

Combined Meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council held on Monday, August 25, 2014 in the Borough Hall, 167 Main Street, Sayreville, was called to order by Mayor Kennedy O'Brien 7:03 P.M. followed by a short prayer and salute to the flag.

- **STATEMENT OF NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Municipal Clerk Farbaniec announced that this meeting has been advertised and posted in accordance with Open Public Meetings Act Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 by advertising in the Home News Tribune, notifying the Star Ledger and the Sentinel Publishing Co., posting on the bulletin board, and filing with her office.

- **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Councilpersons Buchanan, Eicher, McGill, Melendez,  
Novak, Rittenhouse

Absent: None

Others Present: Kennedy O'Brien, Mayor  
Daniel E. Frankel, Business Administrator  
Wayne A. Kronowski, C.F.O./Treasurer  
Theresa A. Farbaniec, Municipal Clerk  
Jay Cornell, P.E., Borough Engineer  
Michael DuPont, Esq., Borough Attorney

Others Absent: None

- **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Council President Novak moved the following minutes be approved on Roll Call Vote, subject to correction if necessary.

- ☒ Budget Meeting - May 6, 2014
- ☒ Combined Meeting & Executive Session - July 28, 2014
- ☒ Liquor Hearing (Ethan H LLC) - July 28, 2014

Motion was seconded by Councilman McGill.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes. Carried.

**PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATION:**

- ❖ **Sun Pacific Power, Inc., Manalapan, NJ – Nicholas B. Campanella**

On their providing and maintaining NJ Transit "smart" Bus Shelters that are solar powered as well as grid powered. They will provide digital display boxes for amber/silver alert/town notifications as well as general advertising. There will be WiFi in 4G or through Cablevision as well as local hot spots. There will be LED lighting motion sensor and will be lit at night through photo cell and powered through the installation of solar photovoltaic panels and direct electrical connections where available. They take position of the shelters, they insure the shelters, maintain them and replace them, so this will be a savings to the town. He said that Sayreville has 18 locations that they have identified & one to be relocated.

Mayor asked how long the lease agreement was for. Mr. Campanella said that it was for a 10 year period and if the town wants to renew they will renew and if not they would take the shelters back. The town has the final say as far as the advertising. Nothing political, pornographic, spiritual, religious, tobacco, alcohol. Mayor asked what town they were currently contracted with and he said Manalapan, Perth Amboy, Freehold, Freehold Borough, Brick, Neptune. Mr. Frankel said that this is a win-win for Sayreville. We are getting all new shelters, we're going to promote NJ Transit ridership, commuters will have access to wifi, solar panel will provide lighting and insert new locations as the Mayor had suggested like LaMer and Park Village. Mr. Campanella said that the shelters are all 100% recycled aluminum and some towns are applying for green energy credits because they're bringing in renewable energy into the town. They hire local contractors to install the shelters, hire local maintenance people to clean the shelters. Mayor asked if the borough would share any of the revenue and he said no because there is not a large enough revenue stream. Councilman Melendez asked if they would all be smart shelters.

Mr. Campanella responded that they would allocate and identify each one making sure there is electricity nearby, cable availability and foot print, some will need concrete replacement and the installation of handicap ramps. Those shelters which do not have these capabilities would remain they would just take them off your books. Mayor asked if the emergency reverse 911 info would be able to flow there also and he said that it would and that depending on the location they would be able to install video surveillance cameras to watch the shelters and oncoming traffic. Council President Novak said that this company is sponsored by NJ Transit all of these items are compiled from surveys they have taken from their ridership. She also said that unlike the shelters we have now that we have to keep, clean and maintain.

Mayor asked for a sub-committee of Council be comprised of councilpersons McGill, Novak and Buchanan to go over the contract and terms and conditions and if they are satisfied after any corrections then it could go on the next agenda.

