

BOROUGH of GARWOOD

Regular MINUTES of the COUNCIL MEETING

August 12, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in Council Chambers and called to order at 8:18 p.m. by Mayor Quattrocchi. She asked all present to participate in a moment of silence, followed by a salute to the flag.

Adequate notice of this meeting was provided to the Westfield Leader, advertised on January 9, 2014, notification was sent to the Star Ledger and prominently posted on the municipal public bulletin board and filed in the office of the municipal clerk informing the Public of the time and place according to the Provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L. 1975).

Mayor Quattrocchi asks at this time please turn your cell phones to off or vibrate.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Quattrocchi (Not voting), Council President Tarantino, Councilman Martin, Councilman Mathieu, Councilman Nierstedt, Councilman Petruzzelli, Councilwoman Todisco.

Also Present: Borough Administrator/Clerk Christina Ariemma, and Borough Attorney Robert Renaud.

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council held on July 22, 2014.

Workshop Session of the Mayor and Council held on July 22, 2014.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Council President Tarantino, **Seconded by** Councilman Nierstedt.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) **NEW JERSEY STATE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES –**
 - a. Mayor's Advisory –
 - i. 07/21/14, RE: Social Security Extends Access to Benefit Verification - Multiple Options Available
 - ii. 07/22/14, RE: Update on Federal Policies
 - iii. 07/22/14, RE: A. Weekly Summer Update Amendment the NJ Spill Act B. Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board Education Center Coming Soon
 - iv. 7/24/14, RE: I. League Technology Management Support Service II. Grant Seminar Series Helps Municipal Officials Find Funding to Meet Their Needs
 - v. 7/24/14, RE: Division Issues Local Finance Notice on Secondary Bond Market Continuing Disclosure Commitments
 - vi. 7/30/14, RE: New Content on DLGS Web Site
 - vii. 08/01/14, RE: Important New Jersey Supreme Court Decision on the Optional Municipal Charter Law and New Jersey Civil Rights Act
 - viii. 08/04/14, RE: A. Weekly Summer Update I. Governor Creates New Jersey Pension and Health Benefit Study Commission II. League Submits COAH comments
 - ix. 08/05/14, RE: Federal Update-Several Matters: I. Congress Passes Transportation Program Extension, II. Urge Our Senators to Support S 2609, the Marketplace and Internet Fairness Tax Act, III. Department of Transportation Proposes New Rail Safety Standards, IV. NLC Urges Support for Resolution Recognizing 40th Anniversary of CDBG, V. President's Plan to Help Cities Prepare for the Impacts of Climate Change, VI. Veterans Affairs Reform Bill Passes Both Houses
 - x. 08/06/14, RE: I. Preventing Financial Exploitation Post-Disaster Conference
 - xi. 08/07/14, RE: I. Help Us Protect and Restore Local Telcom Revenues (Follow-up on June 23 letter)
- 2) **UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS – 07/21/14, RE: County Ordinances**
RECEIVED AND FILED
- 3) **RAHWAY VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY – 07/21/14, RE: Resolution 14-24, Increasing member flow rights.**
RECEIVED AND FILED
- 4) **THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK – 07/23/14, RE: Resolution 148-14 and 149-14.**

- RECEIVED AND FILED**
5) **GARWOOD PLANNING BOARD** – 7/24/14, RE: Minutes of the meeting held on May 28, 2014
and the meeting of June 4, 2014
RECEIVED AND FILED

ORDINANCES:

NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICE: Councilman Martin, Chr.

In July, Chief Underhill was made aware of a Military Surplus website for Law Enforcement Agencies to procure new and used military equipment at no or little cost. The Garwood Police Department acted quickly and were one of the first agencies to be cleared for access to the site. After reviewing available equipment, Lt. Wright put in for and was cleared for several vehicles and equipment acquisitions.

Last week Chief Underhill and several members of the department responded to Fort Dix and after examination, picked up two (2) military version Humvees in excellent shape and with low miles along with four (4) new & mounted tires. Each Humvee is valued at approximately \$40K and the tires & rims at about \$5K. **These items came to Garwood at no cost.** A 2.5 ton transport truck, although a good asset to have; was decided against as just too big for our purposes. The Humvees are the full military version diesel, 4 wheel drive units that come with high ground clearance and are capable of traversing into and through six feet of water. These special service units are not for everyday use. They will be deployed as needed for OEM purposes & severe weather conditions such as heavy snow, flooding or hurricanes. They are also a great public relations centerpiece for the Department and Borough. Special Thanks to Capt. Stoffer, Lt. Wright, and PO's Kleinsorgen & Wright for their time and efforts.

