

TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG
Council Meeting Minutes
July 02, 2013

The Phillipsburg Town Council conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, July 02, 2013 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 Tersigni.

INVOCATION

by Councilman Tersigni

PLEDGE

by the Assembly

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Councilmembers:

Piazza, Tersigni, Lynn, Fey

Absent:

Stettner

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Mayor Wyant, Acting Clerk
Kleiner, Attorney Wenner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of meeting minutes
were submitted for approval:

Regular Meeting-06-18-13

Motion

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

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Tersigni, Piazza,

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

ABSTAIN: Fey

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

SUMMARY

CURRENT FUND	\$ 144,430.99
SEWAGE UTILITY FUND	203,888.89
CAPITAL FUND	3,405.70
PLANNING BOARD TRUST	750.00
SECTION 8	601.68
REVOLVING LOAN FUND	362.00
PAYROLL AGENCY FUND	705.00
Grand Total REGULAR BILLS LIST	\$356,094.26

SECTION 8 PROGRAM

\$0

PRE-PAID BILL LIST

CURRENT FUND

\$735,521.00

Acting Clerk Kleiner asked the Council to consider adding three Z Brothers close-out balances to this. We have received the maintenance bonds on the projects and the punch list is complete and satisfactory to the Engineers specifications.

\$15,329.63

For a total pre-paid bills list of

\$741,824.75

GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS

\$1,097,919.01

Motion

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

VOTE: YEAS: Piazza, Lynn, Tersigni, Fey

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

OLD BUSINESS

None

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Wyant stated that after all the rain we had we ended up doing 22 yards for high grass, which should be coming to council soon. Council President Fey stated this is a continual problem every summer.

Thanks Mayor Wyant

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Cartabona 1119 Fifth Ave., Alpha questioned the resolution regarding the cell phone service R2013-111

Mayor Wyant state that the contract elapsed with sprint but we are getting the same rates with the parent company.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Piazza stated that they had a planning board meeting with Dave Maski the professional planner with the redevelopment plan regarding the distillery. He suggested that council adopt or amend to accept the distillery. Taverns/brewery's/clubs this type of thing will work.

Councilman Tersigni stated I want to thank the planning board and I will support that to the fullest

Attorney Wenner stated that it's a permitted use and Dave Maski with Van Cleef will work on that.

Flynn's is concerned about putting a light under the Pursel street trestle.

Mayor Wyant has a meeting at 11:00 with Stan Creater regarding this.

ORDINANCE

O: 2013-11 (second & final reading)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE O: 2011-20 ADOPTED DECEMBER 06, 2011” was introduced for a second reading by Councilman Tersigni and there being no errors corrections or objections, Councilman Tersigni moved that the ordinance be adopted according to law. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

Discussion: Mr. Cartabona questioned how and what the previous salary was? Council President Fey stated the previous salary was Clerk/Administrator Broubalow’s. Councilman Tersigni stated that Acting Clerk Kleiner is doing a fine job and has tough shoes to fill. Council President Fey added that she has to deal with all of us including you Mayor.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Tersigni, Piazza, Fey

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

O: 2013-12 (second and final reading)

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTERS 140-8 AND 140-9 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG REGARDING BACKGROUND CHECKS Lynn 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 Tersigni.

Discussion: Mr. Cartabona – I fully support of this Ordinance. Council President Fey stated Thank you - we are being proactive with our children.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Tersigni, Piazza, Fey

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

O: 2013-13

A FULLY FUNDED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000.00 FOR THE WALTERS PARK PROJECT IN THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY was introduced for a second reading by Councilman Tersigni and there being no errors corrections or objections, Councilman Tersigni moved that the ordinance be adopted according to law. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.

Discussion: Mr. Cartabona questioned what type of improvements you have in mind. Mayor Wyant stated that the donation was inserted into the budget we gratefully accepted and it was an anonymous donor who is appreciated for that.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Tersigni, Piazza, Fey

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

RESOLUTIONS

R: 2013-110

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REAPPOINTING VICTORIA L. KLEINER AS ACTING MUNICIPAL CLERK AND REGISTRAR FOR THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG was introduced by Councilman Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Tersigni, Piazza, Fey

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

R: 2013-111

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PARTICIPATING ADDENDUM FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF WIRELESS SERVICES AND WIRELESS DEVICES WITH SPRINT SPECTRUM, L.P. was introduced by Councilman Lynn who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tersigni.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Tersigni, Piazza, Fey

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

R: 2013-112

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING HANDICAP PARKING SPACES WITHIN THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG was introduced by Councilman Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.

Councilman Tersigni asked that the Resolution be amended to add Floyd Wismer of 69 Sitgreaves street to the list.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Tersigni, Piazza, Fey

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

R: 2013-113

A RESOLUTION IMPOSING LIEN FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES was introduced by Councilman Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Tersigni, Piazza, Fey

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

R: 2013-114

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING ADDITIONAL CHANGE ORDER FOR THE LOPATCONG CREEK BANK RESTORATION was introduced by Councilman Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

Mayor Wyant stated that they had to dig back the bank further than anticipated, he was in the hole and fees it is definitely warranted.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Tersigni, Piazza, Fey

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

PUBLIC PETITIONS

Mr. Cartabona 1119 Fifth Ave., Alpha NJ, asked if the Town Council would be interested in attending the Warren County Municipalities, There was a meeting and Phillipsburg wasn't there. Phillipsburg had no knowledge of this meeting. They are doing a reformation of this and we meet every two months with Freeholder Smith.

OPENTIME

Councilman Tersigni I was sworn into the Land Preservation Pollution Control by Director Jay Sarnoski, they are doing work on the Rutherford Hall, Still Valley Tunnel and I will serve on that council.

Councilman Piazza the fundraiser for the Phillipsburg Performing Arts went well and was a lot of fun last week. Hope to see more of these events.

Councilman Fey as for sports we met regarding the youth center scheduling with the basketball representatives. We have a follow up meeting scheduled to prepare for basketball season, hopefully to use the youth center on evenings opposed to the schools.

Councilman Lynn Thank you to Councilman Piazza and Gloria Decker for the donation of the projector which we can use with a lap top-at meetings an led projector – Thank you.

MOTIONS NONE

EXECUTIVE MEETING

R: 2013-115

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXECUTIVE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING CONTRACTUAL MATTERS OF COMMERCE PARK – NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN was introduced by Councilman Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Tersigni, Piazza, Fey

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Tersigni moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.