



Borough of Swedesboro Council Meeting
Swedesboro, NJ 08085

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 5, 2005

APPROVED MINUTES

A regular meeting of Borough Council was held on the above date in Council Chambers with the Honorable Thomas W. Fromm presiding. All Councilmen were present.

A moment of silent prayer was followed by the flag salute.

Mayor advised that the meeting was being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law.

Mrs. Gage motioned to approve the minutes of April 18, 2005, regular, seconded by Mr. Daley. Vote all yes.

Mr. Dryden moved to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Vote all yes.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one from the public spoke.

Ms. Churchville moved to close the public portion, seconded by Mr. Murray. Vote all yes.

Committee Reports

Parks & Recreation – Mrs. Gage reported that Fun Day will be held on 6/11/05, rain date, 6/12/05, from 3 PM – 7 PM and also a movie that night at 9 PM. 5/13/05 will be Movie Night.

Mrs. Gage stated that the NYC trip was attended by 47 persons and all had a great time.

Library – Mr. Flaherty reported that the surveyor will be on 5/10/05 and will meet with the architect.

Business Assoc. – Mr. Murray stated that the Town Yard Sale will be held on 5/14/05

Shade Tree – Mayor reported that he and Mr. Murray attended the Earth Day and Arbor Day celebration at the Margaret Clifford School and Mrs. Homan did a great job.

Finance – Mr. Daley stated that he, Mayor Fromm and Borough CFO, John Willadsen went to Trenton to ask about the Discretionary Aid and that our chances are good that we will receive the same as last year.

OLD BUSINESS



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Mrs. .Gage asked about the large tree limbs left after the trees had been trimmed. Ms.Churchville stated that Mrs. .Homan will get them to come back and cut them into smaller pieces for the residents.

Mr. Flaherty stated that Chief Dupper will clean up the 2003 Dodge Van and park it at the Fire House with a Sale Sign for all to see.

Mayor suggested making up flyers to place around town.

Mr. Murray reported that they are ironing out the details of the Redevelopment Plan and that the public hearing will be held on 5/17/05 at 7 PM at the Margaret Clifford School.

Clerk read the following ordinance: BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING OF EAST AVENUE IN THE BOROUGH OF SWEDESBORO, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$205,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF TENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF SWEDESBORO, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTR, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$19,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING.

Mayor stated that it will correct the drainage problem on East Ave. and the residents would be given the opportunity to tie in their sump pumps rather than have them run onto the street.

Mrs. .Gage motioned to adopt the ordinance with a public hearing to be held on May 16, 2005, seconded by Mr. Dryden. Roll Call Vote – all yes.

Clerk read the following resolution: (Sewer tie in on Glen Echo)

Mr. Daley moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mr. Murray. Roll Call Vote – all yes.

Clerk read the following resolution: (Sale of 2003 Dodge Van)

Mr. Daley moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Ms. Churchville. Roll Call Vote- all yes.

Clerk read the following resolution: (Auth. Mayor to sign TWA Sewer Main Exten.Swedes. Sq.)

Mr. Flaherty moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mr. Murray.



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Mayor explained that there are three applications and can only sign off on the one due to further information that the Borough Engineer is waiting for on the other two applications and that by signing this the developer can move forward.

Roll Call Vote – all yes.

Mr. Daley moved to adopt the Arbor Day Proclamation, seconded by Ms.Churchville.
Vote all yes.

Mr. Flaherty moved to approve sick pay benefits to Michael Sparks, for 4/21/05, and 4/22/05, seconded by Mr. Murray. Vote all yes.

Clerk read the following resolution: (Contact Person for the Emp.Practices Lia. Attorney Consultation Service with JIF)

Mr. Flaherty moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mrs. Gage. Roll Call Vote- all yes.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Murray stated that Pastor Tom Woodley was in town and that his project Rebuilding Together did much needed renovations to three homes in Swedesboro. Mr. Murray asked that a proclamation be prepared to recognize his aid and work.

Mayor thanked everyone who participated and that next year they hope to do 30 homes.

Mrs. Gage asked that a special thank you be extended to the Swedesboro-Woolwich Business Association for their donation of \$2000 towards the project.

Mr. Dryden reported that at the property at 26 Glen Echo Ave. there is a potential water leak under the sidewalk and that Public Works will excavate the sidewalk to see where the water is coming from.

Mrs. .Gage asked the status of the drainage problem at 1850 Kings Hwy. Mayor stated that he spoke to the Planning Board and the Borough Engineer and that the Engineer and he met at the site and the grading is unacceptable. Mayor stated that one certificate of occupancy has been issued but the other CO has not and will not be issued until the issue is resolved.

Mr. Flaherty reported that he met with Chief Dupper and the Chief suggested that the Ordinance number be listed on the signs regarding jake braking so that it is very visible to the truck drivers that there is an ordinance in place. Mr. Flaherty stated that signs will be placed at the extreme ends of town on Auburn, Glen Echo, Kings Hwy. and Franklin Sts.



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Mr. Flaherty reported that citizens from Swedesboro and Woolwich had a lot of meetings and the bus stop is now off of Glen Echo and onto Valley Glen Drive. There is still a crossing guard to cross the children over Glen Echo to Valley Glen Dr.

Mayor stated that two or three residents are interested in becoming crossing guards and Mayor asked Chief to drop off employment applications.

Mrs. Gage moved to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Mr. Dryden. Vote all yes.

Tom Stokes, 30 Glen Echo Ave. and Walter Olsen, 26 Glen Echo Ave. complained about the truck traffic on Glen Echo, the trucks jake braking and the debris falling off the trucks.

Mayor reported that he will have Chief Dupper get in touch with Pierson Pit to have them divert the trucks to bypass Swedesboro.

Mr. Flaherty stated that the Borough will be purchasing the speed limit signs that flash in the near future which will help deter the speeders.

Mayor stated that he was told that the trucks stop right before they come into Swedesboro and do something to their trucks. Chief Dupper stated that they are probably putting the tarps on because the Police do make sure that they are covered.

Mr. Dryden moved to close the public portion, seconded by Mrs. Gage. Vote all yes.

Clerk read the following resolution: (Closed Session)

Mr. Daley moved to adopt the resolution, seconded by Ms. Churchville. Roll Call Vote-all yes.

Mayor adjourned to closed session at 7:55 PM.

After returning from closed session, Ms. Churchville moved to pay all duly authorized bills, seconded by Mr. Murray. Vote all yes.

Mr. Murray motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Churchville. Vote all yes.

Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:23 PM.

Dolores M. Connors,
Borough Clerk