Councilpersons Rittenhouse and Eicher asked the following questions with regard to the placement of these bus shelters:

Questions	Responses
- Snow & ice clearing	- Done by the Dept. of Public Works
- Who pays for the electricity	- Sun Pacific Power
- Advertising panels	- Two panels on one side back to back on the opposite side of oncoming traffic.
- Issues with distracted drivers	- Busses block when picking up.

Councilman Melendez asked if he could do a technology review of the system, such as plans and specs. Mr. Campanella said he would provide him with the information.

Councilman Buchanan asked if any of the other towns they contracted with have had to go out for RFP. Mr. Campanella said no they did not.

No further questions. Mayor O'Brien called for the next order of business.

- **OLD BUSINESS**
  - a) Public Hearing on the following Ordinance(s): **(none)**
- **NEW BUSINESS:**
  - a) **Introduction of the following Ordinance:**

**ORDINANCE #268-14**  
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING**  
**CHAPTER VIII, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES**  
**OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE SECTION 8-23 "MOTELS"**  
(Co. Rittenhouse, Public Safety – Public Hearing September 8, 2014)

Councilman Rittenhouse moved the Ordinance be approved on first reading, advertised according to law and a public hearing be scheduled for September 8, 2014. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Eicher.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Buchanan, Eicher, McGill, Melendez, Novak, Rittenhouse, all Ayes. Carried.

**ORDINANCE #269-14**  
**AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN**  
**BOROUGH OFFICIALS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES**  
**FOR THE YEARS 2014, 2015, 2016 AND 2017 AS**  
**COMMENSURATED IN THE P.B.A. LOCAL #98**  
**BARGAINING AGREEMENT**  
(Co. Rittenhouse, Public Safety – Public Hearing September 8, 2014)

Councilman Rittenhouse moved the Ordinance be approved on first reading, advertised according to law and a public hearing be scheduled for September 8, 2014. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Eicher.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Buchanan, Eicher, McGill, Melendez, Rittenhouse, all Ayes.  
Councilwoman Novak, Abstained.  
Carried.

**ORDINANCE #270-14**  
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER V**  
**OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE**  
**TO ADD SECTION 5-28 "PROHIBIT THE SALE OF**  
**TOBACCO TO PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE"**  
(Co. McGill, Sponsor – Public Hearing September 8, 2014)

Councilman McGill moved the Ordinance be approved on first reading, advertised according to law and a public hearing be scheduled for September 8, 2014. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

Roll Call:	Ayes	Nays
Councilpersons	Buchanan	Eicher
	McGill	
	Melendez	
	<u>Novak</u>	<u>Rittenhouse</u>
	4 Ayes	/ 2 Nay

• **CONSENT AGENDA/RESOLUTIONS**

Mayor O'Brien opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on the consent agenda items.

There were no appearances. Mayor O'Brien called for a motion.

Council President Novak moved the public portion be closed and the Consent Agenda Resolutions be approved on Roll Call vote. Motion seconded by Councilman Buchanan.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Buchanan, Eicher, McGill, Melendez, Novak, Rittenhouse, all Ayes.

**RESOLUTION #2014-253**

**WHEREAS**, all bills submitted to the Borough of Sayreville covering services, work, labor and material furnished the Borough of Sayreville have been duly audited by the appropriate committee;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that all bills properly verified according to law and properly audited by the appropriate committees be and the same are hereby ordered to be paid by the appropriate Borough officials.

/s/ Kennedy O'Brien, Mayor

/s/ Councilman Daniel Buchanan

/s/ Councilman Ricci Melendez

/s/ Councilwoman Lisa Eicher

/s/ Councilwoman Mary J. Novak

/s/ Councilman David McGill

/s/ Councilman Arthur Rittenhouse

**Bill list of August 25, 2014, in the amount of \$1,603,978.41**  
**(Bill List – See Appendix 2014-A for this date, in a separate Bill List File for 2014).**

**PERSON TO PERSON TRANSFER**

**RESOLUTION #2014-254**

**WHEREAS**, an application has been received by the Municipal Clerk for a Person to Person Transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License #1219-33-039-003, heretofore issued to Norman’s Tavern, LLC for premises located at 361 Main Street, Sayreville, NJ 08872; and

