

FEBRUARY 17, 2021

PAULSBORO. N.J.

5:00 P.M.

SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber:

Mayor Stevenson presided at the Regular Teleconference Meeting of Council held on the above date, place and by calling #1-206-279-9587 and inputting Conference Code #597831.

Due to the public health emergency caused by the Coronavirus (COVID-19), and the subsequent issuance of the Governor's Executive Order 107, the Borough of Paulsboro, effective April 7, 2020 and until further notice, will conduct all future meetings remotely and by electronic means without providing a physical meeting place. The Borough Hall will not be open to the public for this meeting. The electronic public meeting is being held in lieu of an in-person public meeting due to the state of emergency arising from the current situation involving the COVID-19 virus and to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the public.

Mayor Stevenson called the Special Teleconference Meeting to order.

Mayor Stevenson read the opening statement regarding the Open Public Meetings Act. Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.A.C. 5:39-1.1-1.7 AND P.L. 2020, C. 34, adequate notice of this Regular Teleconference Meeting, as required by said Act, has been provided by contact each Council Member, posting the scheduled meeting on the Municipal Bulletin Board, and on the Borough's website, emailed and faxed to the South Jersey Times and the Courier Post and filed with the Borough Clerk on February 9, 2021.

Mayor Stevenson called the Special Meeting to order. This Special Meeting was scheduled due to the Zoom issue at the February 2, 2021 Regular Meeting and the agenda will be similar to the February 2, 2021 agenda.

Members present were: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Teleconference Regular Year End Financial Meeting – December 29, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Teleconference Reorganization and First Regular Meeting, January 5, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Summary of reports and copies of minutes of meeting.

COMMUNICATION – CORRESPONDENCE:

GCUA Resolution No. 2021-020 Establishing Rate Schedule for the GCUA.

GCUA Resolution No. 2021-022 Establishing a Sanitary Sewerage Connection Fee.

Letter from Project Engineer Stephen Cosaboon, Sickels & Associates, regarding Final Payment No. 6 – Thomson Avenue Infrastructure Improvement Project – Water & Sanitary Sewer, Contractor: South State, Inc.

(2) Memos from Chief Gary Kille regarding request to hire Alternate (Part-Time) Crossing Guards.

Memo from Chief Gary Kille regarding recommendation of promotion to next level Patrolman.

Memo from Chief Gary Kille regarding recommendation to advertise for SLEO I Officers.

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to receive, file and approve the above minutes, reports and the above letters and memos. All were in favor of the motion.

ORDINANCES ON INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING:

O. #01.21: ORDINANCE AMENDING PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 61, ENTITLED “SEWER”, AND CHAPTER 78, ENTITLED “WATER” OF THE BOROUGH CODE REGARDING SEWER AND WATER RATES AND BILLING. Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to adopt O. #01.21 on introduction and first reading and schedule the second reading and public hearing on March 2, 2021. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

O. #02.21: ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE TO REVISE CHAPTER 68 GOVERNING “STORMWATER CONTROL”. Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Holloway seconded to adopt O. #02.21 on

introduction and first reading and schedule the second reading and public hearing on March 2, 2021. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti, Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS/TRANSFERS – BILLS:

R. #50.21: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM CERTAIN ACCOUNTS TO OTHER ACCOUNTS IN THE 2020 BUDGET.

R. #51.21: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS OUT OF THE 2020 TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE THIRD WEEK OF THE MONTH (January 19, 2021).

R. #52.21: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS OUT OF THE 2020 TEMPORARY BUDGET.

R. #64.21: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BILLS OUT OF THE 2020 TEMPORARY BUDGET FOR THE THIRD WEEK OF THE MONTH (February 16, 2021.)

RESOLUTIONS ON CONSENT AGENDA:

R. #53.21: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CREDIT OF WATER BALANCE TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE 2021 FIRST QUARTER PROPERTY TAXES. (This Resolution provides for \$1,105.13 to be transferred to the Property taxes and \$51.39 on the Utility Account for 621 North Delaware Street, Block 31 Lot 11.)

R. #54.21: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF 2020 RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT BY THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO. (This Resolution authorizes the Recycling Coordinator to submit the annual 2020 Recycling Tonnage Grant.)

R. #55.21: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE RENEWAL OF A PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE #0814-33-009-006 MADIRA HOUSE, LLC T/A POCKET LICENSE. (This Resolution provides for the renewal of a PRCL for Madira House, LLC which is a pocket license in the Borough and has received a 12:39 Special Ruling for the years 2020-2021 and 2021-2023.)

