

SEPTEMBER 6, 2011

PAULSBORO, N.J.

7:00 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING

Council Chamber:

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

Mayor Burzichelli called the meeting to order.

Mayor Burzichelli read the opening statement regarding the Open Public Meetings Act.

Mayor Burzichelli recited "Harry Truman's Prayer" as the opening prayer.

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

Members present were: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina. Absent: Tedeski (excused).

Swearing In: Police Chief Chris Wachter.

At this time, Mayor Burzichelli performed the Swearing in of Police Chief Chris Wachter.

Chief Wachter thanked former Chiefs' Grogan and Ridinger. He felt the officers were the hardest working officers around. He also thanked his family. He will be continuing the tradition of the relationship with the community and hopes to take it to the next level.

Mayor Burzichelli recognized former Chiefs' Grogan and Ridinger and he was proud of the leadership of the department. He thanked the Police Department for their excellent job during the earthquake and the hurricane.

Mayor Burzichelli requested a recess at 7:11 p.m.

Mayor and Council reconvened the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Mayor Burzichelli opened the floor to the public.

Barry Corradetti, 1820 Overbrook Avenue, thanked Mayor and Council for the National Night Out Event that was held on August 2, 2011 especially Councilwoman Tedeski and

Councilman Giovannitti. He also thanked the Borough Foreman and the Street and Highway employees as well as the Volunteer Fire Department. It was great to see everyone helping each other and working together in putting this event together. He felt there was a good turnout at National Night Out.

Marc Kamp, 250 West Broad Street, wanted to remind everyone that Saturday is Paulsboro Day and asked everyone to stop by.

Terrance Jones from Mullica Hill stated he was contacted by residents of Paulsboro to complain about police misconduct and abuse. He was surprised as people are afraid of the Police. He has heard lots of stories regarding the police abusing their powers, excessive force, etc. He further discussed an incident that was caught on video which he submitted an OPRA request to obtain a copy of the video which was denied.

Mayor Burzichelli stated this was not the appropriate forum for this type of discussion. He informed Mr. Jones that the Borough of Paulsboro will follow all the rules in regards to OPRA requests and the cooperation will be there but to stay the course.

Mr. Jones stated that particular incident caused four or five more complaints.

Mayor Burzichelli again stated this was not the right forum.

Mr. Jones stated he will respect the Mayor's wishes but that he asked to hand deliver a complaint against the former Chief, new current Chief and the Sergeant.

Mayor Burzichelli stated he can't receive the complaint as he is not able to process it.

Mr. Jones again stated he would like to hand deliver the complaint to Mayor Burzichelli.

Mayor Burzichelli informed him not to give it to him but to go through the proper process.

Mr. Jones stated Paulsboro has a serious problem and will do a march here and bring the newspaper. He will follow the procedures for a march.

Mayor Burzichelli stated he can do whatever he has to do but the process will be followed.

There wasn't any further public participation.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 5, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of a Work Session Meeting held on July 18, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes of a Special Meeting held on August 16, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file and approve the above minutes. All

were in favor of the motion except Haynes abstained on the July 5th minutes.

R. #130.11: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS OUT OF THE 2011 BUDGET FOR AUGUST 2nd & 15th, 2011. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to pay all bills properly signed and adopt R. #130.11. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R #131.11: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS OUT OF THE 2011 BUDGET. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to pay all bills properly signed and adopt R. #131.11. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #132.11: 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). Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #132.11. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #133.11: 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). Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #133.11. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #134.11: RESOLUTION ALLOWING EXTENSION OF GRACE PERIOD FOR 3RD QUARTER 2011 TAXES. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #134.11. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #135.11: RESOLUTION TO CANCEL BALANCES ON CERTAIN TAX PROPERTIES.

R. #136.11: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR DISALLOWANCE OF A SENIOR CITIZEN DEDUCTION.

R. #137.11: RESOLUTION CANCELLING PROPERTY TAXES AND AUTHORIZING REFUND FOR TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN.

R. #138.11: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO TO CORRECT TAX BILLING ON BLOCK 90 LOT 23 FOR THE YEAR 2010.

R. #139.11: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN BALANCES ON WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNTS.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #135.11, #136.11, #137.11, #138.11

and #139.11. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina. Nays: None.
Motion carried.

R. #140.11: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE RENEWAL OF A PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE #0814-33-016-010 PPN INVESTMENT CORPORATION T/A ROCKING STONE IRISH PUB & GRILL. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #140.11. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

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

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Letters from Tax Collector Barbara Sockwell to NJ Division of Local Government Services and Gloucester County Board of Taxation regarding 3rd quarter 2011 installment. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the letters. All were in favor of the motion.

