

TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG
Council Meeting Minutes
SHAPPELL PARK
August 05, 2014

The Phillipsburg Town Council conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, August 05, 2014 at 7:00 pm in Shappell Park, Phillipsburg, NJ

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

INVOCATION by Councilman Lynn

PLEDGE by the Assembly

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Council President Tersigni
Council Members: Fey, Lynn, Piazza, Stettner

TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT: Mayor Wyant, Acting Clerk Kleiner,
Attorney Wenner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Approval of meeting minutes
Were submitted for approval:

Regular Meeting-07-19-14

Discussion: none

Motion

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

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

NAYS: None

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

SUMMARY

CURRENT FUND	\$	837,816.03
STATE & FEDERAL GRANTS		5,602.38
CAPITAL FUND		152,325.31
SEWAGE UTILITY FUND		195,985.88
PLANNING BOARD TRUST FUND		12,388.20
SECTION 8		198.09
COMMERCE PARK REDEVELOPMENT		1,980.00
Total regular bills list July 01, 2014		\$404,492.60

Section 8 Rent Payments	\$	0
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PRE- PAID BILL LIST AS OF July 01, 2014

CURRENT FUND	\$	5,157.00
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TOTAL PRE PAID BILL LIST	\$ 5,157.00
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	\$ 1,235,966.77

Discussion: None

Motion

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

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

NAYS: None

OLD BUSINESS none

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Wyant addresses the residents at the park, it is a pleasure that we are here and the rain stopped for National Night Out. We did this last year and it was a huge success and the people wanted us back. We wish that you all would come to the meetings.

I would like Council to consider that since we had bid the Fire House at 292 Chamber Street two times and received low bids. I think that the NJ Youth Corps can use the building for training. I would like to ask the Council to pass a resolution to lease the NJ Youth Corps the building for \$1.00 a year.

Council President Tersigni asked for a motion

Councilman John Lynn made a motion for the NJYC to lease the building at 292 Chambers Street. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.

Discussion: R 2014-146; Mayor Wyant stated that the Youth Corp will pick up all the utility expenses – and fix the building.
Council President Tersigni stated it is a great idea.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Lynn, Piazza, Tersigni, Stettner
NAYS: None

Mayor Wyant thanked NORWESCAP and the Police Department for working together to make this such a great event.

Thank you.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS

Bill Timmin, 230 South Main Street, I don't know what the liens are for that are listed.

Council President Tersigni stated grass and debris

NEW BUSINESS None

ORDINANCES

O: 2014-18

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 235, CONSTRUCTION CODES, UNIFORM, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR REVISED FEE SCHEDULE FOR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEES AND TO ADD A NEW SECTION GOVERNING FEES FOR RETAINING WALL was introduced for a first reading by Councilman Lynn who moved that the ordinance be properly advertised. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner for discussion.

Discussion: Council President Tersigni thinks it is good doing this with the IR it is more business friendly.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Lynn, Piazza, Tersigni, Stettner
NAYS: None

RESOLUTIONS

R: 2014-136

Supporting the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2014 Statewide Crackdown was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Lynn, Piazza, Tersigni, Stettner
NAYS: None

R: 2014-137

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

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

NAYS: None

R: 2014-138

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

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

NAYS: None

R: 2014-139

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH FORD MOTOR was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.

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

NAYS: None

R: 2014-140

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CLOSING OF STREETS was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.

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

NAYS: None

R: 2014-141

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AWARDED CONTRACT TO Z BROTHERS CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION CO. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$619,406.34 was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

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

NAYS: None

R: 2014-142

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF A 2014 FORD INTECEPTOR UTILITY VEHICLE was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

Discussion: Councilman Lynn questioned for whom? Attorney Wenner stated Police Vehicle.

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

NAYS: None

R: 2014-143

A RESOLUTION APPROVING 2014-2015 LIQUOR LICENSES WITHIN TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.

