

BOROUGH OF TOTOWA

MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

October 23, 2012

PRESENT: Council President Phil Puglise, presiding, Councilman John Waryas, Councilman Lou D'Angelo, Councilwoman Carolyn Fontanella, Councilwoman Debra Andriani, Councilman Anthony Picarelli, Municipal Clerk Joseph Wassel and Municipal Attorney Robert Corrado.

ABSENT: Mayor John Coiro.

Council President Phil Puglise called the meeting to order and asked the Municipal Clerk to call the roll.

Municipal Clerk Wassel recited the Prayer of the Meeting followed with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag with the public participating.

Council President Puglise asked the Clerk to read the statement of the meeting.

The Municipal Clerk read the following statement: This meeting of the Mayor and Council held on this day is being held in accordance with Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 of the State of New Jersey as amended. The agenda for this meeting has been prepared and distributed to the Mayor and Council and a copy has been on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Council President Puglise asked if any members of the Council, the Municipal Clerk or the Municipal Attorney wished to address the Council.

Councilman Waryas: Advised that the Library will have its Grand Opening on Saturday, October 27, 2012 at 10:30 a.m.

Councilwoman Andriani: 1) Announced that the Board of Recreation will be sponsoring its Haunted Hayride this Friday, October 26, 2012; 2) Mentioned that the Board of Recreation will also have a Halloween Dance on Mischief Night, Tuesday, October 30, 2012 at Washington Park School.

CITIZENS HEARD:

There were no citizens who wished to be heard.

There was a motion by Councilman Waryas, seconded by Councilman D'Angelo to approve the Minutes of the Mayor and Council for the meeting of October 9, 2012. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilwoman Fontanella to approve Resolution No. 2012-22 for the payment of bills. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilwoman Fontanella to adopt the following resolution authorizing the Treasurer to issue refunds to various property owners pursuant to State Tax Court judgments. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there has been a State Tax Court judgment to reduce the evaluation on the following.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer is authorized to refund these amounts:

| Blk | Lot | Owner/Property | Payable To | Yr | From | To | Amount |
|-------------|------|---|--|------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| 180 | 5 | Norwell Land Co./ 700-710 Union Blvd | Sitar Law Offices, LLC Attorney Trust Account 1481 Oak Tree Road Iselin, NJ 08830 | 2010 | \$23,000,000 | \$21,000,000 | \$34,160.00 |
| 180 | 5 | Norwell Land Co./ 700-710 Union Blvd | " " | 2011 | \$23,000,000 | \$20,000,000 | \$58,950.00 |
| TOTAL CHECK | | | | | | | \$93,110.00 |
| 180 | 5.01 | Norwell Land Co./ 740 Union Blvd | " " | 2010 | \$ 2,025,600 | \$ 1,800,000 | \$ 3,853.25 |
| 180 | 5.01 | Norwell Land Co./ 740 Union Blvd | " " | 2011 | \$ 1,908,500 | \$ 1,600,000 | \$ 6,062.03 |
| TOTAL CHECK | | | | | | | \$ 9,915.28 |

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilwoman Fontanella to approve payment of the 4th Quarter 2012 Budget Allotment to the Dwight D. Eisenhower Library in the amount of \$196,064.50. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilwoman Fontanella to approve payment of the annual contribution to the Happy Seniors and the Totowa Seniors for 2012 in the amount of \$2,000.00 each. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY:

There was no report.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:

There was no report.

COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING & PUBLIC PROPERTY:

There was no report.

COMMITTEE ON LIAISON & INSPECTION:

There was no report.

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION & ORDINANCES:

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilwoman Andriani to introduce on first reading and advertise for public hearing the following entitled ordinance. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

ORDINANCE NO. 12-2012

A CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$176,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF 24" SANITARY SEWER FORCE MAIN SHARED BY LITTLE FALLS, TOTOWA AND WOODLAND PARK, PHASE III, BY THE BOROUGH OF TOTOWA AND TO APPROPRIATE \$68,571 FROM THE RESERVE FOR LAND SALE PROCEEDS AND \$107,429 FROM GENERAL CAPITAL SURPLUS

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilwoman Andriani to approve the Capital Budget Amendment. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilwoman Andriani to approve Raffle License Application No. 1665 for New Jersey Association of Women's Business Owners (NJAWBO) for an On-Premise 50/50 to be held on December 6, 2012 at The Bethwood. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilwoman Andriani to approve Raffle License Application Nos. 1666 & 1667 for the PTO Clifton School #9 for a Tricky Tray and On-Premise 50/50, respectively, to be held on February 1, 2013 at The Bethwood. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilwoman Andriani to approve Raffle License Application No. 1668 for the Academy of St. Francis of Assisi for a Tricky Tray to be held on November 16, 2012. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilwoman Andriani to approve Raffle License Application No. 1669 for the BPOE #2111 Passaic Valley Elks for an On-Premise 50/50 to be held on January 11, 2013. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There being no further business to come before the Council, there was a motion by Councilman Waryas, seconded by Councilman D'Angelo that the meeting be adjourned. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Joseph Wassel, RMC
Municipal Clerk