R. #56.21: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO APPOINTING MARTIN WHITCRAFT AS MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE.

(This Resolution re-appoints Municipal Court Judge Martin Whitcraft to a three (3) year term to expire January 31, 2022/

R. #57.21: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FINAL PAYMENT NO. 6 FOR THE THOMSON AVENUE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – WATER & SANITARY SEWER. (This Resolution authorizes Final Payment No. 6 in the amount of \$103,249.58 to South State, Inc. of Bridgeton, NJ for the Thomson Avenue Infrastructure Improvement Project – Water & Sanitary Sewer Project.)

R. #58.21: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REQUEST OF A SIX-MONTH EXTENSION FOR THE WEST WASHINGTON STREET ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS – N. DELAWARE ST. TO PINE ST. NJDOT MUNICIPAL AID FY2019 PROJECT. (this Resolution authorizing a request for a six (6) month extension of the construction award contract deadline to September 25, 2021 for the West Washington Street NJDOT Municipal Aid Fiscal Year 2019 funding.)

R. #59.21: RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALTERNATE SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD. (This Resolution appoints Davetta Howard and Bettygene Castle as an Alternate (Part-time) Crossing Guards.)

R. #60.21: RESOLUTION PROMOTING MICHAEL KONNICK TO THE APPOINTMENT OF PATROLMAN FOURTH CLASS IN THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT. (This Resolution promotes Michael Konnick to Patrolman Fourth Class from Patrolman Fifth Class as per contractual obligation.)

R. #61.21: RESOLUTION REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR THE SALE OF 40 RIVERVIEW AVENUE (BLOCK 41, LOT 11) AND AUTHORIZING RE-ADVERTISEMENT AND RE-BID. (This Resolution authorizes the rejection of bids for the sale of 40 Riverview Avenue, Block 41 Lot 11 and authorizing re-advertisement and re-bid.)

R. #62.21: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AUTHORIZING THE PAYOUT OF ACCUMULATED VACATION FOR AN EMPLOYEE WHO HAS SEPARATED FROM THE BOROUGH OF PAULSBORO AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2021. (This Resolution authorizes the payout for vacation and sick time for Michael Minniti who has retired from the Borough as of February 1, 2021.)

R. #63.21: RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING STANDARD PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AT REMOTE PUBLIC MEETINGS. (This Resolution requires the Borough, to adopt, by Resolution, standard procedures and requirement for public comment made during a remote

public meeting.)

Council President Giovannitti moved and Councilman Giampola seconded to adopt R. #50.21 to R. #63.21. Roll call: Ayes: Council President Giovannitti (except he abstained on R. #60.21), Councilman DiTonno, Councilman Giampola, Councilman Haynes, Councilman Holloway, Councilman Kidd. Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

Councilman Giampola stated he would like to go out to bid on the rest of Thomson Avenue from Elizabeth Avenue to Vanneman Boulevard with an additional option to mill and pave from Vanneman Boulevard to Cedar Avenue.

Administrator Jacobucci stated they will be bid separately as they are separate payment sources.

Councilman Haynes stated yes, this is his understanding. Borough Engineer Biermann stated the bid would be under the USDA grant and to include the second option of Vanneman to Cedar.

Administrator Jacobucci stated the second part of cost around \$18,000 but if it was under \$17,500, it wouldn't have to go out for bid but have to go out for RFPs.

Councilman Haynes stated he definitely wants the small portion done and will get estimates.

Councilman Haynes moved and Councilman Giampola seconded to go out for bid for the Paul Avenue & Thomson Avenue Project (includes Elizabeth Avenue to Vanneman Boulevard). All were in favor of the motion.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to open the floor to the public at 5:11 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

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

Marc Kamp, 250 West Broad Street, questioned the motion on the bids for Thomson Avenue. The small portion shouldn't be from Thomson Avenue as it doesn't come off of Thomson Avenue.

Councilman Haynes stated he will get clarification from Borough Engineer Biermann.

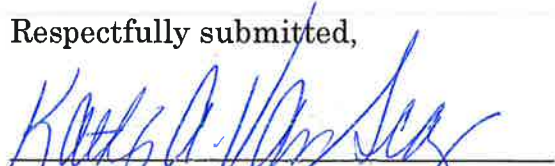
There wasn't any further public participation.

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to close the floor to the public at 5:15 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

Councilman Giampola moved and Councilman DiTonno seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. All were in favor of the motion.

This is a brief summary of the Special Teleconference Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Paulsboro held on February 17, 2021 and should not be considered a verbatim transcript of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,


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


John Giovannitti, Deputy Mayor