

Mayor Kennedy O'Brien opened the Agenda Meeting at 7:34PM followed by a short prayer and salute to the flag.

- **STATEMENT OF NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Municipal Clerk Farbaniec announced that this Agenda Meeting being held on Monday, May 11, 2015 had 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 is on file in her office.

- **ROLL CALL:**

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

Absent: None

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

Others Absent: Wayne A. Kronowski, C.F.O./Treasurer

- **OLD BUSINESS**

a. The following Ordinance were introduced at the Council meeting and will be listed for Public Hearing and Adoption on May 26, 2015.

ORDINANCE #287-15

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS
PARKS IN THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE, NEW JERSEY,
APPROPRIATING \$800,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE
ISSUANCE OF \$760,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR
FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION**

(Co. Novak, Admin. & Finance – Public Hearing May 26, 2015)

ORDINANCE #288-15

**AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING ORDINANCE
NO. 235-13 FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN BOROUGH OFFICIALS,
OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES FOR THE YEARS 2013, 2014, 2015 AND 2016**

Ordinance reflects changes in accordance with the DOP Title Consolidation
(Co. Novak, Admin. & Finance – Public Hearing May 26, 2015)

ORDINANCE No. 289-15

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER VII, TRAFFIC,
OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF
SAYREVILLE TO ADD ON-STREET HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES**

-29 Hart Street – 12-15-14 Council referred request to Traffic and approved by Sgt.
Bartlinski-

(Co. McGill, Public Safety Committee-Public Hearing May 27, 2015)

- **NEW BUSINESS:**
(None)

COMMUNICATIONS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCE – Councilwoman Novak**

a) **Minutes & Departmental Reports:**

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

- 1) Board of Education minutes of April 21, 2015.

Motion was seconded by Councilman McGill.

b) Received **Bingo/Raffle Applications** from the following Organizations :

- 1) **AARP #4855 East Brunswick Chapter** to conduct an On Premise 50/50 on June 16, 2015 at Camillo's Restaurant (RA:1946).
- 2) **Whiskers Rescue, Inc.** to conduct an On-Premise Draw/Tricky Tray and an On-Premise 50/50 on September 18, 2015 at the VFW Post 4699, Sayreville (RA:1947&RA:1948).
- 3) **Animal Rescue Force** to conduct an Off-Premise 50/50 on Oct. 24, 2015 at Sayrebrook Animal Hospital (RA:1949)

- (1-3) Approved

c) Committee Reports

- 1) Councilwoman Novak reported that the Municipal Budget was adopted at the last meeting following the Public Hearing and now you will start to see infrastructure improvements.

- **PLANNING & ZONING – Councilman Buchanan**

a) Notice to Adjacent Property Owners received from Middlesex Energy Center, LLC, Jernee Mill Rd., Blk. 56, Lot 1.01 & 1.02 on an application to NJDEP under the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act Rules (file in Clerk's Office).

- Receive & File

b) Received the following **Planning Board Resolutions** which were **Memorialized on May 6, 2015:**

- Lakeview Drive Extension, Fair Share Evaluation Report
- Luxury Point of Sayreville

Parcel A: Block 259, Lot 1.01; Block 270, Lot 1.02;
Block 270, Lots 1.11 & 1.01;
Block 271, Lot 2.01; Block 280, Lot 1.11

Parcel B: Block 257, Lot 2; Block 258, Lots 1.01 & 2;
Block 264, Lot 1.01

Parcel C: Block 257, Lots 3.04 & 3.052; Block 257.01,
Lots 1, 1.01, 4,5,6,7,1.10 & 30.12; Block 257.02,
Lots 1, 1.01 & 23; Block 257.02, Lot 1

- Receive & File.

c) Committee Reports:

- 1) Progress.

- **PUBLIC WORKS – Councilwoman Kilpatrick**

a) Committee Reports:

1) Councilwoman Kilpatrick asked that the council look at replacing the wood mulch in the parks with the rubber version due to infestation of bugs and other disease.

Progress.

- **RECREATION – Councilman Melendez**

a) Committee Reports:

1) Councilman Melendez reported on the various recreation sponsored programs and events being offered.

