



Borough of Swedesboro Council Meeting
Swedesboro, NJ 08085

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
November 5, 2007

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 Act.

Mr. Flaherty moved to approve the minutes of October 15, 2007, regular, seconded by Mrs. Gage. Mr. Casella abstained, all others yes.

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Gretchen Kunkle, Merklng St. stated that Public Works filled in the holes on her street and asked if the Borough will continue to maintain the street. Mayor stated that the issue hasn't been resolved but had asked the men to fill in the holes until the situation is resolved.

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

Committee Reports

Shade Tree – Mrs. Gage stated that the Tree City Certification is due in 12/07 and a conference was attended in Cherry Hill and CEU's were received. Mrs. Gage stated that Tree Awareness has donated two trees and Ron Baus has also donated one tree.

Parks & Recreation – Mrs. Gage announced that their next meeting will be on Wednesday at 7 PM.

Board of Health – Mr. Casella stated that he spoke to the secretary regarding some minor issues about inspections.

Police – Mr. Casella reported that they are close to hiring Class 1 & 2 officers and need to schedule a meeting regarding this. There were 25 applicants and are now down to 15.

Mr. Casella mentioned the transfer resolution and stated that there is money going into the Police OE which is good because additional uniforms are needed. Mayor stated that they should get what they need for uniforms.



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NEW BUSINESS

No one had any new business.

Clerk read the following resolution: (Tax Overpayments)

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

Clerk read the following resolution: (Public Sale of Borough Property)

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

Clerk read the following resolution: (Auth. Mayor to sign agree. With ReycleBank)

Mr. Flaherty moved to adopt the resolution,

Mr. Casella asked if everything was squared away with Omni. Mayor stated that they have all met and all on board. Mr. Casella asked the start date. Mayor stated January 1. Mrs. Gage asked if it was decided how to handle the residents on Lore Dr. Mayor stated that there will be a container on each landing.

Seconded by Ms. Churchville. Roll Call Vote- Gage – yes but stated that it would have been nice if the Chairman of Garbage and Trash had been informed of the on going discussions. Dryden – yes but stated that he resents being considered irrelevant and would have appreciated being notified and allowed to be in on the discussions. All other yes.

Clerk read the following resolution: (Award bid Phase II Streetscape)

Mr. Flaherty moved to adopt the resolution,

Mrs. Gage asked how much was allotted for Phase II. Mayor stated that they have \$350,000 and the bid came in at \$346,556.82 with the alternate items which will enable them to do both sides of Kings Hwy. from Franklin to Lake.

Seconded by Mr. Murray. Roll Call Vote – all yes.

Clerk read the following resolution: (Change Order #1 Second St.)

Mayor explained the reason for the change order for Second St. from 1998. Program was not closed out and Borough was turned down for overlay this year. Change order will repair Second St.

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

Clerk read the following resolution: (Transfers)

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



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Clerk read the following ordinance: ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SWEDESBORO AMENDING CHAPTER 110 OF THE SWEDESBORO CODE ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"

Mr. Flaherty moved to adopt the ordinance with a public hearing to be held on 11/19/07, seconded by Mr. Murray. Roll Call Vote- all yes.

Clerk informed Council that the County is urging municipalities to adopt a keg registration ordinance. After some discussion it was decided not to adopt such an ordinance.

Mr. Dryden moved to approve sick pay benefits for Michael DeNick, 10/15/07, Angelina Michener, 10/16/07, Michael Sparks, 10/26/07, and John Gangemi, 10/31/07 – 11/1/07, seconded by Mrs. Gage. Vote all yes.

OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Gage asked the status of the discussion of last meeting regarding the delivery from the Gloucester County Times of the Advertiser which is all over the neighborhoods. Clerk to check with Borough Solicitor to see if a letter can be sent to tell them to stop delivering this to the Borough.

Mr. Casella asked about the public hearing on the billboard in Woolwich. Mrs. Gage stated that she attended the meeting and they have changed from 2- 12' x 20' billboards to 1- 12' x 20' billboard and there were numerous discussions and that it was continued until their next meeting.

Mayor announced that Tanya Goodwin's' daughter Brooke was crowned Kingsway's Homecoming Queen and that his daughter was a member of the Court.

Mayor also acknowledged Lucille Stewart who was recognized by Anita Hearn organization for her many years of dedication and congratulated her.

Mrs. Gage moved to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Ms. Churchville. Vote all yes.

Elaine Edwards, Auburn Ave. thanks all who came out and supported Game Night.

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

Mr. Dryden moved to pay all duly authorized bills, seconded by Mrs. Gage. Vote all yes.

Mr. Casella moved to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Churchville. Vote all yes.



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Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:32 PM.

Dolores M. Connors,
Borough Clerk