**WHEREAS**, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statutes, regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as pertinent local ordinances and conditions consistent with Title 33; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant has disclosed and the issuing authority reviewed the source of all funds used in the purchase of the license and the licensed business and all additional financing obtained in connection with the license business; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant has duly advertised in the Home News Tribune on June 30, 2014 and July 9, 2014 as required by law, and has produced proof of publication as to such advertising; and

**WHEREAS**, no objections or protests have been made with regard to said transfer; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Body of the Borough of Sayreville does hereby approve, effective August 26, 2014, the transfer of the aforesaid Plenary Retail Consumption License #1219-33-039-003 to Tap & Growler, LLC and hereby direct the Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Sayreville to endorse the license certificate to the new ownership as follows:

“This license, subject to all of its terms and conditions,  
is hereby transferred to Tap & Growler, LLC, August 26, 2014.”

/s/ Daniel Buchanan, Councilman  
(Admin. & Finance Committee)

**ATTEST:**

**BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE**

/s/ Theresa A. Farbaniec, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Kennedy O’Brien  
Mayor

**RESOLUTION #2014-255**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Engineer is hereby authorized and directed to prepare plans and specifications for “Parking Lot Repairs at the Public Safety Complex” and that he be paid for said services at a fee not to exceed \$8,000.00 .

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that upon approval of said plans and specifications for the project the Borough Clerk is also herein authorized to advertise for the receipt of bids.

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman  
(Public Works Committee)

**ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE**

/s/ Theresa A. Farbaniec, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Kennedy O’Brien  
Mayor

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**RESOLUTION #2014-256**

**BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the Governing Body of the Borough of Sayreville does hereby give the Sayreville Police Department authorization for their use of the

OEM Trailer as a support vehicle for police officers participating in the 2013 Tour DeForce cycle fundraiser beginning on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from the Boston bombing site to Ground Zero Memorial site in NY.

/s/ Arthur Rittenhouse, Councilman  
(Public Safety Committee)

ATTEST: BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Theresa A. Farbaniec, RMC      /s/ Kennedy O'Brien  
Municipal Clerk                      Mayor

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**Business Session Agenda - August 25, 2014**

**COMMUNICATIONS & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

• **ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCE – Councilman Buchanan**

a) **Minutes & Departmental Reports:**

Councilman Buchanan moved the following Minutes and or Reports be Received & Filed:

- Board of Education minutes of July 15 & July 24, 2014
- Municipal Clerk's Report for the month of July, 2014
- Investment Activity Report for the month of July, 2014

- Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

b) Received the following **application(s) for Bingo/Raffle Licenses from:**

- i) **Our Lady of Victories** to conduct an On Premise 50/50 & an On-Premise Draw on Nov. 15, 2014 (RA:1888 & 1889).
- ii) **Our Lady of Victories** to conduct an Off Premise Draw Calendar Raffle on 12 various dates from March 15 through June 4, 2015 (RA:1890).

**- Approved.**

c) Committee Reports – 1) Progress.

• **PLANNING & ZONING – Councilman McGill**

a) **Minutes & Departmental Reports:**

Councilman McGill moved the following Minutes/Reports be Received & Filed:

Planning Board Minutes of July 16, 2014

- Construction, Zoning & Code Enforcement, & Fire Prevention Reports for the month of July, 2014.

- Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

b) **Notice to Sayreville as Adjacent Property Owner(s)** for applications to be heard before the Zoning Board of Adjustment on Aug. 27, 2014:

- 1) Brian Burlew for variance premises known as 484 South Pine Ave., Block 476, Lot 6 for permission to expand the existing structure to include an expansion of the residential living area on the second floor of the building.
- 2) Quick Chek Corporation for property known as 3101 Bordentown Ave., Block 31, Lot 1 seeking conditional use and preliminary and final major site plan approval to demolish current and redevelop with a Quick Chek convenience store and retail gas service on said property.

