye.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to pay the bills. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2014:114 to go into Closed Session for discussion of possible litigation involving WalMart and litigation with John D'Anastasio. All Council voted aye.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to come out of Closed Session with all Council voting aye.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Resolution 2014:123 to appoint Daniel H. Long as the Solicitor for the remaining period of 2014. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2014:123A to appoint Kathy Scallatini as the Court Sound Recorder with all Council voting aye.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Resolution 2014:123B to authorize the execution of the Laurel Spring Shared Service Agreement where Magnolia will offer Deputy Court Administrator services to them. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Resolution 2014:123C for a Chapter 159 for the \$200,000. in DOT funds for West Lincoln Avenue. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Bonamassa to adjourn the meeting with all Council voting aye.

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