

BOROUGH OF TOTOWA

MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

August 26, 2014

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

ABSENT: None.

Mayor John Coiro 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.

Mayor Coiro 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.

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

Councilwoman Andriani: 1) Announced that she was in receipt of a letter from P.A.L. Soccer inviting the Mayor and Council to their opening day ceremony on Saturday, September 6, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at the Minnisink Road Field; 2) Also declared that there will be Labor Day festivities going on at the pool on Monday, September 1, 2014.

CITIZENS HEARD:

There were no citizens who wished to be heard.

There was a motion by Councilman Puglise, seconded by Councilman D'Angelo to approve the Minutes of the Mayor and Council for the meeting of August 12, 2014. 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. 2014-18 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 of the Borough of Totowa is authorized to refund these amounts.

<u>BLK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>PROPERTY/OWNER</u>	<u>PAYABLE TO:</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
6	2	555 Preakness Ave. SAR 1 Inc. c/o Marshall & Moran	Saiber LLC as counsel for Plaintiff Mail to: Saiber LLC 18 Columbia Turnpike Suite 200 Florham Park, NJ 07932	2013	2,768,200	2,300,000	\$9,846.25
9	1	1 Ottilio Terrace SAR 1 Inc. c/o Marshall & Moran	Same as above	2013	890,300	800,000	\$1,899.01

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 due to overpayment of 3rd Quarter 2014 taxes. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION

3rd Quarter 2014 Taxes

WHEREAS, there has been an overpayment of taxes on the property listed below; and

WHEREAS, the taxpayer is entitled to a refund; and

WHEREAS, the chart sets forth the refund as follows:

Block	Lot	Property/Owner	Payable to:	Overpayment
165	7	6 Vita Road Steven C. & Christie Filan	Steven C. & Christie Filan	\$1,683.24

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the overpayment shall be refunded to the taxpayer, as stated above, and the Treasurer is authorized to issue separate checks for the refunds, which shall be paid to the stated property owner or taxing authority.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY:

A letter was received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice advising that our Safe and Secure Communities Program Grant has been approved. There was a motion by Councilman Puglise, seconded by Councilman Murphy to accept the grant funds. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

A letter from the Borough of Prospect Park inviting the Mayor and Council to their annual Candlelight Vigil and Freedom Walk on Thursday, September 11, 2014 was received and filed.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:

Upon the recommendation of DPW Superintendent Jim Niland, there was a motion by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Puglise to approve a grade increase for DPW Laborer Sean Yennie from Grade 1-B to Grade 1-A, effective August 27, 2014. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Upon the recommendation of DPW Superintendent Jim Niland, there was a motion by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Puglise to approve a grade increase for DPW Laborer Steve Filan from Grade 3 to Grade 2, effective August 27, 2014. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Upon the recommendation of the County Of Passaic, Department of Planning and Economic Development, there was a motion by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Puglise to adopt the following resolution to reject the RFP's for Project/Construction Manager for the CDBG—DR Program and to authorize the Borough Clerk to re-advertise. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION NO. 87-2014

RESOLUTION REJECTING PROPOSALS FOR PROJECT/CONSTRUCTION MANAGER FOR THE CDBG-DR PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Borough of Totowa has received a grant from Passaic County as a sub grantee of the State of New Jersey from funding provided by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Hurricane Irene Disaster Recovery Program to implement the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (“CDBG-DR”) Program; and

WHEREAS, more specifically, the Borough of Totowa will use the funds to acquire 5 homes which were damaged by Hurricane Irene and will be demolished and converted to open space for community-wide use in perpetuity; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa desire to retain the services of a Project/Construction Manager to assist the municipality with coordination of services from a variety of professionals for the purchase and demolition of the 5 properties in a manner consistent with all regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa did advertise for receipt of sealed proposals in accordance with the specifications entitled "Notice and Solicitation of Proposals for Project/Construction Manager Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Program"; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Totowa did receive sealed proposals at its Municipal Building on August 6, 2014; and

WHEREAS, proposals were submitted by Mast Construction Services, Inc., 96 E. Main Street, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424 and Gilbane Building Company, 120 Albany Street, Suite 301, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08901, copies of which are on file in the office of the Borough of Totowa Municipal Clerk; and

WHEREAS, both proposals exceeded the sum of \$25,000.00 which represents the amount of the funding dedicated to the services of a Project/Construction Manager CDBG-DR Program; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to reject the proposals submitted by Mast Construction Services, Inc. and Gilbane Building Company for the aforementioned reason and authorize the public re-solicitation of Requests for Proposals for Project/Construction Manager Services for the CDBG-DR Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa do hereby reject the proposals received by Mast Construction Services, Inc. and Gilbane Building Company Proposals for the Project/Construction Manager Services for the CDBG-DR Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa do hereby further authorize the public re-solicitation of Requests for Proposals for Project/Construction Manager Services for the CDBG-DR Program.

COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING & PUBLIC PROPERTY:

There was a motion by Councilwoman Fontanella, seconded by Councilman D'Angelo to adopt the following Resolution Authorizing The Removal Of The Old Boiler At The Municipal Complex. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION NO. 88-2014

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REMOVAL OF OLD BOILER FROM THE
BOROUGH OF TOTOWA MUNICIPAL COMPLEX

WHEREAS, the Borough of Totowa Municipal Complex building has a boiler that is no longer operational; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Totowa Department of Public Works Interim Superintendent has recommended that the boiler be removed from the building and solicited proposals from licensed professional vendors to remove the boiler; and

WHEREAS, Feliciano Scrap & Clean Out, 177 Madison Street, Paterson, New Jersey 07501 has submitted a proposal to remove the boiler at no cost to the Borough of Totowa; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa on August 26, 2014 did examine the proposal submitted by Feliciano Scrap & Clean Out; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Totowa Department of Public Works Interim Superintendent has recommended that Feliciano Scrap & Clean Out be permitted to remove the boiler from the Municipal Complex building upon submission of proof of insurance to the Borough of Totowa; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Totowa Mayor and Council desire to authorize Feliciano Scrap & Clean Out to remove the boiler from the Municipal Complex building upon submission of proof of insurance to the Borough of Totowa; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the applicable New Jersey State laws, these professional services may be awarded without public bidding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa do hereby accept the proposal submitted by Feliciano Scrap & Clean Out to remove the boiler from the Municipal Complex building upon submission of proof of insurance to the Borough of Totowa Municipal Clerk.

COMMITTEE ON LIAISON & INSPECTION:

A letter from the Borough of Prospect Park Recreation Department inviting the Mayor and Council to their 6th Annual Prospect Park Day and Parade on Saturday, September 20, 2014 was received and filed.

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION & ORDINANCES:

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilwoman Andriani to approve Raffle License Application Nos. 1791 & 1792 for Angels of Animals, Inc. for a Tricky Tray and Off-Premise 50/50, respectively, to be held on October 2, 2014 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. 1793 & 1794 for Little Falls School #2 PTA for a Tricky Tray and On-Premise 50/50, respectively, to be held on November 13, 2014 at The Bethwood. 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 Puglise, 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