

SEPTEMBER 4, 2007

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.

Borough Clerk VanScoy 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 led by Borough Clerk VanScoy.

Mayor Burzichelli called the meeting to order.

Members present were: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Absent: None.

Mayor Burzichelli recognized Borough Foreman Charles Tinder, Code Enforcement Officer Keith Hogle, Water & Sewer Superintendent John Daly, and the Police Administration. He further stated Chief Ridinger was not present as he was testifying in a case in Georgia.

Mayor Burzichelli opened the floor to the public.

Barry Corradetti, 1820 Overbrook Avenue, thanked the Borough for funding of the annual clean up that is done. He further thanked Councilwoman Tedeski for her help with the entertainment during the National Night Out event and again thanked the Borough for the funding for that event.

Mr. Corradetti discussed his disappointment in hearing that the Borough was going to decrease the size of the Police Department. He felt more officers were needed and felt the department was doing a fine job.

Mayor Burzichelli stated the Borough was not decreasing the size of the department but the Borough is under budget constraints due to two (2) factors. One factor is the is only allowed to spend so much which is called the CAP and the second factor is that there will be

a tax levy which means the Borough can't raise no more than 4%. In order to raise taxes more than 4% would require a public referendum,

Joe McFadden, 336 Mantua Avenue, questioned the procedure in receiving items for the Paulsboro Little League. He stated they needed more batting cages, etc.

Mayor Burzichelli informed Mr. McFadden to present a projection of what was needed and the cost to Mayor and Council.

There wasn't any further public participation.

Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on June 6, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of a Work Session Meeting held on June 19, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of a Special Meeting held on June 22, 2007 at 12:00 p.m.

Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on July 3, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of a Work Session Meeting held on July 17, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of a Special Meeting held on July 23, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.

Councilman Kidd questioned the minutes of June 6, 2007. He felt more needed to be inserted during Mrs. Armistead's portion of the meeting.

Mayor Burzichelli directed Borough Clerk VanScoy to listen to the tape to see if anymore needed to be inserted in those minutes.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file and approve the above minutes except to tentatively approve the minutes of June 6th once they have been corrected. All were in favor of the motion.

R. #126.07: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS OUT OF THE 2007 BUDGET FOR AUGUST 7th & 21st, 2007. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to pay all bills properly signed and adopt R. #126.07.

Councilman Kidd questioned several bills that pertained to the Neighborhood Preservation Program.

Mayor Burzichelli stated these are residual charges and activity.

Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None.
Motion carried.

R. #127.07: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS OUT OF THE 2007 BUDGET. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to pay all bills properly signed and adopt R. #127.07. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #128.07: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN BALANCES ON WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNTS. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #128.07. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #129.07: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN BALANCES ON WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNTS. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #129.07. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #130.07: 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. #130.07. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

- Councilman Kidd questioned if the person who donated to the NPP Office was aware that the program has ended.

- Mayor Burzichelli stated he would speak with the person who donated directly.

R. #131.07: RESOLUTION ALLOWING EXTENSION OF GRACE PERIOD FOR 3RD QUARTER 2007 TAXES. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #131.07. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #132.07: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR ALLOWANCE OF A VETERAN DEDUCTION. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #132.07. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #133.07: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE RENEWAL OF A PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE #0814-44-007-005 JIGNASHWIN, INC. T/A HANY'S LIQUORS. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #133.07. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #134.07: RESOLUTION TO CANCEL BALANCES ON CERTAIN TAX PROPERTIES. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #134.07. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

R. #135.07: RESOLUTION CANCELLING OUTSTANDING TAX BALANCE FOR 2006. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #135.07. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes,

Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

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.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING:

O. #07.07: AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT SALARY ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt O. #07.07 on introduction and first reading and schedule the second reading and public hearing on September 17, 2007. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Letter from Anna Docimo, Gloucester County Division of Senior Services, requesting use of the shuttle bus for the annual Senior Citizen Picnic on September 12, 2007 at Redbank Battlefield in National Park from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file the letter and approve their request. All were in favor of the motion.

Letter from Tax Assessor Robyn Glocker-Hammond regarding the Borough's ratio. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the letter. All were in favor of the motion.

Mayor Burzichelli explained that the above letter shows that the Borough's ratio has dropped and the Borough may be forced to do another revaluation.

Memo from Chief K.L. Ridinger regarding the resignation of two (2) SLEO II Officers. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the memo. All were in favor of the motion.

Letter from Tax Collector Barbara Sockwell regarding third and fourth quarter billing. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the letter. All were in favor of the motion.

Letter from Nicole L. DeFeo, Boys & Girls Clubs of Gloucester County, regarding sublease. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file the letter and place this matter on the next Work Session Meeting agenda. All were in favor of the motion.

Mayor Burzichelli stated he has also asked Solicitor Pierson to research transferring the property to the Boys and Girls Club.

Received Raffle License Application, RA-514, Paulsboro Day Committee for three (3) on-premise 50/50 on September 8, 2007. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file the application and approve the raffle license. All were in favor of the motion except Kidd abstained due to family members conducting the raffles.

Memo from Administrator John Salvatore regarding BAN Sale 7/25/07 \$1,300,000. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the memo. All were in favor of the motion.

Letter from the Paulsboro Community Ambulance regarding reorganizing as a Rehab Unit. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file the letter and place this matter on the next Work Session Meeting agenda. All were in favor of the motion.

Letter from Patty Farrow, The Raider Nation, requesting use of the shuttle bus.

Mayor Burzichelli stated he did not see any problems except the lack of manpower for a driver for the bus. If there was a driver available, then this would be approved.

