

JULY 3, 2012

PAULSBORO, N.J.

7:00 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING

Council Chamber:

Mayor Hamilton presided at the regular meeting of Council held on the above date and place.

The Opening Prayer was given by Mayor Hamilton.

Mayor Hamilton asked all those present to join in the salute to the flag, which was conducted by Borough Clerk VanScoy.

Mayor Hamilton called the meeting to order.

Borough Clerk VanScoy read the opening statement regarding the Open Public Meetings Act.

Members present were: Giovannitti, Giampola, Haynes, Kidd, Turner. Absent: Stevenson (excused).

Mayor Hamilton opened the floor to the public.

William Sharper, 215 West Broad Street, stated he had a cook out on Saturday at his house around 2:00 p.m. and he called the Police Department to have his sister removed. He has received citations. He felt the Officer needed to go back to school for sensitivity training.

Mayor Hamilton asked Mr. Sharper to speak with Chief Wachter and/or Captain Marino to see what the problem is.

Ken Norris, 445 Summit Avenue, thanked Mayor and Council for the quietness of his area and he also commended them on the lighting at the Paulsboro Plaza.

Laura Gilmore, Benny's on the Rail, stated she is present to contest the closing of her establishment on Friday and Saturday nights at 12:00 a.m. She felt she was being personally attacked and that certain people want her to go out of business. She has let all her employees go and she felt she was going beyond to secure her business. She has spent \$21,000 on security; she has metal detectors and pat downs and checks identifications. She does feel Chief Wachter has tried to work with her but others in the Police Department are working against her.

Mayor Hamilton asked Miss Gilmore to wait as Mayor and Council will be reviewing this matter later and will have a decision.

Shawn Jackson, Lee Security, stated he is the head of security at the establishment and they have been cited for underage drinking. He further stated in other towns the Police will close the bar down at the time the underage drinking is noticed. He has never seen where a citation is sent in the mail two weeks later.

Mayor Hamilton asked him to see Chief Wachter about this matter.

George Gallenthin, has property on the Delaware River, stated someone has placed 500 feet of dirt on his railroad. He felt this will cause litigation and wanted the rails cleared.

Michelle Labrant, Sicklerville, Bartender at Benny's on the Rail, stated she personally checks identifications and she tries to make sure she is aware of everything and she even checks with the bouncers. She doesn't know why the bar is being treated this way.

There wasn't any further public participation.

R. #138.12: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS OUT OF THE 2012 BUDGET. Giovannitti moved and Giampola seconded to pay all bills properly signed and adopt R. #138.12. Roll call: Ayes: Giovannitti, Giampola, Haynes, Kidd, Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Minutes of a Work Session Meeting held on June 18, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. Giovannitti moved and Haynes seconded to receive, file and adopt the above minutes. All were in favor of the motion.

R. #139.12: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET IN THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY PURSUANT TO N.J.S. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948). (Alcohol Education Rehabilitation Enforcement Fund DWI.) Giovannitti moved and Haynes seconded to adopt R. #139.12. Roll call: Ayes: Giovannitti, Giampola, Haynes, Kidd, Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #140.12: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR ALLOWANCE OF A SENIOR CITIZEN DEDUCTION. Giovannitti moved and Giampola seconded to adopt R. #140.12. Roll call: Ayes: Giovannitti, Giampola, Haynes, Kidd, Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #141.12: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN BALANCES ON WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNTS. Giovannitti moved and Haynes seconded to adopt R. #141.12. Roll call: Ayes: Giovannitti, Giampola, Haynes,

Kidd, Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Summary of reports and copies of minutes of meetings. Giovannitti moved and Giampola seconded to receive and file. All were in favor of the motion.

Letter from Diane E. Zalaskus, State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, regarding Permit to Operate. Giovannitti moved and Giampola seconded to receive and file the letter. All were in favor of the motion.

Administrator Salvatore explained there are new calculations in order to run the treatment plant and it was elevated from a Level 3 License to a Level 4 License. John Daly is grandfathered but Mike Reed has a Level 3 and will ultimately need to receive a Level 4 License.

Memo from Chief Chris T. Wachter requesting Agency College Internship.

Councilman Kidd questioned if any Paulsboro residents were aware of this program.

Chief Wachter stated there have been two (2) other Paulsboro residents and this is the 5th one altogether. This program is through the College and Paulsboro is on the list for Rowan and Widener Universities. This is a course program and three (3) college credits can be obtained.

Giampola moved and Haynes seconded to receive, file the memo and go with the Chief's recommendation. All were in favor of the motion.