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Letter from Mary F. Simpson, Acting Chief, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Southern Bureau of Water Compliance & Enforcement, regarding Administrative Order and Notice of Civil Administrative Assessment, Paulsboro Water Treatment Plant. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the letter. All were in favor of the motion.

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Received Best Practices Worksheet CY2011. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the worksheet. All were in favor of the motion.

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Letter from Charles W. Kulbacki regarding retirement. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file the letter and invite him in to receive a nice proclamation. All were in favor of the motion.

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Letter from Glenn C. Folker regarding retirement. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file the letter and invite him in to receive a nice proclamation. All were in favor of the motion.

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Letter from Tambria Swift, Gateway Community Action Partnership, requesting sign for child safety. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file the letter and turn this over to the Police Department for their review and recommendation. All were in favor of the motion.

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Hurricane Irene Report from Emergency Management Coordinator Glenn Roemmich. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the report. All were in favor of the motion.

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Mayor Burzichelli thanked Emergency Management Coordinator Glenn Roemmich for

coordinating Hurricane Irene and filing the report.

- Email from Matt McQuaide, Kimmel-Bogrette, recommending awarding the Paul House Stabilization Project to MD Remodeling. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the email. All were in favor of the motion.

R. #141.11: RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 126.11, AWARDING THE PAUL HOUSE STABILIZATION CONTRACT TO MINNITI CONSTRUCTION. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #141.11. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Morina. Nays: None. Abstained: Kidd. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Burzichelli explained there was paperwork missing from Mr. Minniti's bid.

- **R. #142.11: RESOLUTION AWARDING THE PAUL HOUSE STABILIZATION PROJECT TO MD REMODELING, LLC.** Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #142.11. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Morina. Nays: None. Abstained: Kidd. **Motion carried.**

- **OLD BUSINESS:** There wasn't any old business at this time.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Giovannitti congratulated Chief Wachter and the two retirees.

Councilman Giovannitti stated an advertisement was in the newspaper for part time employment and the deadline is Friday and he will have this discussion at the next work session meeting.

Councilman Giovannitti discussed the purchase of two vehicles from a business in town. The vehicles are a Utility Truck with a compressor and a Stake Body at a total cost of \$6,000.

Councilman Giovannitti asked to advertise for Full Time personnel in the Street and Highway Department.

Giovannitti moved and Haynes seconded to advertise the hiring of Full Time personnel in the Street and High Department. All were in favor of the motion.

Councilman Giovannitti discussed the Transportation Trust Grant and what streets will be named. He suggested submitting an application for the rest of Billings Avenue as well as Beacon Avenue. Councilman Hamilton will submit another street name at a future date.

R. #143.11: RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT

APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF BILLINGS AVENUE PHASE V PROJECT.

R. #144.11: RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF BEACON AVENUE PROJECT.

R. #145.11: RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A STREET TO BE NAMED AT A FUTURE DATE.

Haynes moved and Giovannitti seconded to adopt R. #143.11, #144.11 and #145.11. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Councilman Giovannitti thanked Borough Foreman Tinder, Bill Virden, the Police Department and the Fire Department as they were out during the hurricane.

He also thanked Water and Sewer Superintendent Daly and Borough Foreman Tinder for keeping the areas and sewers clear. He further gave “kudos” to Administrator Salvatore for juggling several projects.

Councilman Morina congratulated Chief Wachter.

Councilman Morina thanked Barry Corradetti and the Neighborhood Watch group for National Night Out.

Councilman Morina stated he will be starting up the Crime Free Housing Committee sometime this month.

Councilman Hamilton congratulated Chief Wachter.

Councilman Hamilton thanked the Police Department, the Fire Department and the Street and Highway Department for their vigilance during the hurricane. There were a lot of people without electricity. He further stated the Paulsboro Public Works did a great job.

Councilman Kidd congratulated Chief Wachter.

Councilman Kidd commended the Electric Company workers as some power outages were no more than resetting the transformers.

Councilman Kidd stated a resident came to him to request a three way stop sign at Buck and Chestnut Streets. He will turn this over to the Police Department.

Councilman Kidd discussed the four employees who have retired. He felt something

should be done to recognize the employees such as a proclamation or resolution.

Kidd moved and Haynes seconded to invite the four retirees back at the November regular meeting to be recognized. All were in favor of the motion.

Council President Haynes stated the Water Treatment plant is under construction. He further reported once starting the work, they found re-barb showing. They took core samples as a precautionary measure and will have to wait a couple of weeks for the results.

Council President Haynes congratulated Chief Wachter and he thanked Chief Grogan for his years of service to the department as well as thanked all the Police Officers.

Council President Haynes thanked all the departments on their response during the hurricane.

There wasn't any further Borough business.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 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 September 6, 2011 and should not be considered a verbatim transcript of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy A. VanScoy, RMC/CMC
Borough Clerk

John J. Burzichelli, Mayor