2) IT Report – Security Camera upgrade was approved tonight.

- Microphone and camera upgrade in council chambers.

Progress.

Councilman Buchanan asked how many changes were made from the get go. The engineer have the history. Further comments were made by Councilman Rittenhouse regarding the consensus of the council at last meeting to disband the by-pass committee and instructed him to have them appear before the council tonight to thank them and now I am hearing that you want them to continue their work but do not want professional attending. Councilwoman Novak asked if this was something that needs a resolution. Mr. DuPont said that he needed further conversation for clarification.

Mayor said that for clarification purpose, that when this first started there were many residents upset. So he put together a committee of residents from the area and it was their job to review it, speak to the engineer and form a consensus and have their input into what was happening. The charge he gave them was that there is a traffic problem and are looking for a solution. At no time did the committee have any jurisdiction over whether or not the project could proceed or not. They are essentially a group of area residents to review the traffic problem and its solution; when the road was accepted by the residents, then what the intersecting cross streets would be attached. But denying them the use of the engineer is like putting them in a dark room and asking them to draw a map. They have nothing to do with the expenditure of \$1.7 million dollars. That was council who approved engineering and permitting fees. He said that the state is difficult because the roadway would cross through wetlands, etc. It was a question of applying, re-applying, modifying the application and the process, etc. He commended the by-pass committee. He thinks we will be handicapping them without the input of the engineer. The committee never had the authority to say yes or no to the project, that is up to the governing body. He will ask Wayne how much was spent by the by-pass committee.

- **PUBLIC SAFETY – Council President McGill**

- a) Request for **coin toss** at the intersection of Washington & Ernston Roads from 10am-2pm received from Whiskers Rescue, Inc. on Nov. 14 & 15, 2015.

-Approved.

- b) Request for approval on the following **Firefighter applications**:

- 1) Paul Conlon as a Full member of Sayreville Engine Co., application was accepted at their March 26, 2015 meeting.

-Approved.

- c) **Request to Travel** received from Sayreville Engine Co. No. 1 to sell their raffle tickets at an Open House Event at Sport Honda, Metuchen, NJ on May 30, 2015.

-Approved.

- d) Committee Reports –

- 1) Thanked everyone in Public Works and the engineer for their work over the weekend on Kearney Road drainage issue.

- 2) Questioned the Security Camera issue at the Sr. Center.

- Co. Melendez stated that they did a site survey and when security gets up and running the next step is to link up security at the senior center.

- 3) Councilman told the Main Street By-Pass Committee that they appreciate all that they are doing. We are looking to move forward with the project.

- **MAYOR – Kennedy O'Brien**

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

- Admin. & Finance**

- a) Borough Clerk is requesting authorization to appoint Enza Tsaptsinos Permanent Part Time - Clerk Typist II, effective May 27, 2015 (replacement).

- Approved/Resolution.

- b) Borough Clerk is requesting authorization for MuniCode to perform a Legal Analysis/Review and U-Date our Municipal Code as necessary at a fee not to exceed \$5,800. + \$150./teleconference when necessary.
- Approved/Resolution.
- c) Authorization for the CDBG Coordinator to submit an Application for 2015 CDBG Funds to HUD for the following projects:
- Senior Center Window Replacement \$ 30,000.
 - Quaid Street Reconstruction \$181,308.
- Approved/Resolution.
- d) Authorization to execute a Host Agency Agreement with Easter Seals of NJ for the continuation of the Senior Community Service Employment Program for the period of July, 2015 through June, 2016.
- Approved/Resolution.

- Planning & Zoning

- a) Received quotes to demolish home on 124 Buchanan Avenue as previously discussed. There was only one (1) respondent one proposal received for \$19,900.
- Approved/Resolution.
 - Councilman Buchanan asked that a lien be placed on the property for the work.

- Public Safety

- a) Discussion:

Maintenance of properties affected by Blue Acres Buy Out. He said that he handed out a MOU from the State that indicated that the property is to go back to its natural state but municipalities may use it for passive recreational purposes. We have been receiving requests from the property owners who elected to remain that the other properties be maintained by the municipalities.