Memo from Chief Chris T. Wachter requesting Executive Session Meeting. Haynes moved and Giampola seconded to receive and file the memo. All were in favor of the motion.

R. #142.12: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. Haynes moved and Giampola seconded to adopt R. #142.12. Roll call: Ayes: Giovannitti, Giampola, Haynes, Kidd, Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

1. Discussion regarding potential candidates for Special Law Enforcement Officer Class II.

Vehicle Auction Results Report – June 21, 2012. Giampola moved and Giovannitti seconded to receive and file the report. All were in favor of the motion.

Received NJ State Firemen's Membership Application for Thomas H. Gouse. Giovannitti moved and Haynes seconded to receive, file and approve the application. All were in favor of the motion.

Paul House – Gill Memorial Library Project Report – June 22, 2012. Giovannitti moved

and Haynes seconded to receive and file the report. All were in favor of the motion.

Administrator Salvatore explained Dr. Quint is looking for authorization to change the scope of the project. Dr. Quint is changing the scope of the project to move the library addition to the Gill Memorial Library rather than the Paul House.

Councilman Haynes questioned the costs involved.

Administrator Salvatore that the money has been allocated which included the Library's money, the matching funds for the USDA funds, spent ½ of the NJDOT funding but the question is if the Borough can bring the funding across to the Gill Memorial Library. This is requested due to the Paul House property not being a suitable site for construction as the improvement to this land will require extensive flood plain remediation, archeological investigations/excavations, and require costly permits.

Councilman Kidd hoped the Paul house will be secured so that no one is able to get inside. He suggested the Borough also look at the property next to the Gill Memorial Library.

Mayor and Council further discussed the scope of this project.

Haynes moved and Kidd seconded to go along with Dr. Quint's recommendation in changing the scope of the project. All were in favor of the motion.

OLD BUSINESS:

Councilman Giampola questioned the status of the Cameli issue on Delaware Street and if anything has been done.

Mayor Hamilton stated he will get a follow up report.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Kidd stated he asked Mr. Kamp about the status of the Delaware Street issue and told him to make it a top priority.

Councilman Kidd also stated there is too much pointing fingers and nothing is getting done which can get confusing. He thanked the ladies in the front office and hoped the Delaware Street issue is moving forward.

Councilwoman Turner stated she is working with the Borough employees to clean up the parks and has asked the County to assist. She further stated she is new on Council and is working with the new and old members of Council. She thanked the Police Department. She stated it takes time to make change and to bear with Council.

Councilwoman Turner also stated the Adams Street and Berkley Road properties are being addressed and asked everyone to look around to see a difference.

Councilwoman Turner wished everyone a Happy 4th of July and hoped to see everyone at the Parade.

Councilman Giampola stated the Borough is holding the Fourth of July Parade at 10:00 a.m. and the line up will start at the Paulsboro Plaza.

Councilman Giampola thanked the Senior League Baseball Team with their assistance in the "Clean Up" on Saturday, June 30th and he will be preparing certificates to give to the kids as well as Phil Scott and Warren Adams.

Councilman Haynes stated the Engineers have informed Mayor and Council that the manhole cover at Delaware and Adams Streets is in bad shape and is ready to collapse. The Engineer is working on request for qualifications (RFQS) to have the emergency work done.

Councilman Haynes also stated the Water Treatment Plant is on line as of June 15th and they are making headway.

Councilman Haynes further stated there was a problem with the steel delivery at the Water Tower project which will be back on July 15th. The Contractor has given his commitment to expedite the project.

Councilman Haynes wished everyone a Happy 4th of July and asked everyone to stay safe.

Council President Giovannitti stated the individual was caught in the murder of Mrs. Sweeten and the credit goes to the Administration and the Detectives in apprehending the suspect.

Council President Giovannitti thanked Mayor Hamilton for asking for his assistance with the "Clean Up" which took a couple of hours.

Council President Giovannitti stated at Fort Billings Park there is a bench which wasn't able to see the river. He had the Borough employees clear ½ of the brush.

Council President Giovannitti stated the Borough has hired a new employee who will be performing the vehicle maintenance.

Council President Giovannitti also stated he sees progress and credits the Departments and asked Mayor and Council to follow up. He thanked Borough Foreman Tinder and Councilman Haynes for their assistance in the 'Clean Up' which Councilman Haynes had the State sweep Broad Street.

