

TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG
Town Council Meeting Minutes
August 04, 2015

The Phillipsburg Town Council conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at 7:00 PM in Shappell Park located on South Main St., Phillipsburg.

The required Open Public Meeting Act Statement was read by Council Vice President Tersigni.

INVOCATION

by Council Vice President Tersigni

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

by the Assembly

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Councilmembers: Fey, Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

President: Lynn

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Mayor Wyant, Attorney Wenner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following meeting minutes were submitted for approval:

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Motion

Councilman Tersigni moved for approval of minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey, which carried by a 5-0 vote.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

The following bills were submitted for payment approval:

SUMMARY

CURRENT FUND	\$ 65,473.61
STATE & FEDERAL GRANTS	325,177.41
CAPITAL FUND	114,375.25
SEWAGE UTILITY FUND	7,827.69
SEWAGE CAPITAL FUND	30,932.00
PLANNING BOARD TRUST FUND	2,607.50
OPUS INVESTMENTS	1,371.12
SECTION 8	632.45
COMMERCE PARK REDEVELOPMENT	4,610.07
AGENCY FUND	1,020.44
Total Regular Bills List as August 4, 2015	554,027.54
PRE-PAID BILL LIST AS OF August 4, 2015	
CURRENT FUND	28,310.44
STATE & FEDERAL GRANTS	16,146.00
TOTAL PRE PAID BILL LIST	44,456.44
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	598,483.98

Motion

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

Discussion

None

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wyant thanked everyone present at National Night Out; Georgejean Trinkle and NORWESCAP as well as the Police Department. He stated there is progress in developing the former Ingersol-Rand property with Opus Investments. He added that there was a recent meeting with Lopatcong Township and they are on board as well. Mayor Wyant introduced Georgejean Trinkle to those assembled. She thanked Mayor Wyant for being part of National Night Out; which brings community and Police together. Ms. Trinkle added that having the Town Council meeting as part of the night's events was evidence of transparency in government and she thanked Mayor Wyant for his support.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Faulborn thanked Mayor Wyant for all he's done over the years as the Mayor of Town of Phillipsburg and the support shown to the Police Department in particular. He referred to the support in action from Community Policing to the Teen Drive Campaign. He spoke of the Mayor being instrumental in obtaining grants from the Department of Justice as well as the Police Chaplin's class.

Chief Faulborn and Georgejean Trinkle presented Mayor Wyant with a crystal gavel for all of his support in their efforts to have an ongoing positive relationship with the community.

Mayor Wyant thanked both Chief Faulborn and Georgejean Trinkle. He stated that Phillipsburg has a fine Police department and he appreciates all the work done by the Police Department. He added that it starts at the top and he recognized Chief Faulborn as a leader and he appreciates the officers and men.

Chief Faulborn introduced two new officers. Stephen Fielding who is a Town resident from Bates St., he has a Master's Degree and is coming to us from the Air Force. Marvin Wideman also a Town resident who has a Bachelor's Degree from Centenary College.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

ORDINANCE

NONE

RESOLUTIONS

R: 2015-120

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX OVER PAYMENT was
introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption.
The motion was seconded by Councilman Tersigni.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Fey, Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

R: 2015- 121

A RESOLUTION APPROVING 2015-2016 LIQUOR LICENSES
WITHIN TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG was introduced by Councilman
Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by
Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Fey, Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

R: 2015-122

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR RENEWAL OF ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE was introduced by Councilman Fey who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Fey, Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

R: 2015-123

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

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Fey, Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

R: 2015-124

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN LOANS RELATIVE TO THE SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ECONOMIC REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM FOR PURPOSES OF AUDITOR COMPLIANCE was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tersigni.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Fey, Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

R: 2015-125

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG,
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR THE SEWER
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING was introduced by
Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Fey, Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

R: 2015-126

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF SPECIAL
ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF ANY COUNTY OR
MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87
(CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) Firefighters Grant was introduced by
Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded
by Councilman Tersigni.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Fey, Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

R: 2015-127

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG COUNTY OF
WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY CANCELLING GRANTS
COMPLETED AND INACTIVE PROJECTS was introduced by
Councilman Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was
seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Fey, Piazza, Stettner, Tersigni

NAYS: None

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC PETITIONS

(Public Comments)-None

OPEN TIME

Council President Lynn thanked all those who came to celebrate the community event, National Night Out. He continued by thanking our police officers and encouraging the public to talk with them when they are working in the community.

Councilman Tersigni thanked all those in attendance and noted what a positive event for the community, to be together and understand how the police work as well as the Town Council governing body. He added that the Mayor's award was well deserved and offered congratulations.

Councilman Stettner thanked all those who came to Shapell Park to celebrate National Night Out, adding what a great turn-out.

Councilman Fey thanked all for coming out to participate in National Night Out; which is an opportunity for the community to support our Police department as they support the community. He continued by congratulating our two new officers and thanking Mayor Wyant for his time and commitment to better our community. He stated that the Mayor's job requires him to be away from family and because of his commitment and that of the governing body, we will begin to see the Ingersol tract provide a prosperous future. Thanks to the Mayor.

Councilman Piazza thanked all who attended National Night Out and praised the Police Department. He continued by adding that he along with Joe Little and Ed Bullock had walked downtown targeting areas with debris and cleaning up. He added the area looks much better and they will continue to do this once a week. He thanked Stan Shrek, Town Engineer and Mayor Wyant for their efforts in obtaining a Grant in the amount of \$50,000 from the NJ Transportation Authority for improvements to the Morris Canal.

15. **MOTIONS**

Councilman Tersigni moved for approval of Raffle License No. RL: 1218 issued to St. Lukes Episcopal Church for a Basket Raffle to be conducted September 12, 2015 FEE: \$20.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner, which carried by a 5-0 vote.

EXECUTIVE MEETING

None

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Stettner moved for adjournment at 7:18 PM.

APPROVED:

SUBMITTED BY:

JOHN LYNN, Council President

VICTORIA L. KLEINER, Municipal Clerk