

NOVEMBER 1, 2016

PAULSBORO, N.J.

7:00 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING

Council Chamber:

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

Mayor Stevenson called the meeting to order.

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

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

Members present were: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola (arrived at 7:45p.m. – attended Exxon Mobil Drill), Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR. (Agenda Questions only.)

Mayor Stevenson opened the floor to the public, asked anyone speaking to give their name and address and reminded everyone there was a five (5) minute time limit on any agenda item questions.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman DiTonno opened the floor to the public. All were in favor of the motion.

There wasn't any public participation.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to close the floor to the public. All were in favor of the motion.

Minutes of a Work Session Meeting held on September 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on October 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes of a Work Session Meeting held on October 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to receive, file and adopt the above minutes. All were in favor of the motion.

R. #190.16: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS OUT OF THE 2016 BUDGET. Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Haynes seconded to pay all bills properly signed and adopt R. #190.16. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

R. #191.16: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN BALANCES ON WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNTS. Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Haynes seconded to adopt R. #191.16. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

R. #192.16: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPROVING FORM OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL BY PBF LOGISTICS PRODUCTS TERMINALS, LLC FOR THE CLONMELL ROAD PIPELINE INSTALLATION. (This Resolution approves and accepts Performance Bond #106564911 in the amount of \$496,242.00 for the Clonmell Road Pipelines Installation.) Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to adopt R. #192.16. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Abstained: Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Holloway. Motion carried.

R. #193.16: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AUTHORIZING GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 1, 2017 – JUNE 30, 2018. (This Resolution is approving the Municipal Drug Alliance Grant for another grant year.) Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to adopt R. #193.16. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

R. #194.16: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE RENEWAL OF A PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE #0814-33-009-005 JOLLY RAJ, INC. T/A POCKET LICENSE. (This Resolution approves the Liquor License for Jolly Raj, Inc. which is a pocket license for the 2016-2017 licensing year. The Borough received the Special Ruling from the State to renew the license.) Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to adopt R. #194.16. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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

Letter from Gloucester County Senior & Disability Services requesting the shuttle bus to transport the Senior Citizens to the annual Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 7th, 2016 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Auletto Caterers in Almonesson. Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to receive, file the letter, grant the request and notify the proper departments. All were in favor of the motion.

Memo from New Jersey Division of Taxation regarding 2016 Certified Director's Table of Equalized Valuations. Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Haynes seconded to receive and file the memo. All were in favor of the motion.

Memo from New Jersey Division of Taxation regarding Certification of the 2016 Average Ratios and Common Level Ranges for Use in Tax Year 2017. Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Haynes seconded to receive and file the memo. All were in favor of the motion.

Administrator's Report:

Administrator Jacobucci discussed the various professional contracts for Triad, Parker McCay, Petroni & Associates and Maley & Associates regarding the USDA Applications for the Thomson Avenue, and Water Main Port Projects. She requested to hold off on approving these contracts until the funding and certification of funds has been approved.

Administrator Jacobucci also discussed the memo from TRICO JIF requesting a Resolution regarding Senate Bill 2663 and Assembly Bill 4234 which will enable JIFs to increase investment income by at least \$10 million per year. She felt it was just another level of bureaucracy.

Administrator Jacobucci further discussed adopting a Resolution appropriating funds for the Recreation Holiday Party. The Children's Holiday Party will be held on December 10th at the High School.

R. #195.16: RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE 2016 RECREATION HOLIDAY PARTY FOR THE CHILDREN OF PAULSBORO. Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to adopt R. #195.16. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None.
Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mayor Stevenson reported NJDOT will be refurbishing the Railroad bed on Delaware Street. Delaware Street will be closed beginning November 9th until the weekend. The schools are closed on Thursday and Friday and will not affect the children walking to and from school.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

Public Safety Committee: Councilman DiTonno, Chairman:

Councilman DiTonno stated the last two nights was mischief night and Halloween which everything went well.

Councilman DiTonno reminded everyone to set their clocks back on Saturday, November 5, 2016.

Public Works Committee: Councilman Haynes, Chairman:

Councilman Haynes stated the Borough will be flushing hydrants on November 7th, 8th and 9th, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The flushing is as follows:

Monday, November 7th, they will be flushing from Route 295 to Broad Street, again on Tuesday, November 8th from Broad Street to the Railroad tracks and finally on Wednesday, November 9th from the Railroad tracks to the River. If anyone experiences discolored water, to please run tap water until the water runs clear.

Councilman Haynes also stated the Borough is holding their fall leaf collection. They will be collecting leaves in the Billingsport area from November 14th to November 18th and again December 5th to December 9th. From Broad Street to the Railroad tracks from November 1st to November 4th and again November 21st to November 23rd. From Broad Street to Route 295 from November 7th to November 10th and again November 28th to December 2nd. He asked the residents to please put their leaves curbside and do not cover the inlets or place in the street.

Councilman Haynes further stated recycling will not be collected on Thursday, November 24th due to the Thanksgiving Day Holiday. Instead recycling from the railroad tracks to the river will be collected on Friday, November 25th.

Public Property Committee: Councilman Holloway, II, Chairman:

Councilman Holloway stated there have been improvements to the Borough hall such as the Code Office security window. He thanked Borough Foreman Tinder.