Council President Giovannitti further stated he had some people apply for part time work which he wanted to add their names to the substitute list and their names are as follows:

1. Ed Swift
2. Rick Eli

Giovannitti moved and Haynes seconded to add the above two (2) names to the part time substitute list in the Street and Highway Department. All were in favor of the motion.

Mayor Hamilton stated the Senior League Baseball Team assisted with the “Clean Up” which received \$500.00 from the County. He asked anyone who was interested in doing a “Clean Up” to come forward to come out once a month to sweep and clean up the Community. It takes community involvement and to please come out.

Mayor Hamilton thanked Chief Wachter, Captain Marino, the Detectives, the State Police and County Prosecutors Office in capturing the suspect in the murder.

Mayor Hamilton discussed the letter that was received today from Owen Haynes, Sr. of the Riverside Inn who requested his restrictions are lifted for a one day event on July 14th.

Giovannitti moved and Giampola seconded to approve the request of Owen Haynes, Sr. of the Riverside Inn to lift the restrictions of a one day event on July 14th. All were in favor of the motion except Haynes abstained.

Mayor Hamilton discussed the restriction that was placed on Benny’s on the Rail at renewal time to close at 12:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday nights.

R. #143.12: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO RELAXING SPECIAL CONDITIONS IMPOSED BY RESOLUTION NO. 132.12 FOR PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE WITH BROAD PACKAGE PRIVILEGE #0814-32-010-004 T/A BENNY’S ON THE RAIL. Giampola moved and Giovannitti seconded to adopt R. #143.12. Roll call: Ayes: Giovannitti, Giampola, Haynes, Kidd, Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Hamilton thanked everyone for coming out and wished everyone a Happy 4th of July.

Administrator Salvatore stated the Ordinance requires him to report to Mayor and Council regarding the Bond Anticipation Notes. He has solicited interest rate quotes on \$1,957,500 and the lowest quote was .93% for the Essex Chemical Purchase and he also received .93 % on \$1,280,000 for the Water Treatment Plant which will close out in three (3) months.

Administrator Salvatore stated the first pay of July will be with the new Payroll Company.

Administrator Salvatore also discussed the emergency situation of the Delaware Street sanitary manhole replacement.

R. #144.12: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AUTHORIZING THE FINDING OF A DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY FOR THE DELAWARE AND ADAMS STREETS SANITARY SEWER MANOLE REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ENGINEER AND BOROUGH OFFICIALS TO IMMEDIATELY RECEIVE QUOTATIONS FOR ITS REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT. Haynes moved and Giovannitti seconded to adopt R. #144.12. Roll call: Ayes: Giovannitti, Giampola, Haynes, Kidd, Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Administrator Salvatore stated the AFSCME contract negotiations have been completed at the same rates as the Police Union contract.

R. #145.12: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY, MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES (AFSCME) LOCAL 3303-C AND THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. Giovannitti moved and Haynes seconded to adopt R. #145.12. Roll call: Ayes: Giovannitti, Giampola, Haynes, Kidd, Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Administrator Salvatore discussed the issue of televisions being put curbside and drafted a proposal. He is asking the Street and Highway Committee to review the proposal and get back to him.

Administrator Salvatore stated now that the union contract negotiations have been completed, he is asking to introduce the Salary Ordinance.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING:

O. #06.12: AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT SALARY ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. Giovannitti moved and Haynes seconded to adopt O. #06.12 on introduction and first reading and schedule the second reading and public hearing on July 16, 2012. Roll call: Ayes: Giovannitti, Giampola, Haynes, Kidd, Turner. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Councilman Haynes asked to send a thank you letter to the NJDOT for their quick response in getting Broad Street swept. He will get the information to the Borough Clerk.

Giovannitti moved and Haynes seconded to send a thank you letter to the NJDOT. All were in favor of the motion.

Councilman Haynes stated he will be presenting a name for the Water and Sewer Department position at the next Work Session meeting.

At 8:15 p.m., Mayor and Council recessed the meeting before going into Executive Session.

Mayor and Council reconvened at 8:21 p.m. in Executive Session.

Mayor and Council came out of Executive Session at 8:49 p.m.

Giovannitti moved and Giampola seconded to approve the Chief's recommendation to hire Colby Bryszewski, William Reichert and Aaron Younger. All were in favor of the motion.

There wasn't any further Borough business.

Giampola moved and Kidd seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

This is a brief summary of the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Paulsboro held on July 3, 2012 and should not be considered a verbatim transcript of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy A. VanScoy, RMC/CMC
Borough Clerk

W. Jeffery Hamilton, Mayor