

Mayor Kennedy O'Brien opened the Agenda Meeting at 7:55PM followed by a salute to the flag.

- **STATEMENT OF NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Municipal Clerk Farbaniec announced that this Agenda Meeting being held on Monday, September 28, 2015 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 is on file in her office.

- **ROLL CALL:**

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

Absent: Councilwoman Kilpatrick

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, Borough Attorney

Others Absent: None

- **OLD BUSINESS**

a) -If the following Ordinances were introduced at Council meeting they will be listed for Public Hearing and Adoption on October 13, 2015.

ORDINANCE # 307-15
AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING
ORDINANCE #303-15 FINALLY ADOPTED ON AUGUST 24, 2015
AMENDING CHAPTER II OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES
OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE SECTION 2-15.5d "JACKSON PARK FEES"

(Co. Melendez, Recreation Committee – Public Hearing, Oct. 13, 2015)

ORDINANCE #308-15
AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER XV
OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORAINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF
SAYREVILLE TO AMEND SECTION 15-1.7 PERMIT FEES FOR
UNIFORM FIRE CODE AND NON-LIFE HAZARD USE FEES

(Co. Buchanan, Planning & Zoning Committee – Public Hearing, October 13, 2015)

ORDINANCE #309-15
AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING
ORDINANCE #299-15, FINALLY ADOPTED ON AUG. 10, 2015
AMENDING CHAPTER VIII OF THE REVISED GENERAL
ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE, SECTION 8-20
TO CORRECT AND ADD FEE FOR CERTIFICATION OF A VITAL STATISTIC RECORD.

(Co. McGill, Public Safety Committee – Public Hearing October 13, 2015)

- **NEW BUSINESS:**

a) Ordinances for Discussion - None

COMMUNICATIONS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCE – Councilwoman Novak**

a) **Minutes & Departmental Reports:**

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

- 1) Municipal Clerk's report for the month of Aug., 2015.
 - 2) CFO's Investment Activity report for the month of Aug., 2015.
 - 3) Office on Aging Supervisor's report for the month of Aug., 2015
- Motion seconded by Councilman Buchanan.

b) Applications for **Bingo/Raffle Licenses** received from the following Organizations:

- 1) Special Bingo Application received from **Sayreville Office on Aging** to conduct a Bingos on premise from Oct. 11, 2015 through Oct. 11, 2017.
- 2) **Sayreville Riverdogs Gray** to conduct an Off Premise Raffle on December 12, 2015 (RA:1976) and an On Premise 50/50 as well as an On Premise Draw (Tricky Tray) to be held on Nov. 21, 2015 at the Sayreville VFW (RA:1977, RA:19783).

b) 1& 2 Approved.

c) Committee Reports:

- 1) Requested her Finance Committee meet prior to the next meeting scheduled for October 13, 2015 at 6:30.

- **PLANNING & ZONING – Councilman Buchanan**

a) **Minutes & Departmental Reports:**

Councilman Buchanan moved the following reports/minutes be received & filed:

- 1) Construction Officials report, Zoning and Code Enforcement report, and Fire Prevention report all for the month of August, 2015.
- 2) Board of Adjustment Minutes of Aug. 26, 2015.
- 3) Middlesex County Planning Board minutes of June 9, 2015

Motion seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

b) Request from resident of 71 Marsh Avenue for Construction Fees for Elevation Permits be waived for repairs due to Hurricane Sandy . (Fees were reversed back to normal 7-25-14 #2014-219).

- - Engineer reported that the resident had a heart attack back when the waiver was offered and felt that if he had not he would have qualified.

Mayor asked if there were any objections.

None made.

- - Municipal Clerk asked for clarity, that this would be only for this one resident.

Mayor stated that was correct.

c) Committee Reports - Councilman Buchanan:

- 1) Thanked everyone who helped make Sayreville Day a success yesterday, especially the Sayreville Day Committee, Public Works, first aid, auxiliary, vendors, etc.
- 2) Questioned where we were with the sewer building.
 - Engineer stated that we did receive bids which is the third time they exceeded the budgeted amount. So at this time the Administrator and the Attorney could go ahead and negotiate a contract.
- 3) Progress.

- **PUBLIC WORKS – Councilwoman Novak for Co. Kilpatrick**

a) **Minutes & Departmental Reports:**

Councilwoman Novak moved the following minute or reports be received and filed.

- 1) All Public Works Supervisor's reports for the month of Aug, 2015.
Motion seconded by Council President McGill.

b) Request received from **Our Lady of Victories HSA** for approval to **hang promotional banners** advertising their annual Christmas Bazaar on school/church property from

Oct. 12th – Nov. 16, 2015 at the intersection of Washington Rd. & Bissett St., Pole #JC519SE.BT279S8.