Mrs. Farrow questioned when she would know as the first game was this Friday night.

Mayor Burzichelli stated she should get word from Councilman Giovannitti, Councilwoman Tedeski or Councilman Morina.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file the letter and tentatively approve their request. All were in favor of the motion.

Letter from Michael A. Aimino, Aimino & Dennen, LLC, regarding 7 West Broad Street, Block 93 Lot 16. (This was held from the last meeting.)

Administrator Salvatore suggested this matter be held for Executive Session.

Memo from Captain F. Grogan, Paulsboro Police Dept., regarding Juvenile Justice Commission Grant. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file the memo and tentatively approve this grant. All were in favor of the motion.

Memo from Captain F. Grogan, Paulsboro Police Dept., regarding donated police vehicle. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive, file the memo, accept the donation and send a letter of thanks to Washington Township for their donation. All were in favor of the motion.

Memo from Captain F. Grogan, Paulsboro Police Dept., regarding request authorization to begin the bid and advertising process for patrol vehicles. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to receive and file the memo. All were in favor of the motion.

Councilman Kidd discussed the bidding of three patrol cars. He suggested the Borough buy one car this year, one car next year and one car the following year. That way there wouldn't be three 2008 cars.

Mayor Burzichelli stated this matter would be held until after Executive Session.

Memo from Captain F. Grogan, Paulsboro Police Dept., regarding request for Executive Session regarding personnel issue.

Mayor Burzichelli stated this matter would be placed on the next Work Session Meeting Agenda.

OLD BUSINESS:

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Morina stated the Borough has a new newspaper called "The Record Today" and it has been circulated. There are 12 people working on the newspaper. It included information for both Paulsboro and Gibbstown and will be circulated every two months. He is very proud of this accomplishment. It is a free newspaper.

Councilman Morina requested the Police Department review the parking situation at the Little League Complex on Mantua Avenue. He suggested may be time restrictions instead of no parking at all.

Mayor Burzichelli congratulated Councilman Morina on the newspaper.

Councilwoman Tedeski stated the Borough held a very successful concert series this summer. She thanked the departments and everyone who helped.

Councilwoman Tedeski also thanked all the departments for their assistance with the Fourth of July Parade and upcoming Paulsboro day on September 8, 2007.

Mayor Burzichelli stated the concerts are important as the people enjoy them.

Councilman Kidd stated there was a summer basketball league again this year. It has come to his attention that the kids are not covered under any insurance. He mentioned this last year. The Borough has to make arrangements for insurance for the summer basketball league next year.

Mayor Burzichelli stated it is a great program and he was not aware of the insurance issue.

Councilman Kidd stated when Camcare held their Health Fair; the volunteers had to sweep up the glass as the lot was never cleaned for the fair.

Mayor Burzichelli stated it was a beautiful event but unfortunately it was cleaned on Friday but the glass came from the bar on Friday night.

Councilman Hamilton thanked the Police Department, the Ambulance and the residents for making the National Night Out event a success.

Council President Haynes did not have anything from his department but did want to take the opportunity to thank the Police Department for apprehending the suspects in some “smash and grab” robberies in town.

Councilman Giovannitti stated the Borough will be holding a movie night at Billingsport School on September 14th, 2007.

Councilman Giovannitti stated a newsletter will be circulated a couple of times a year and asked all department heads to contact or e-mail Diane Angelucci with any information they may have for the newsletter.

Councilman Giovannitti congratulated Councilman Morina for circulating the new newspaper.

Councilman Giovannitti stated janitorial services will be submitting proposals and he will have them for the Work Session Meeting.

Councilman Giovannitti stated he has two bus driver applications that he will also submit at the Work Session Meeting.

Mayor Burzichelli stated the Work Session Meeting scheduled for September 18th and to be changed due to “Back to School Night” at the school. This event would take three Council members away from this meeting. He recommended rescheduling the Work Session Meeting on Monday, September 17, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Giovannitti moved and Hamilton seconded to reschedule the Work Session Meeting on Monday, September 17, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Burzichelli informed Ms. Joyceline Gaines that the sneakers have been taken down twice from the wires and her street light has been turned back on.

Mayor Burzichelli stated the Paulsboro Plaza developers will be coming back to the Municipal Land Use Board.

Mayor Burzichelli informed everyone that Freeholder Sweeney and the Freeholder Board will be approving the Port Project funding in the amount of \$2.4 million dollars tomorrow night.

Mayor Burzichelli stated the Gloucester County Ambulance Service will be starting at the end of this month but that Paulsboro’s Ambulance Group deserves a thank you from the Governing Body for the job they have done.

Mayor Burzichelli has asked Borough Clerk VanScoy to post the minutes on the

Borough's website. He further stated that the minutes are not transcribed verbatim.

R. #136.07: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTIVE SESSION OF BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY. Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adopt R. #136.07. Roll call: Ayes: Haynes, Giovannitti, Hamilton, Kidd, Morina, Tedeski. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

At this time, 8:00 p.m., Mayor and Council went into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and personnel.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to open the meeting to the public at 8:23 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

Haynes moved and Giovannitti seconded to authorize the Police Department to go out to bid for three Dodge Police vehicles. All were in favor except Kidd.

Mayor Burzichelli stated there isn't a Police Resource Officer at the High School.

There was further discussion regarding the Police Resource Officer.

There wasn't any further Borough business.

Haynes moved and Hamilton seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 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 4, 2007 and should not be considered a verbatim transcript of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy A. VanScoy, RMC/CMC
Borough Clerk

John J. Burzichelli, Mayor