**- 1 & 2 Receive & File**

c) Committee Report: 1) Progress.

• **PUBLIC SAFETY – Councilman Rittenhouse**

a) **Minutes & Departmental Reports:**

Councilman Rittenhouse moved the following Minutes and or Reports be Received & Filed:

- Police Department, Board of Health, Registrar and County Reports for the month

of July, 2014.

- Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

b) Request for a 3 month Leave of absence received from Firefighter Dominick Brown was granted by the President Park Fire Company.

- **Receive & File**

c) Request for approval on an application received by Sayreville Engine Co. #1 from Michelle L. Brophy as a firefighter was accepted by at their July 24, 2014. **- Approved**

d) Request for authorization to appoint two Police Officers to the position of Police Sergeants from a current Certified List of Eligible Appointments received from the DOP.-

- **Approved/Resolution**

e) Committee Reports - Discussion

1) Pick-up of old/unused televisions for Senior Citizens

- Under review

2) Animal Shelters

Disappointed that while he was away the Chairman of the Democratic Party set up an appointment to tour the Woodbridge Animal Shelter. He said that he is the Liaison of Public Safety and this purview falls under his committee. He said that at a meeting last month the council gave direction that we would get information back from the Board of Health.

Councilwoman Novak said that at the last meeting she stated that she had touched base with Dr. Chiosi and that she was going to visit Woodbridge shelter and asked if anyone would like to come to let her know and asked Mr. Pollando to schedule the appointment for her. She said that from the time she was campaigning with Co. Eicher they wanted changes, etc. She said she wanted to see other options so she and Co. McGill visited the shelter.

Councilman Rittenhouse said the Board of Health reports find nothing more unusual than other shelters but would like to look at other alternatives. He also said that he is looking for a better way of tracking animals that are picked up and will be discussing this and other matters at the upcoming board of health meeting. He asked if Co. Eicher and Novak would work on this with him. Mayor asked Co. Rittenhouse to take the lead and Councilwomen Novak and Eicher work with him. Mayor went on to comment about Councilwoman Novak's comments from the last meeting followed by a discussion regarding the contract and other comments.

• **RECREATION – Councilwoman Eicher**

a) Minutes & Departmental Reports:

Councilwoman Eicher moved the following Minutes/Reports be Received & Filed:

- Recreation Director's report for the month of July, 2014.

Seconded by Councilman Rittenhouse.

b) Committee Reports:

i) Reported on various Recreation Department sponsored events.

ii) Thanked the Fire Department and participants in the Ice Bucket Challenge sponsored by Rita's Italian Ice but apologized for not being able to attend.

• **WATER & SEWER/ENVIRONMENTAL – Councilman Melendez**

a) Minutes & Departmental Reports:

Councilman Melendez moved the following Minutes/Reports be Received & Filed:

- Water & Sewer Director's report for the month of July, 2014.

Seconded by Councilman Rittenhouse.

b) Committee Reports-

1) Informed the council that the business administrator will be reporting on the findings with regards to the water bill issues.

2) Asked if we had an Animal Control officer and that he received a resident complaint about a skunk and the police dispatcher told them that animal control does not assist in wild animals. Councilman Rittenhouse responded that we do have an animal control officer and

when they come out for wild animals there is no charge and Councilwoman Novak followed up that they do not come out to catch wild animals unless they are caught or there is an issue with one.

• **PUBLIC WORKS – Council President Novak**

a) **Minutes & Departmental Reports:**

Councilwoman Novak moved the following reports/minutes be received & filed:

- Public Works Reports – Buildings & Grounds, Parks, Recycling, Roads, Garage Services, Sanitation and Office on Aging Report all for the month of July, 2014.

Seconded by Councilman McGill.

b) Committee Reports:

- 1) Commented on the employees in the Dept. of Public Works.

• **MAYOR – Kennedy O’Brien**

Mayor announced the 9-11 Memorial Service will take place on Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> at 6PM.