- Approved.

c) Committee Reports:

1) Progress.

• **RECREATION – Councilman Melendez**

Minutes & Departmental Reports:

Councilman Melendez moved the following minutes or reports be received and filed:

1) Recreation Director's report for the month of August, 2015.
Motion seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

b) Committee Reports – Councilman Melendez:

- 1) Thanked everyone involved for a successful Sayreville Day and Car show this past weekend.
- 2) Reported on other Recreation sponsored events.
- 3) IT update
- 4) Commented on the new faces in the audience tonight and invited other residents to attend.
- 5) Progress.

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

a) **Minutes & Departmental Reports:**

Councilman Rittenhouse moved the following minutes or reports be received and filed:

1) Water & Sewer Director's report for the month of August, 2015. - (move to)
Motion seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

b) Committee Reports – Councilman Rittenhouse:

- 1) Thanked everyone for their efforts in making Sayreville Day a huge success. He also thanked the Lieutenant Governor for attending as well as Assemblyman Coughlin and Freeholder Kenny.
- 2) Commented on switching attorneys back in February for the Temple Litigation matter and has asked Co. Buchanan for the RFP and how much we are paying and have still not received that information and that the only RFP we have for Weiner Lesniak is for \$150. Not \$170.
He made a motion that the council ask for Weiner Lesniak for a rebate at the rate of \$150.00 not \$170.00.
Mayor called for a second. No second.
Mayor stated that the motion dies for a lack of a second.

• **PUBLIC SAFETY – Council President McGill**

a) **Minutes & Departmental Reports:**

Councilman McGill moved the following minutes or reports be received and filed:

- 1) Board of Health reports for the month of Aug., 2015
- 2) Police Chief's report for the month of Aug., 2015
- 3) Court Administrator's report for the month of Aug., 2015

Motion seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

b) Committee Reports – Council President McGill

- 1) Will be working with the Business Administrator regarding the Raritan Street parking area and names.
- 2) Would like to further discuss the Senior Housing Development that the Director brought before the governing body at the last meeting and has been before SERA with a letter coming from SERA.
Mayor asked if he would like to have the discussion now or after committee reports.
Council President responded after the committee reports.
- 3) Progress.

- **MAYOR – Kennedy O’Brien**

- 1) Reported on how much he enjoys Sayreville Day and thanked the Sayreville Day Committee for their hard work, a good day was had by all.
- 2) Asked if there has been any solution for the overgrown weeds we have growing out at MacArthur Avenue and Weber Avenue.

Mr. Frankel said he spoke with Fawn McGee from Blue Acre program and she has been in touch with Rutgers University and the College of NJ with their Landscape Architecture Programs. She has us as #1 in her mind but don't know if there is going to be money allocated to it but they are talking about it. He also spoke with Bernie Bailey for a proposal for hiring a landscaping company. One would be outsourcing it to Green Leaf Landscaping which would cost us \$75.00 per property to cut the grass \$25.00 to clean and weed wack and \$25.00 for trimming. Or in house paying overtime or hire more employees. Mayor stated that he was looking for a planting solution and maintenance. Mr. Frankel said then we would have to wait for Rutgers and the College of NJ for their study recommendation and think they are then looking at towards the end of the year. So Progress.

3) Mayor commented on various OPRA requests for his personal information on his e-mail, cell phone, pension, income, etc.

Mayor stated that at this point he called for the discussion on the Senior Housing Project.

Council President McGill called forward George Gonzalez.

Appearing was George, Gonzales, Chairman Sayreville Housing Authority.

He said that they went before SERA as the council requested and they presented the same information. He said that the majority of the members there felt it was a good thing for the town and for the seniors in town. That they now look forward to appearing before the Planning Board on Oct. 7th and look forward to the day this council moved forward approval via resolution.

Mike D’Addio, Chairman of SERA

He said that the Chairman of the Housing authority appeared before them this past Thursday. A developer has not yet been appointed nor is there any redevelopment agreement. He said that they looked at the property, approx. 6 acres next to the mini mall on Ernston Road. He stated that they determined that it does meet the criteria to be placed in a Redevelopment Zone. He did say that there were a few questions during the meeting such as why this property has sit for so long. Good piece of commercial property. Questioned the Mayor why he had not done anything with this property for over 16 years.

Mayor said that is not a good location as you look at the back of the mini mall, the water tower and the enormous radio tower, and Patel food market and back up to Oak Tree Development.

Heated discussion followed.

Mayor called for the Business Administrator’s report.