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

NAYS: None

R: 2014 - 144

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REGARDING STEELE HILL YOUTH ORGANIZATION AND FIRTH TOWN YOUTH ORGANIZATION was introduced by Councilman Stettner who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.

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

NAYS: None

R: 2014-145

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO N.J.S. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948)2014 DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER STATEWIDE LABOR DAY CRACKDOWN was introduced by Councilman Lynn who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

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

NAYS: None

PUBLIC PETITIONS

Mr. Joe Meyner, South Main Street. ** Please see attached sheet that Mr. Meyner read at the meeting. Thank you.

Mr. Bill Timmin, 230 South Main Street, Follow up – Riverview project is not subject to the liens it is a Forrest harboring animals and everything.

Council President Tersigni said it is unapproved land and once it is approved it will be.

Attorney Wenner stated when DEP completes then they can, but no changes can be done until the study is complete
Thank you

Blaine Fehley 237 Bowhay Avenue, Question how many violations? Mr. Lynn televising the council meetings? Councilmen Lynn stated it is a work in progress I have been recording them if you want a copy let me know
Mr. Fehley asked if Stacy Horne – HS teacher is on the Access Committee
Councilmen Lynn stated that a co-worker helping in place of Stacy Horn, but I would have to look up the name
Mr. Fehley said it has been three years and Council President Tersigni asked you to get it done in February and now it's August
Councilman Lynn thanks Blaine

Sandra Morrisette, 5 Fairview Heights, it said in the paper that there will be no impact on the School District and that the school District is finally stable.

Council President Tersigni stated that the Superintendent of the School said no impact on the school, and that they could handle it. Mr. Chando stated.

Councilman Lynn stated that we don't know the exact amount of students 200,70 there is no way to know. In discussions with the school board members they feel they can handle it without an impact on the school tax.

Ms. Morrisette stated that Mr. Perrucci is not paying taxes for 10 year period are the home owners going to be paying

Attorney Wenner stated not paying taxes – PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) no school tax, the town can give to the school board, not true developing for free - \$800,000.00 to 1.2 Million for a 30 years progress

Ms. Morrisette questioned the home owners themselves pay taxes

Attorney Wenner stated No, they are part of the PILOT program

Ms. Morrisette How much over 10 years

Attorney Wenner stated annual amount in year 27 – 28 is \$800,000 to 1.2 Million annual revenue.

Ms. Morrisette how much majority of school

Attorney Wenner stated 95% Town, 5 % County, 0 to school

Ms. Morrisette but number of students

Attorney Wenner stated it is done in phases – realistic amount we will make decisions as they are being built

Ms. Morrisette Mr. Perrucci is a wealthy man and has other developments in Lehigh Valley he takes risks with his money and he is being flagged for 10 years with no taxes

Thank you Ms. Morrisette

OPENTIME

Councilman Piazza would like to commend the Police Department and NORWESCAP with the involvement in the community and working together on this event

Councilman Fey mentioned that the Town Engineer isn't here today but the Washington Street job went through his hard work cost the town just about nothing, with the grants. Thanks Stan for your hard work.

Council President Tersigni thanks to everyone, the Police and NORWESCAP, Ms. Trinkle, for this event and all the work you put into this event, can't wait till next year

MOTIONS

Approval for Raffle License No. RL: 1193 issued to Grace Lutheran for a on premise Merchandise Raffle on September 13, 2014 from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM Councilman Piazza moved to adopt the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

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

NAYS: None

Approval for Raffle License No. RL: 1194 issued to the St. Lukes Episcopal Church for a on premise Tricky Tray on September 27, 2014 from 5:00 PM-9:30PM Councilman Stettner moved to adopt the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.

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

NAYS: None

Approval for Raffle License No. RL: 1195 issued to the St. Lukes Episcopal Church for a on premise 50/50 raffle on September 27, 2014 from 5:00 PM-9:30PM Councilman Piazza moved to adopt the motion. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.

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

NAYS: None

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

NAYS: None