Reported on the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge issued by Mike Fogarty of Rita’s Italian Ice to the Mayor and the Fire Dept. and Police Dept. He said the Mayor’s challenge was met this past Saturday with the help of the Sayreville Fire Dept. He asked that Mr. Fogarty attend the next meeting to be recognized for his overwhelming support as this issue is near and dear to his heart as Mr. Fogarty was not aware of, but his son suffers from this disease.

• **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR – Daniel E. Frankel**

- **Administrative & Finance**

- 1) Discussion on the renewal of Lease Agreement with the Board of Education for Morgan Athletic Fields at the Selover School.

-Councilman Rittenhouse said that the Board of Education was not aware of this yet and their attorney has to review the lease. He also reported that the copy included in their packet was incorrect and requested a corrected copy.

Councilman Rittenhouse made a **motion** to table this matter at the time and not act on it. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Eicher.

Mayor expressed that he was upset and said that this matter should go before the Recreation Chair. and the committee after it goes before the Board of Education.

Comments:

- Councilman Rittenhouse indicated that the lease has the incorrect block and lot information.

- Councilwoman Eicher questioned how this matter got brought up.

Mr. Frankel said that it came up during a discussion he and Mr. D’Andrea had.

- Councilman Melendez questioned what was being tabled.

The Mayor stated that we were tabling the discussion on the lease until the Board of Education, recreation committee and recreation board has had time to review it ....

The Mayor then instructed the Clerk, Business Admin, Attorney and CFO not to list anything on the agenda without his prior approval.

Council President Novak said that this item was on the agenda for discussion and that this is what the business admin. is supposed to do as part of his job. He sees a problem and lists it for discussion on an agenda and the council makes a decision but to table a discussion...

**Mayor called for a Roll Call:**

	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Nays</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Buchanan –	X		Would like to see this get referred to the Recreation Advisory Board and Bd. of Ed.
Eicher –	X		Would like to see what the Board of Ed has to say on the matter.
McGill –		X	This should have been discussed. Asked if there was insurance on these fields. Mr. Frankel replied that there is insurance.

Melendez –	X		Questioned if this affects any of the programs.
Novak –		X	Said the business admin. had the right to bring it up for discussion and should have been discussed.
Rittenhouse –	<u>X</u>		
Clerk announced	4 /	2	Discussion tabled.

Councilwoman Eicher said that it was her understanding that it was a continuing lease renewal unless one of the parties change that and believed that there is wording in the lease agreement to that effect. The Borough Attorney said that in looking at the agreement in his hands it states that – the lease should renew for four additional one year terms. Councilwoman Novak said she has a signed copy in her hand signed in 2008 and would have renewed for 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 So effective January 1, 2013 we no longer had a lease agreement with the board of education for the Morgan Athletic fields.

**- Recreation**

1) Discussion on the compliance report received from the Director of Recreation. Mayor called forward the Recreation Director, Jerry Ust to the podium to review The report. Mr. Ust reported that all organizations are not in compliance at this time. Mayor reminded everyone that the members of the organizations are all volunteers and he is assuming that they are trying to come into compliance. Mr. Ust said that most have complied to 90% of the Ordinance requirements.

Council President Novak reviewed the report with Mr. Ust. She further asked if there would be a date set for compliance and that this date has been extended once. Discussion followed regarding a final date for compliance. Mayor asked for a straw poll vote to extend and asked if there was a motion to extend the compliance date to December 31, 2014.

**Motion** made by Councilwoman Eicher. Seconded by Councilman Rittenhouse.

<b>Roll Call:</b>	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Nays</b>
Buchanan	X	
Eicher	X	
McGill		X – would like to see a date sooner.
Melendez		X – Ordinance needs to be reviewed per sport.
Novak		X - Ordinance was first ill prepared and extended once already.
Rittenhouse	<u>X</u>	

Clerk announced a 3/3 tie vote. **Mayor voted Ayes and broke the tie, with comment.**

**- Water & Sewer**

1) Authorization for an extension of contract with Water Works Supply for Water Meters & Related Equipment for one additional year with no increase in cost price.