Mr. Frankel wanted clarification from the council that the properties are to remain in their natural state and we will not expend any monies to maintain the properties. The Borough Attorney stated that the contract was pretty specific.

Mayor asked if there was any comment.

Councilwoman Novak said that she had talked to someone from FEMA who stated that their preference is that it remains in its natural state with vegetation growing on it which will help take care of water issues.

Mayor asked if there were any objections. None made.

- Public Works

- a) Authorization to extend the contract for Annual Maintenance and Repair of Borough Elevators with Standard Elevator for one additional and final year with no increase in price.

- Approved/Resolution.

- b) Authorization to appoint Thomas R. Farbaniec from Temp to Permanent status as Laborer in the Dept. of Public works, effective May 27, 2015 (Replacement).

- Approved/Resolution.

- c) Request for authorization for the Board of Education to use the Portable Stage for their graduation ceremony from June 22-24, 2015.

- Approved.

- Recreation

- a) Request for Special Event Permit received from the Sayreville EMS to hold an Open House/Wet Down on May 23, 2015.

- Approved/Permit.

- Water & Sewer

- Closed Session Items

- **C.F.O. - Wayne Kronowski**
 - a) Bond Ordinances for Introduction at May 26th meeting.
 - Various Improvements - \$1,400,000.00
 - Various Vehicles & Equipment - \$2,300,000.00See attached for details.

- **BOROUGH ENGINEER - Jay Cornell**
 - a) 2015 Roof Replacement Project – Receipt of bids (Report Attached)
Awarded tonight.
 - b) Major Drive Waterfront Improvements – Receipt of bids (Report Attached)
- If ordinance gets adopted then resolution can go on at the same time to award.
 - c) Highview Homes Site Plan – Bond Release Request (Report Attached)
- Approved/Resolution.

- **BOROUGH ATTORNEY - Michael DuPont**
 - a) Update – Main Street By-Pass Committee
- (Reported on earlier in meeting)

- **EXECUTIVE SESSION - (none)**

6. PUBLIC PORTION

At this time Mayor O'Brien opened the meeting to the public or any and all issues. Those appearing were:

- Shirley Read, Member Main Street By-Pass Committee, 14 Wilbur Terrace
-Committee member since 2011 and served as secretary so if anyone is interested in the cost, etc. they are welcome to look back at her binder. She stated that there are a lot of things one has to know before you make a recommendation regarding the Main Street By-Pass. Jay Cornell, Sgt. Bartlinski and the Police Chief's attendance at the meetings are extremely important to her and the committee. They helped to educate the committee. She suggested that the council come to one of their meetings before they make the decision as to whether or not they need professionals attend and guide and answer questions and offer direction. She told the council that what held up the By-Pass was the State of New Jersey. She said if you want to know how much money was spent and on what look at her notes.

- Paul Campagna, 8 Gwizdak Ct. - Member Main Street By-Pass Committee
-Stated at last meeting he gave a presentation along with all the available options. There were three recommendations and the council proceeded with the recommendations, come to find out that now their job was done. Phase I is close to being done, Phase II is the most difficult part of the project and Phase III will not be easy either. Why is the council saying their job is done when the project is only 1/3 done. He said that the cost of the engineer for attending the meetings is under \$1,000 dollars. He said that every house along that property line could lose property value. He said that without the borough engineer they could not make recommendations. He said that he lives there he will continue the fight, continue to make sure the project is done end executed properly, will make sure the kids in the neighborhood are safe be it through this committee or some other means.

- Ernie Read, 14 Wilbur Terrace, By Pass Committee Member.
-He said that he learned first hand as a retired teacher that if you are going to collect data it needs to be first hand accurate data in order to make a recommendation or decision.

No further questions or comments.

Councilwoman Novak made a motion to close the public portion. Seconded by Councilman Rittenhouse.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes. Carried.

- **EXECUTIVE SESSION - None**

- **ADJOURNMENT**

No further business.

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

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes.

Time: 8:15 P.M.

SIGNED:

Theresa A. Farbaniec, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Date Approved