Additional equipment being looked into which might benefit Garwood as a whole include a Backhoe equipped Loader, a Trailered high capacity Water Pump, Generators and other heavy equipment. Again – these items come to us at little or no cost. This is the US Government returning tax payer funded equipment to State, County and Local agencies.

The negotiations committee met on August 4, 2014 with the PBA Attorney to discuss strategies and the plan for negotiating the 2015 PBA contract. The committee is very confident for a successful conclusion to the process. The next step is for the attorney to prepare a proposal for presentation to the PBA. The meetings will commence in early September. That's all for my report.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Councilwoman Todisco, **Seconded by** Councilman Nierstedt.

Councilwoman Todisco complimented the Chief and Police for acquiring the equipment. Council President Tarantino thanked the PD and asked where the equipment will be stored.

PUBLIC HEALTH: Councilwoman Todisco, Chr. No Report

STREETS AND ROADS/ECOLOGY: Councilman Nierstedt, Chr. No Report

FIRE: Councilman Mathieu, Chr.

In the month of July, there were a total of 21 incidents, including 3 mutual aid calls for a total of 303 total man hours. That's all for my report.

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Councilwoman Todisco, **Seconded by** Councilman Nierstedt.

FINANCE: Councilwoman Todisco, Chr. No Report

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Councilman Petruzzelli, Chr. No Report

LAWS AND LICENSES: Council President Tarantino, Chr. No Report

RECREATION: Councilman Petruzzelli, Chr. No Report

COMMITTEE ON AGING: Council President Tarantino No Report

LIBRARY, MAYOR'S REPRESENTATIVE: Mayor Quattrocchi No Report

SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON: Councilwoman Todisco No Report

CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENTS AND HOLIDAYS LIAISON: Councilman Martin No Report

UNION COUNTY AIR TRAFFIC NOISE ADVISORY BOARD REPRESENTATIVE: Councilman Mathieu
No Report

ATHLETIC FIELD COMPLEX PROJECT COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE:

Thank You Mayor

The monthly construction meeting was held today Aug. 8th at borough hall. In attendance were Borough Administrator, DPW Superintendent, and Professional for the project and Flanagan's Construction.

Discussion took place on: exhaust hood installation, railings for the handicap ramp and stairs, water issues on the basketball court & baseball field and basketball court

We are still waiting for the final two doors to be delivered.

The phone company has been contact for service to the building and installation is set for Aug. 15th

When asked about a new construction schedule, one could not be provided at this time.

That's all for my report

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Councilwoman Todisco, **Seconded by** Council President Tarantino.

Councilwoman Todisco asked questions that Councilman Petruzzelli responded to. Other questions were asked and answered.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Treasurer/CFO Sandy Bruns quarterly report

Municipal Tax Collector Aggie Kurzweil monthly report for July 2014

Municipal Court Administrator Martha Marino monthly report for July 2014

Zoning Code Enforcement Officer Len DiStefano for the month of July 2014

Motion: Action: Approve, **Moved by** Councilwoman Todisco, **Seconded by** Councilman Nierstedt.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bruce Paterson 325 Willow Avenue mentioned the door matter at the AFC. Councilman Petruzzelli answered the mechanics are inside the door and that is why they are custom. He mentioned other matters. He suggested a resolution be presented to the County to eliminate the Sheriff's department in lieu of Sheriff Froehlich's passing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA

(Adoption upon Roll Call)

"Consent agenda items are considered to be routine and will be enacted with a single motion; any items requiring expenditure are supported by a Certification of Availability of funds; any item requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda; all Consent Agenda items will be reflected in the full minutes."

Resolution No. 14-249 acknowledging the passing of UC Sheriff Ralph G. Froehlich

RESOLUTION NO. 14-250

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby awards the following:

Certified Maintenance Support Services Agreement
SV8100 Phone System for Borough Hall

TERM: 12 Months
COST: Not to exceed \$1,473.84
INCLUDES: Certified Parts Replacement
Software Assurance
Certified Advanced Remote Monitoring
Certified Remote Support
Certified Onsite Repair
Premium Service Level

VENDOR: NEC Corporation of America
6535 N. State Highway 161
Irving, TX 75039-2402

RESOLUTION NO. 14-251

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby appoint Wayne A. Maggs, 343 Hemlock Avenue, Garwood, NJ 07027, as Special Police Officer, Class "B" School Crossing Guard, effective August 12, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-252

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey hereby authorize Borough Engineer Donald Guarriello and to prepare specifications and for Municipal Clerk Christina M. Ariemma to advertise for the 2014 DOT Municipal Aid Program.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-254