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

- Admin. & Finance**

- 1) Informed the governing body that he met with NJ Manufactures insurance and they have been approved by the State Banking and Insurance and will be offering home and auto and boat insurance to our employees.

- Planning & Zoning**

- Public Safety**

- Public Works

1) Authorization to auction vehicles and equipment no longer needed for public use, through sealed bids.

- Resolution.

2) Authorization to purchase leaf bags from Dano Group of Stamford, CT, through Somerset County Cooperative Purchasing System #250CCP, for an amount not to exceed \$22,776.

- Resolution.

3) Lighting problem/complaint in Kennedy Park was fixed through our Dept. of Public Works and JCP&L replacing most of the bulbs.

- Councilwoman Novak commended our police auxiliary for going out and surveying all of the lighting in our town.

- Councilman Buchanan brought up about the problems with the lighting at the soccer field. Mr. Frankel stated that they are overheating and they called an electrician and the problem in being addressed and monitored and is something that will probably be put in next years' budget for upgrades.

- Public Works/Recreation

1) Authorization to purchase and install **playground equipment for Senior Center Park** (Old Washington School) **and Jackson Street Park** through Middlesex County Regional Education Commission Services (MRESC) Cooperative Purchasing System from GameTime of Spring Lake, NJ and installation by Whirl Construction a Certified Game Time Installer in the amount of \$76,158.79.

- Resolution.

2) Authorization for Direct Install to lighting upgrade to the Free Public Library which was not complete at the time of install.

- Resolution.

- Recreation

- Water & Sewer

1) Authorization to advertise for the receipt of bids for the purchase of One Kohler 200REOZT or equivalent Generator and Trailer Set (Contract #2015-10).

- Resolution.

Mr. Frankel updated everyone on the Energy Aggregation program and how many opted out to date and how many chose to remain in the program. He stated that the Opt Out period ended this past Friday.

○ **C.F.O. - Wayne Kronowski**

a) Discussion on Best Practices Inventory.

- He stated that he wanted to ensure that everyone did review it and that it will be filed digitally in Trenton.

b) 2014 Audit Reports were received today and placed before you, which should be reviewed and if nothing else the back of the report where the comments and recommendation appear should be reviewed and the Clerk with have a Resolution and statement for signature at the next meeting.

● **BOROUGH ENGINEER -Jay Cornell**

a) Modifications to the former Bordentown Avenue Water Treatment Plant Building – Receipt of Bids (Report Attached).

- Already discussed.

b) NJ Transportation Trust Fund –

- 2016 Municipal Aid Program (Verbal Report).

- Resolutions.

- **BOROUGH ATTORNEY - Michael DuPont**

- **EXECUTIVE SESSION – None**

- **PUBLIC PORTION**

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

Those appearing were:

- Barry Stern, 927 Main Street

Questioned the surveillance program for the police dept. and if the borough will be erecting a surveillance cameras at various locations throughout the borough.

Councilman Melendez responded that right now the cameras will be installed at the police complex, library and the senior center.

Questioned when the project at the end of Chevalier Avenue be completed. Mayor responded and explained that they first have to build the new on and off ramp on the parkway and will probably take about 10-15 years.

- Bill Henry, Orchard Street

Commented to the Mayor that he was not involved in that OPRA request he mentioned earlier. He then commented on the Mayor's lack of qualifications for the position he took at the State. And that after 3-4 years he can retire with a pension and lifetime benefits.

- Ted Petersen, Crestview apartments

-Commented about Co. Kilpatrick getting offended about his comments at the last meeting about her not answering or returning phone calls.

- But the Mayor was the only one who returned his phone calls and offered to help him.

- He stated he is being illegally evicted.

Comments made by Councilman Rittenhouse and Councilwoman Novak in response to Ted Petersen.

- Bob Kominkiewicz, 103 Ernston Road

- Traffic on Ernston Road

- Sayreville Day was a great day.

Hours should be 12-5 not 11-4

- Weed problem on MacArthur Avenue, asked if they could be burned out.

- Commented on the football helmets.

Response by Councilman Buchanan regarding the need for the helmets.

- Ted Petersen, Crestview Apartments

-Commented that he is looking for the right thing to be done for the tenants of Sayreville.

- Need affordable housing for tenants.

Response by Mayor O'Brien. On the number of renters in Sayreville.

- Jorge Gonzalez, Housing Authority

- Commented that this is the type of person they are looking at helping.

No further questions or comments.

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

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes. Carried.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

No further business.

Councilman Rittenhouse made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Councilman Buchanan.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes.

Time: 8:47P.M.

SIGNED:

Theresa A. Farbaniec, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Date Approved