

DECEMBER 15, 2009

PAULSBORO, N.J.

5:00 P.M.

WORK SESSION MEETING

Council Chamber:

Mayor Burzichelli presided at a Work Session Meeting of Council held on the above date and place.

Members present were: Haynes, Giovannitti (arrived at 5:16 p.m.), Hamilton, Kidd, Tedeski. Absent: Morina (excused).

Mayor Burzichelli called the meeting to order.

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

Mayor Burzichelli opened the floor to the public.

Charles Shaw, 334 West Broad Street, discussed his neighbors (the Nail Salon) on Broad Street. He has a court hearing and he questioned the process for his wife to obtain a restraining order against the owner.

Mayor Burzichelli stated he could discuss this matter with the Chief of Police as this was not the place to discuss the matter.

There wasn't any further public participation.

Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on December 1, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file and approve the above minutes. All were in favor of the motion.

R. #164.09: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS OUT OF THE 2009 BUDGET. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to pay all bills properly signed and adopt R. #164.09. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Hamilton, Kidd, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #165.09: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM CERTAIN ACCOUNTS TO OTHER ACCOUNTS IN THE 2009 BUDGET.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #165.09. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Hamilton, Kidd, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #166.09: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN BALANCES IN THE 2009 BUDGET TO SURPLUS. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #166.09. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Hamilton, Kidd, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #167.09: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO TO CANCEL THE OUTSTANDING TAX BALANCE ON BLOCK 58 LOT 12 (762 DELAWARE STREET) FOR THE YEAR 2009. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #167.09. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Hamilton, Kidd, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #168.09: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR USDA WATER AND WASTE DISPOSAL FUNDING UNDER THE BUSINESS AND COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #168.09. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Hamilton, Kidd, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Receipt of Requests for Qualification for Professional Appointments for the year 2010 under a Fair and Open Process (See insert).

Councilwoman Tedeski questioned if Council was just receiving these but not acting on them.

Mayor Burzichelli stated they are just being received.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the proposals. All were in favor of the motion.

Letter from E. Christina Mor'an, Gloucester County Department of Economic Development, regarding CDBG Program Year 2009 Municipal Project Award. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the letter.

Councilman Kidd questioned if the Council was going to receive this and discuss it.

Mayor Burzichelli stated the grant has already been approved.

Councilman Kidd stated he saw it in the newspaper and this grant is approved for a home and all other municipalities were approved for sidewalks, etc. This grant should have come from an historical grant.

Mayor Burzichelli stated this is a community project. An Ordinance was done to borrow the money.

Administrator Salvatore stated the Ordinance was done for the Swindell and Paul acquisition.

All were in favor of the above motion except Kidd abstained.

Received approved Re-Examination of Master Plan.

Letter from Wayne Wurtz, Land Use Board Chairman, regarding Master Plan Re-examination. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the plan and the letter.

Councilman Kidd questioned if this was cut and dry or can Council question this plan.

Mayor Burzichelli stated he was not sure.

Administrator Salvatore stated there isn't any action to be taken on the plan as the Land Use Board took the action. It is re-examined by the Land Use Board and it is done. He further stated the Land Use Board then sent another letter requesting additional items to the plan.

Mayor Burzichelli stated the letter is the Land Use Board's recommendations for future items for consideration to the plan.

Councilman Kidd stated he has an issue with #D on the letter.

(At this time, 5:16 p.m., Councilman Giovannitti arrived for the meeting.)

All were in favor of the above motion except Kidd opposed.

Received Bingo License Application #BA-536 for the Paulsboro Volunteer Fire Association #1, Inc. for their annual Bingos. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file the application and approve the above Bingo License. All were in favor of the motion.

Mayor Burzichelli discussed a stipend of \$1,500.00 to the Emergency Management Coordinator to be retroactive. He thought it had been approved and would have appeared in the 2009 Salary Ordinance.

Mayor Burzichelli stated Chief Grogan has submitted a letter recommending Officer Thigpen be promoted to First Class Patrolman.

R. #170.09: RESOLUTION PROMOTING NICOLE THIGPEN TO THE APPOINTMENT OF PATROLMAN FIRST CLASS IN THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt

R. #170.09: Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Tedeski. Nays: None.
Motion carried.

Mayor Burzichelli stated Chief Grogan submitted a letter regarding the approval of a Fireman by the name of Cherie Ann Pluta.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to approve the fireman application of Cherie Ann Pluta. All were in favor of the motion.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to amend the Bill List to include the stipend of \$1,500.00 for the Emergency Management Coordinator. All were in favor of the motion

R. #169.09: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #169.09. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

The subjects to be discussed in Executive Session are pending litigation in regards to the Suter lawsuit and appeal, tax appeals in regards to NuStar and Pacific Atlantic Terminals and contract negotiations in regards to the PBA Paulsboro Local 122 bargaining unit.

At this time, 5:24 p.m., Mayor and Council went into Executive Session.

At 6:12 p.m., Mayor and Council opened the meeting to the public.

R. #171.09: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO TO ENTER INTO A TAX APPEAL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH NUSTAR ASPHALT REFINING COMPANY. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #171.09. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Tedeski. Nays: None.
Motion carried.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to reconvene in Executive Session at 6:20 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to open the meeting to the public at 6:47 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

Chief Grogan discussed a new camera system as the old system is antiquated. There is an audio issue with the cells in the station. The Police Department needed a new one and there was enough money to purchase a new system which will include two cameras in the court room and one in the parking lot.

Chief Grogan informed Mayor and Council that there is an officer in the hospital. There are questions regarding the prognosis and he is waiting for an update.

Chief Grogan gave an update on the “Norman murder”, the house at 244 West Washington being boarded up and the hiring process which is ongoing. He has received 67 resumes which was limited to certified individuals.

Council President Haynes questioned the overall morale of the Department.

Chief Grogan stated the guys seem to be a little more trusting, more open-minded and it seems to be pretty good.

R. #172.09: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO TO ENTER INTO A TAX APPEAL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH PLAINS AMERICA. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #172.09. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

There wasn't any further Borough business.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

This is a brief summary of the Work Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Paulsboro held on December 15, 2009 and should not be considered a verbatim transcript of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy A. VanScoy, RMC/CMC
Borough Clerk

John J. Burzichelli, Mayor