

BOROUGH OF WENONAH

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COUNCIL MINUTES – BUSINESS MEETING

November 29, 2012

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order: 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Thomas A. Lombardo,
Wenonah Municipal Building, 1 South West Avenue Wenonah, NJ 08090

Roll Call: Present: Farina, Howard, Kaeferle, Lader (7:37),
Absent: Dominy, Norris (Arrived during Closed Session 8:35 pm)
Also present, Solicitor Brian J. Duffield

Open Public Meetings Act Statement:

Adoption of the Agenda: JH/RF AIF

Open to Public: RF/JH AIF

No comments

Close to Public: JH/PK AIF

Mayor Lombardo read a proclamation to congratulate six new Eagle Scouts. There were no scouts present for the reading; however, Jack Lerner, a scout currently working towards the rank of Eagle, represented them. William Norris, Jr. one of the new Eagle Scouts arrived later in the meeting.

Motion to Approve: Ordinance No. 2012-12, 2nd Read. An Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wenonah establishing a new Chapter 62 of the Code of the Borough of Wenonah Entitled "Towing" PK/RF

Open to Public RF/PK

Resident Gary Odenbrett asks for an explanation Solicitor Duffield explained that the Borough never had a Towing Ordinance and Wenonah needs one to be in compliance. It sets up parameters needed to comply with the Towing Act, and also protects residents against usury rates.

Close to Public JH/PK

Roll Call

Ayes: Farina, Howard, Kaeferle, Lader

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Dominy, Norris

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve: October 25, 2012 Business Meeting Minutes

RF/PL

Roll Call

Ayes: Farina, Howard, Kaeferle, Lader

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Dominy, Norris

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve: November 8, 2012 Work Session Meeting Minutes

Roll Call

Ayes: Farina, Howard, Kaeferle,

Nays: None

Abstain: Lader

Absent: Dominy, Norris

Motion Approved

Committee Reports:

Public Buildings & Grounds – J. Dominy: Absent

Public Works – P. Kaeferle:

Councilman Kaeferle made a verbal motion to pursue looking for a new Public Works employee, per PW Supervisor Ken Trovarelli's request. The Public Works Department would like to hire a mature individual who already has the certifications necessary to meet the job obligations.

Public works will be releasing a probationary employee who was unable to obtain the necessary certifications. The verbal motion was seconded by Councilman Farina to seek a qualified Laborer 3 PW employee to start the beginning of next year.

Roll Call

Ayes: Farina, Howard, Kaeferle, Lader

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Dominy, Norris

Motion Approved

Human Services – J. Howard:

Clean Communities Day was Nov.17, 2012. There was a great turn out. Nine various groups volunteered 96 people who participated in raking leaves and cleaning up debris at the Wenonah Park, Community Center, Borough Hall, Cedar field and some parts of the Wenonah Lake. Four bags of recyclable waste were collected.

Finance & Budget – B. Norris: Absent: See Treasurers and Tax Collector reports attached.

Legal & Ordinance – P. Lader: Nothing to report. He stated that he would like to consider looking into obtaining Wenonah Historical preservation status. Would like to discuss further with members of council.

Public Safety/Personnel – R. Farina: See attached Fire Chief and Police OIC report.

Engineers Report:

Engineer Dave Kreck had previously submitted his written report to Mayor and Council. See Engineers report for all projects going on in town. Lake Lowering was done and we will probably do the dredging sometime in January 2013.

Motion to Approve Resolution R-2012-94: Approve \$1,025.39 from the State of New Jersey Body Armor Replacement Fund and amend its 2012 Current Fund Budget to include this amount as revenue. RF/JH

Roll Call

Ayes: Farina, Howard, Kaeferle, Lader

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Dominy, Norris

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Resolution R-2012-95: Approve several items on the Borough's books in the general capital and Utility capital fund that can be canceled, per the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer. PL/RF

Roll Call

Ayes: Farina, Howard, Kaeferle, Lader

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Dominy, Norris

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve: Disbursements

JD/RF

Roll Call

Ayes: Farina, Howard, Kaeferle, Lader

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Dominy, Norris

Motion Approved

Miscellaneous- Representative from the Wenonah Swim Club, Donald Coughlin, asked council if the Swim Club could have their trash picked up during three (3) months in the summer. Councilman Kaeferle indicated he will reach out to our trash hauler in East Greenwich and report back.

Open to Public:

RF/PL

Jack Lerner, 100 S. Marion Avenue, requested permission from Council to work on a Canoe and Landing Ramp at the lake for his Eagle Scout project. Council agreed. There was some discussion among Council as to possible avenues he could pursue to help him with the project.

Councilman Lader complained about the intersection of Mantua and South East Ave. at Hawk's Deli. Traffic was not stopping to let walkers cross and traffic was passing vehicles that did stop. He wanted more police presence and something done.

Close to Public:

RF/PK

Motion to Approve Resolution R-2012-96 Closed Session:

“Personnel and Contract matters regarding Chief of Police candidates”

RF/JH

AIF

Motion to come out of closed session:

PL/JD

Solicitor Duffield indicated no action was taken in Closed Session.

Motion to Adjourn:

PL/PK AIF

8:50pm

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Sweeney, RMC/Treasurer

Approved: Dec.27, 2012