

**MINUTES**  
**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MAY 16, 2013**  
**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, May 16, 2013 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 Wilson and Michielli who had provided prior notice of their absence. Present also were the Engineer Mr. Basehore and the Solicitor Mr. Kennedy.

Old Business:

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Bonamassa to open the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2013:05 to amend the Fire Prevention Code with all Council voting aye. No one from the public spoke. Motion made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman Whalen to close the Public Hearing with all Council voting aye. A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Ordinance 2013:05 with all Council voting aye by roll call vote.

New Business:

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Resolution 2013:85 to cancel outstanding Court checks totaling \$203.91. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bonamassa, seconded by Councilman DePrince to adopt Resolution 2013:86 to appoint DPW part time laborers Jeremiah Clark effective as May 13, 2013 at a rate of \$9.00 and James Lewis effective May 08, 2013 at a rate of \$8.75 with all voting aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2013:87 to authorize the execution of the Transfer Agreement to Moorestown of Officer Andrew Weist effective June 28, 2013. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bonamassa, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2013:88 for a Chapter 159 for the Clean Communities Grant in the amount of \$8,107.72. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Resolution 2013:89 for a Chapter 159 for the Body Armor Grant in the amount of \$377.00. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Resolution 2013:90 to authorize execution of the Interlocal Agreement for Fire & Rescue Services with Lawnside. All Council voted aye.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martz, seconded by Councilwoman Bonamassa to adopt Resolution 2013:91 for maintenance liens by DPW. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilman Whalen to adopt Resolution 2013:92 to authorize the disposal of vehicles at the DPW complex as junk and no longer needed and having to value. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Committee Reports:

Councilman DePrince reported the Safety Committee held their meeting a few weeks ago. The Public Safety Committee has met concerning the new fire truck and ambulance. No State Contract for the ambulance but they are reviewing the one State Contract for the fire truck. The ambulance association is making a donation for equipment in the new ambulance.

Councilman Whalen reported the audit was complete for 2012 and the Exit Conference is set up for June 7. There were no findings in the 2012 audit. The first reading for the bond ordinance will take place this evening. The ordinance will fund the fire truck, ambulance and some park improvements.

Motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilman DePrince to introduce Ordinance 2013:07 for the bond to finance the fire truck, ambulance and recreational field improvements. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

Councilwoman Bonamassa stated SJTP have received the switches and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July info is on the website. She discussed the field improvements at the rec center.

Councilwoman Martz reported the old Getty station on the White Horse Pike and Evesham Avenue was sold. She also requested to introduce the amendments recommended by the Planning Board relating to the sign ordinance.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martz, seconded by Councilman DePrince to introduce Ordinance 2013:06 to amend the sign ordinance as recommended by the Planning Board. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

The Engineer reported Diamond Construction was completing their punch list. CurbCon contractor has begun work. He reported the State did not award the prior applications for road work to Magnolia. He recommended applying for Discretionary Aid for the same West Brooke Avenue Project.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Bonamassa to adopt Resolution 2013:93 to authorize the Engineer to make the Discretionary Aid Application to the State. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

The Solicitor stated last Friday were the tax appeal hearings with the County Tax Board. All 12 were settled. There is one left for which is a State Tax Appeal.

The Mayor inquired about the RR tie piled along the tracks. The Clerk would reach out to Conrail. She stated there was a meeting in Somerdale for electric supplier information if anyone wanted to attend. She reported the Magnolia metals were ready for presentation on July 4. There is a recreation meeting this Sunday. She attended the Council Meeting in Laurel Springs celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Magnolia will begin their preparation for their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. August National Night Out is being planned with Little League, Girls Softball, DPW and Emergency Services. Memorial Day plans are completed.

A motion by Councilwoman Bonamassa, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to open the public portion of the meeting with all Council voting aye.

Fire Chief Wolf inquired to two unsafe vacant homes. The Construction Official would take care of this by inspecting and posting proper notices if needed.

A motion was made by Councilman DePrince, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to close the public portion with all Council voting aye.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to authorize the payment of the bills as listed. All Council voted aye by roll call vote.

A motion was made by Councilman Whalen, seconded by Councilwoman Martz to adopt Resolution 2013:84 to enter into Executive Session to discuss negotiations for a tax abatement request. All Council voted aye.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bonamassa, seconded by Councilman Whalen to come out of Executive Session with all Council voting aye.

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