- Resolution.

2) Mr. Frankel reported that he met with the Borough Attorney and the Water & Sewer Director and they put together a policy with regard to issues with water bills. He said that the three would sit, hear the complaint and issues then make a decision and if the resident was unhappy with that decision they would have the right to appeal it to the council. The Mayor expressed his concern to the Borough Attorney about giving away municipal property and asked if this would be legal. Mr. DuPont responded that it is and that he drew up an ordinance for their review. Mayor asked Councilman Melendez if he was in agreement and he stated that he was and that he would like to make a motion. Mayor asked if there could be some mechanism put in place when a water bill would jump so high and be out of the ordinary it somehow would alert someone. Mr. Frankel said that they are billed quarterly so it is usually caught too late (90-120 days) but he said that these incidents were exceptional. Co. Melendez also asked the attorney if this would be legal. Mr. DuPont said that he prepared the Ordinance and is waiting for final comment from the Water Director. Mayor said that in some of these cases the department would work with the other department in notifying them of certain circumstances such as fire, and unoccupancy, etc.

- Ordinance for Introduction at next meeting.

- **C.F.O.- Wayne Kronowski**

- 1) Bill List Resolution

- **BOROUGH ENGINEER -Jay Cornell**

- 1) Furnish and Installing a New Automated Refuse Loader Body and Arm Lift Arm onto Borough Refuse Vehicle – Receipt of Bids (Report Attached)
  - Resolution authorizing the award.
- 2) Cheesequake Road Pedestrian Crossing Signal – Proposal by DuPont (Report Attached)
  - Ordinance for Mid-block crosswalk (Attorney).
- 3) NJ Transportation Trust Fund – 2015 Municipal Aid Program (Report Attached)
  - Resolution authorizing he prepare an application.
- 4) 2013 Roadway paving & Reconstruction Project – Phase II Receipt of Bids (Verbal Report)
  - Resolution authorizing the award if everything is in order after tomorrow’s bid opening.

- Mayor – Asked if there were any objections to any of the newly elected officials attending the League of Municipalities convention in November for seminars and educational opportunities. This has been an ongoing thing but wanted to make it transparent and asked if there were any objections to continuing that process. Councilwoman Novak objected. No further objections. Approved.

- **BOROUGH ATTORNEY - Michael DuPont**

- **PUBLIC PORTION**

At this time the Mayor opened the meeting up to the public for any and all questions or comments. Those appearing were:

- Thomas Bieshada, 17 Greenhill Avenue
  - Questioned the amount of debt service and when does he anticipate the amount to exceed the figure authorizing an increase in taxes to cover.  
Mr. Kronowski responded that the amount is about \$35 million dollars outstanding and that over the years this figure has been decreasing.
  - Expressed that he is not happy the council has authorized for the residents an electric company and felt that he is being dictated to.
  - Requested that Ordinance #267-14 on the Pilot Agreement for the Club Bene property be rescinded or re-pealed and that everyone pay their fair share.

- William Henry, Orchard Street
  - Stated that Jersey Central Power & Light Co. right now does not supply the residential electric. They select a third party for all residents. The Borough is looking to save the residents even more money through this program.

Mayor said that due to the number of complaints he is receiving regarding residents not receiving notices he had attended the energy aggregation meeting and requested (as Mayor) a list of residents who were sent notices from CUC and that to date he still has not been supplied with the information. He also felt that there was confusion about the opt out process.

- Mr. Henry said that he felt that the athletic teams had over a year to supply their information and that should be sufficient.

- Barbara Kilcomons, 22 Schmitt Street

- She agreed with the Mayor and Tom Biesiada and felt that it is our right as American Citizens to select our own electric company.  
Mayor reiterated that he was very upset with the energy company.
- Mrs. Kilcomons commented and agreed with the Mayor's comment regarding him being the Mayor.