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby awards the quote for the following:

CONTRACTOR: TCM DISPOSAL.
511 NECK ROAD
BURLINGTON, NJ 08016

PRICE & DESCRIPTION: Disposal of Street Sweepings and Spoils
20 cubic yard container - \$49 per ton

TERM: August 1, 2014 to August 1, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 14-255

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works solicited quotes from vendors for the disposal of Type 23 Vegetative Yard Waste which is Brush, Grass and Mixed Yard Waste combined. Quotes were received as follows:

Vendor	Description	Price
Natures Choice	30 Cubic Yard Roll off	\$600
Natures Choice	Delivered by DPW to transfer station	\$18.00/16.00 cy
Regional Industries	30 Cubic Yard Roll off	\$650
Rotundi & Sons	Failed to submit a quote	-

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby awards the quote to the lowest vendor as follows:

CONTRACTOR: NATURES CHOICE CORPORATION
1 CAVEN POINT AVENUE
JERSEY CITY, N.J. 07305

PRICE & DESCRIPTION: **Type 23 Vegetative Waste**
30 Cubic Yard Roll Off-Container - \$600
\$18.00 per cy mixed delivered to transfer station
\$16.00 per cy grass delivered to transfer station

TERM: August 14, 2014 to August 14, 2015

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to sign a contract prepared by the Borough Attorney.

Council President Tarantino made a motion to remove Resolution No. 14-253 from the consent agenda, motion seconded by Councilwoman Todisco.

Motion: Action: Adopt Consent Agenda as amended, **Moved by** Councilman Nierstedt, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Todisco

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).

Yes: Council President Tarantino, Councilman Martin, Councilman Mathieu, Councilman Nierstedt, Councilman Petruzzelli, Councilwoman Todisco. Consent Agenda as amended was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS DELETED OR REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion to table Resolution No. 14-253 was made by Council President Tarantino, seconded by Councilwoman Todisco.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-253

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby authorize the Police Department Server Replacement Project as follows:

Project Costs	Extended Price
Item Description	
Emergency Services – Data Restoration & Create temporary operations environment 7/19-7/20 (22 hrs @100 = 2,200 less 500 consideration = \$1,700 + 300 for equipment (switch/temp. server)	2,000
Dell Replacement Server – per FBC per attached specs	4,500
Integrated Backup & Recovery Device with 12-month subscription service (Eq. 1,150 + 12 mo. Subscription service @ 129/mo)	2,698
New Server Set-up/Integration (includes migrating data and operations backup to new server)	1,750
Project Total (inclusive of emergency services):	\$10,948

VENDOR: First Byte Corporation
1029 Teaneck Road
Teaneck, NJ 07666

Vote: Motion carried by roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).

Yes: Council President Tarantino, Councilman Martin, Councilman Mathieu abstain, Councilman Nierstedt, Councilman Petruzzelli, Councilwoman Todisco.

Resolution No. 14-253 was tabled.

Ms. Ariemma read Resolution No. 14-256:

RESOLUTION NO. 14-256

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Garwood hereby rescinds Resolution No. 14-238, in its entirety, effective August 12, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-238

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Garwood hereby accepts the proposal from CFO/Treasurer Sandra Bruns for a reduction in salary to \$30,000, without benefits for continued responsibility of the duties of the Office of the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer in accordance with State Statutes and the Code of the Borough of Garwood.

A motion to adopt Resolution No. 14-256 was made by Councilwoman Todisco, seconded by Councilman Nierstedt.

Vote: Motion carried by roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).

Yes: Council President Tarantino, Councilman Martin, Councilman Mathieu, Councilman Nierstedt, Councilman Petruzzelli, Councilwoman Todisco.

Resolution No. 14-256 was adopted.

NEW BUSINESS:

Any new business the Mayor and Council may have: NONE

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

BE IT RESOLVED that the following claims as approved be and the same are hereby ordered paid when properly signed and verified; and the payment of payrolls as listed is hereby confirmed and ratified.

Motion: Action: Adopt, **Moved by** Council President Tarantino, **Seconded by** Councilwoman Todisco

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 6).

Yes: Council President Tarantino, Councilman Martin, Councilman Mathieu, Councilman Nierstedt, Councilman Petruzzelli, Councilwoman Todisco.

ADJOURNMENT

The Next Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on, **TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2014**, in Council Chambers at 7:15 p.m. Workshop Session to start at 7:00 p.m.

Motion: Action: At 8:57 p.m., adjourn, Moved by Council President Tarantino, Seconded by Councilman Nierstedt.