Councilman Holloway asked everyone to get out and vote. He likes the team he has.

Mayor Stevenson thanked Councilman Holloway and everyone involved in getting the Code Office security window.

Community Betterment Committee: Councilman Kidd, Chairman:

Councilman Kidd stated he is asking the Recreation Committee to ask all midget organizations to submit their budgets to Recreation and he will forward them to the Administrator and CFO. He would like to get them in for next year.

Councilman Kidd also stated he agreed to the Paulsboro Water Settlement with Solvay because of receiving a blood test. He received the blood test and he doesn't understand it. He called and was told he would have to take the test to a Doctor to explain it. He doesn't know anything more now than he did before. He stated the residents feel the same way.

Mayor Stevenson stated the lawsuit had nothing to do with the Borough and he is not sure why they did blood tests. They should have quantified the tests.

Construction and Licensing Committee: Council President Giovannitti, Chairman:

Council President Giovannitti stated election day is fast approaching and he will be glad because he is tired of the commercials.

Council President Giovannitti thanked the High School for the Homecoming Day Parade.

Council President Giovannitti stated the Borough has demolished three (3) buildings and progress is moving forward. He hoped the Borough will be able to do more next year. He reported the Code Officer Wayne Bender gave a presentation at the Neighborhood Watch meeting. The Ordinances have been put in place and it will take the borough forward. The pieces of the puzzle are coming together. He gave kudos to Code Enforcement Officer Bender and the Code Department.

Mayor Stevenson stated he will be hosting a Town Forum at the High School Cafeteria on Saturday, November 5th at 10:00 a.m. There will be light refreshments and he will speak as well as Chief Marino. He also has other flyers regarding the Virginia Scott Benefit and the Housing Initiative Program at the Boys and Girls Club on November 12th at 10:00 a.m. as well as Atlantic City Electric Company flyers regarding helping people in need with their electric bill.

Mayor Stevenson stated the Borough has torn down a few houses and there is some money in the budget to attack the store on Delaware Street and the house on Beacon Avenue. The Borough needs to keep going after these houses and to keep the pressure on. There are banks willing to donate some houses. He will receive more information from the New Jersey State League of Municipalities Conference.

Mayor Stevenson announced the next Work Session Meeting will be held on Monday, November 14th at 7:00 p.m.

At this time, Councilman DiTonno excused himself from the meeting.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR. (General questions only.)

Mayor Stevenson asked anyone speaking to give their name and address and reminded everyone there was a five (5) minute time limit.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Haynes seconded to open the floor to the public. All were in favor of the motion.

Cheryl Scott, 1635 Swedesboro Avenue, stated a few meetings ago, a chemical was added to the water. She questioned the drinking water.

Borough Engineer Biermann stated the Borough requested from NJDEP to use Klen Phos at well #7 with the carbon filters. It was added to the new water treatment plant. The water is fine to drink.

Cheryl Scott also discussed the train for the port. She stated there may be 75 cars or more and where would this train come in.

Mayor Stevenson stated the goal is to swing the train near his house and it will never come across Mantua Avenue. Conrail, Railroad Construction and the Port are still negotiating this. The train may come through town but it doesn't stop. He spoke with Congressman Norcross who informed him the train will not tie up Paulsboro.

Marc Kamp, 250 West Broad Street, on behalf of the Lighthouse Committee, stated the Lighthouse had the challenge weekend and it was a great turnout. He thanked Mayor Stevenson and Council President Giovannitti for coming and he also thanked the Police Department for checking up and the Street and Highway Department for cleaning up the area. The Coast Guard is refurbishing the Lighthouse and they have hired a Company. It will go out to bid and hopefully be open back up in 2018.

George Gallenthin, Block 1 Lot 3, stated there is a fire hydrant on his property and questioned if it will get blown out as there is all kinds of plastic and solid waste. It is at the end of DuPont Avenue over the railroad tracks. The hydrant is at the entrance of Paulsboro Packaging.

Water and Sewer Superintendent Reed stated that is a private line.

Mr. Gallenthin also stated the waste soil on the railroad bed that was placed on the non-easement area has been removed by the NJDEP.

Mr. Gallenthin also commented that Christopher Gibson from Archer and Greiner has made a statement that the road has been moved.

Mr. Gallenthin discussed the rail movement and the 75 cars of the train that will now loop. The train will end up being out by Heritages.

At this time, 7:45 p.m., Councilman Giampola arrived at the meeting.

Mr. Gallenthin stated the plan was only halfway discovered as no one did a transportation plan for the port.

Councilman Giampola stated he is going to meet with Administrator Jacobucci to start the budget discussions.

Mayor Stevenson appointed a Negotiating Committee that consists of Councilman Giampola as the Chair, Council President Giovannitti and Councilman Kidd as members.

Councilman Giampola stated he was late for the meeting due to a “suspicious package” drill that was held at ExxonMobil.

Mayor Stevenson stated if anyone has any questions regarding the Delaware Street railroad crossing to see Chief Marino.

There wasn't any further Borough business.

Councilman Haynes moved and Council President Giovannitti seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 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 November 1, 2016 and should not be considered a verbatim transcript of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy A. VanScoy, RMC/CMC/CMR
Borough Clerk

Gary C. Stevenson, Mayor