

TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG
Council Meeting Minutes
January 21, 2014

The Phillipsburg Town Council conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building located at 675 Corliss Avenue.

The required Open Public Meeting Act Statement was read by Councilman Stettner.

INVOCATION

by Councilman Stettner

PLEDGE

by the Assembly

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Council President

Tersigni

Council Members:

Piazza, Tersigni, Stettner

Absent Council Members:

Fey, Lynn

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Mayor Wyant, Acting Clerk
Kleiner, Attorney Wenner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of meeting minutes
Were submitted for approval:

Regular Meeting-01-07-14
Executive Session -01-07-14

No discussion

Motion

Councilman Stettner moved for approval of minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Tersigni, Piazza, Stettner

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

SUMMARY

CURRENT FUND	\$947,988.69
STATE & FEDERAL GRANTS	14,921.38
SECTION 8	102.94
SEWAGE UTILITY FUND	130,286.27
SEWAGE CAPITAL FUND	168,177.55
PLANNING BOARD TRUST FUND	54,017.50
DOG TRUST FUND	1,200.00
Section 8 Program	132,091.00
Pre-Paid Bill List as of JANUARY 21, 2014	
CURRENT FUND	\$136,612.00
STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS	44,450.00

SEWER UTILITY FUND	2,391.54
Total pre-paid bills list January 21, 2014	\$183,453.54
Grand total of all funds:	\$1,632,2383.87

Motion

Councilman Stettner moved for approval of bills. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor introduced the gentlemen who came from Anthem Propane they are looking at property on the Ingersoll Rand site.

Council President Tersigni stated Thanks for coming in from Chicago, IL.

Mark Reda from Anthem Propane handed out a history sheet, we were looking at a site in PA, and never looked in NJ.

Council President Tersigni asked if NJ is an option for them.

Mark Reda stated that yes it is. We looked at the site and when we spoke with Councilmen Fey, Mayor Wyant and Council President Tersigni regarding the Ingersoll Rand site. We want to be on the fast track and wanted to get it in. The use of the facility is Propane filling station; we sell gas for fork lifts. We saw a two (2) acre lot, we would construct a 30 X 40 pavilion very simplistic. The propane will be in a cage, there will be truck slots put on trucks and send out.

Greg Fahrberg thanks for coming out in this weather tonight this is what we want to do. We own, and fill tanks; we have 4,000 businesses in DC and Boston. We go from York, PA to Ct. We have a depot in Allentown, PA; we have 27 foot trucks. We have been looking for a site for a year to expand business in the area. We have a lot all the way to Fort Lee, NJ and Newark, NJ. It would be an advantage to the Town the first year we would have 20 – 25 jobs open, the second year 30 – 35 between the plants, trucks operated by people. We are hoping to expand the business into natural gas, oxygen, argon and acetylene gases. The good thing with this site is it is not near any houses, we know all the requirements for fire/safety. The gas is metered by scales. We want to get operating as soon as possible.

Council President Tersigni said that we will help do whatever it takes to accommodate Mr. Reda and Mr. Hadu, we welcome with open arms to accommodate and create jobs it will help create interest at the IR site.

Councilmen Stettner the lot has issues, some environmental which are capped we offer a pilot program talk to our attorney about that.

Councilmen Piazza said he feels the same as Councilmen Stettner said the pilot program and you're looking at how many acres two (2) to start and looking to expand, building loading dock and picking up tanks.

Greg Fahrberg 38 inch, three (3) scales piped to 30,000 gallon tank that sits on concrete piers. It is an environmentally clean fuel

Councilman Stettner stated that we have spoken about a connector road in the past out to Rt 22 and Rt 78

Greg Fahrberg questioned the maintenance of the road

Mayor Wyant said we service it. It is going to expand into industrial

Greg Fahrberg stated that we want to relocate a large portion of our business this area is closer to our suppliers in South Plainfield, NJ. Once we do the piping and tanks we plan on staying quite a while.

Council President we welcome you with open arms

Greg Fahrberg we are growing out of our site so we want to have a quick time frame. Greg Fahrberg questioned the environmental issues.

Attorney Wenner stated that foundry sand – cap and recap fresh soil – footing poured and paving will serve as the new cap.

Greg Fahrberg said that we would pave most of the site

Thank you very much.

CHIEF REPORT

We had speeding on Broad Street and traffic issues in the Freeman School area, Bates Street had a motor bike riding up and down.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS

No Discussion

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ORDINANCES

O: 2014-02 (First Reading)

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING 2014 SALARIES FOR UNCLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES was introduced for a first reading by Councilman Piazza who moved that the ordinance be properly advertised. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

O: 2014 – 03 (First Reading)

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING 2013-2015 YEARS SALARIES FOR LIBRARY EMPLOYEES was introduced for a first reading by Councilman Stettner who moved that the ordinance be properly advertised. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

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O: 2014-04 (First Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
REPEALING AND DELETING SECTIONS 570-11 THROUGH
570-23 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG
RELATIVE TO LONG TERM TAX ABATEMENT was introduced for a
first reading by Councilman Piazza who moved that the ordinance be
properly advertised. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

O: 2014-01 (Second & Final Reading)

ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF CULKIN STREET, IN THE
TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF
NEW JERSEY was introduced for a second reading by Councilman Piazza
and there being no errors corrections or objections, Councilman Piazza
moved that the ordinance be adopted according to law. The motion was
seconded by Councilman Stettner.

No Discussion

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

RESOLUTIONS

R: 2014-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INDUSTRIAL WASTE
DISCHARGE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF
PHILLIPSBURG AND ATLANTIC STATES CAST IRON PIPE
COMPANY was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for
its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

R: 2014-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INDUSTRIAL WASTE
DISCHARGE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF
PHILLIPSBURG AND ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL COMPANY
was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption.
The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn
R: 2014 - 18

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
APPROVING THE PROMULGATION OF UNIFORM RULES AND
REGULATIONS OF THE SHADE TREE COMMISSION OF
THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG FOR HAZARD TREES
COMPANY was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for
its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

R: 2014 – 19

AUTHORIZING IN REM FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS
COMPANY was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for
its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

R: 2014-20

A RESOLUTION AWARDED PURCHASE UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT COMPANY was introduced by Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

R: 2014-21

A RESOLUTION AWARDED PURCHASE UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT was introduced by Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

R: 2014-22

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR INTERFUND TRANSFERS was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

R: 2014 - 23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH RT ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. was introduced by Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

R: 2014-24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE was introduced by Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

R: 2014-25

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SEWER MEETING DATES FOR YEAR 2014 was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

R: 2014-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AWARDING CONTRACT TO LB INDUSTRIES IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$6,580,200.00 was introduced by Councilman
Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by
Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

PUBLIC PETITIONS- NONE

MOTIONS

Approval for Raffle License No. RL: 1186 issued to K of C # 474 Warren
Council for an Off- Premise Raffle on:

May 19, 2014 @ 7:00 PM Councilman Piazza moved to adopt the motion.
The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey, Lynn

EXECUTIVE MEETING

R: 2012- 27

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXECUTIVE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG FOR THE PURPOSE OF Riverfront Redevelopment. No action to be taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Piazza moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.