Councilwoman Eicher asked the Borough Attorney for his findings regarding the termination of this contract with CUC. He replied that if we choose to terminate the contract there is a likely hood that the borough could be sued.

- Frank Bella, Keenan Street
  - Asked Co. Rittenhouse what prompted the issue with Helmetta animal shelter. Councilman Rittenhouse responded that was prompted due to facebook chatter and articles in the newspaper. He also reported on a report received from the Middlesex County Board of Health which said that the standards at Helmetta were about the same as other shelters. He also explained the procedure in calling out for animal control and that we should look at going back to our own animal control officer and that Mary, Lisa and he will be looking at all of these options. He indicated that the Chairman of the Board of Health was looking at a much better recording system.
- Robin Chinowski, South Pulaski Avenue  
(Runs Lost and Found Page on Facebook)  
Stated numerous complaints about Helmetta Animal Shelter.  
Mayor responded and also asked if there were any police reports against Helmetta. Councilman Rittenhouse asked for her contact information.  
Councilwoman Novak asked the CFO for the financial information on the previous animal shelter/control officer for their review.
- Alex Klinger, 1501 Roosevelt Avenue, Carteret
  - Asked what the protocol was for when a call came in.  
Response by Councilwoman Novak.
  - Commented on animals that he adopted from the shelter.
- Tom Bieshada, Greenhill Ave.  
[www.trulia.com/property](http://www.trulia.com/property)  
Commented on the ranking of our school system and requested the Pilot Agreement be rescinded.  
-Mayor said that they will take in the information and if one or more of the governing body wishes to discuss it, then it will be discussed.
- Brianne Rodgers, 28 Muth Street
  - Asked for a breakdown on what the \$40,000 on payments to the shelter go toward. And what happens to the feral cats.
  - Councilman Rittenhouse stated that we do not have a good accounting system until after the fact.
  - Mayor said that we did use Dr. Chiosi for years but he then no longer accepted feral cats and it became a problem. They also became over costly.
  - Discussion followed regarding TNR and feral cats.
  - Mayor said that if she can find a shelter that charges the same money and meets your criteria and do not kill then Sayreville will take a look at it.
- Robin Chinowski, South Pulaski Avenue
  - comments on shelters and how Helmetta handles animals they pick up.
- Darren Duran, Director of Public Works, Water & Sewer Operator-Borough of Helmetta.  
He said that he has been involved since the inception of the shared service agreement for animal control, animal impoundment and the animal shelter.  
He said that on behalf of Mayor Martin he invited the Mayor and Council to the shelter you currently contract with and visit us. He said that he is directly involved with contracts, impoundments and the shelter. He said that he is the person that can help and

answer your questions and would like to make himself available to your committee to address the concerns.

- Councilwoman Eicher asked what the procedure is when an animal is picked up from Sayreville and what should a resident do.

Mr. Duran explained the procedures and informed her that most of the pets found in Sayreville go home.

He explained the procedure from the time a call comes into a police dept., which in a larger municipality immediately starts the CAD system and is issued a CAD number which follows the paper trail for the incident or case. He further explained the procedure for those pets which are not picked up or claimed.

- Councilman Rittenhouse asked what the shelters hours are.

- Councilwoman Novak requested that going forward when a Sayreville pet is picked up/found a picture be taken and posted on their facebook.

- Councilwoman Novak asked about the adoption fees, certificates of health, pet altering procedures for those animals being adopted, vet visits.

All questions responded to by Mr. Duran.

No further questions or comments

Councilwoman Novak made a motion to close the public portion. Motion seconded by Councilman Buchanan.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes. Carried.

- **EXECUTIVE SESSION - None**
- **ADJOURNMENT**

No further business.

Council President Novak made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Councilman Buchanan.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes.

Time: 9:25 P.M.

SIGNED:

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Theresa A. Farbaniec, Municipal Clerk

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Date Approved