

TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG  
Council Meeting Minutes  
October 07, 2014

The Phillipsburg Town Council conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 07, 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 Lynn.

INVOCATION by Councilman Lynn

PLEDGE by the Assembly

ROLL CALL

<u>PRESENT:</u>	Council President	Tersigni
	Council Members	Lynn, Stettner, Piazza
	Absent	Fey

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

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

**Regular Meeting-09-16-14**

Discussion: none

Motion

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

VOTE: YEAS: Tersigni, Lynn, Stettner, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

SUMMARY

CURRENT FUND	\$ 105,161.80
STATE & FEDERAL GRANTS	3,709.46
CAPITAL FUND	31,422.70
SEWAGE UTILITY FUND	65,091.15
SEWAGE CAPITAL FUND	17,790.75
SECTION 8	514.09
COMMERCE PARK REDEVELOPMENT	480.00
REVOLVING LOAN FUND	105.00
<b>Total regular bills list October 07, 2014</b>	<b>\$224,274.95</b>
SECTION 8 Program Rent Payments	0
PRE- PAID BILL LIST AS OF October 07, 2014	
STATE & FEDERAL GRANTS	\$37,403.00



Louis Deluca spoke about the changes to the park. We did fencing on the South End, put up signs, on Howard St and under the trestle. I feel uncomfortable taking all the credit Georgine from NORWESCAP helped with the community policing; I want to thank the Chief for trusting me.

Council President asked the Mayor and Council give a hand to all those who helped.

Louis Deluca stated that he was out there and noticed that the pooper scoopers had been getting used.

Mayor Wyant stated Great Job Lou Deluca.

John Franceschino, we have had 14 referrals from County Probation, with the Station House Adjustment program. They have done, clean ups, pressure washing, weeding, planting, made pottery bowls for the food bank, worked in the reading room. If you think of any other jobs that need to get done let me know we are always looking for something for them to do.

The Fall Festival is Saturday October 25, 2014 from 2 – 6 PM. I want to thank the Mayor for doing the hay rides again this year. We received a donation from Atlantic States. We will be doing kid prints from 2-4 only. The mini train rides, house decorating contest.

Chief Faulborn – we received a school resource grant that we applied for back in June, we are one out of 10 that was able to hire a new officer that will be working in the schools K – 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

Georgine Trinkle spoke about the school resource officer and because we applied the two year station house project and have had good success and working with more school age children along with the reading in school system approved with the BOE, having more interaction with the police. We had a situation this week with a Domestic abuse case where the woman confided in the officer. After three years we were able to show a deep mutual trust. The community policing and becoming competitive, we have a vision of lower crimes, the announcement of the grant was October 01, 2014 NJ office of the Attorney General Mental Health and Addiction. The bureau of Justice System Crime, we received a \$100,000 Grant, we have visions of taking things to the next level. This wouldn't happen without the Chief's leadership or John's. Council understand the broad scope of things, actions, steps and plans in November.

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Mayor Wyant stated Congrats – she has been teasing me all week. She is a hard diligent worker and getting all these grants done. We are happy to have you working towards and for us, even though you don't work for us. You are a great asset to our community. Thank you for all you do.

Georgine Trinkle – we achieve a different success working together.

Mayor Wyant Thanked Georgine Trinkle

ENGINEERS REPORT The Heritage Trail Plan – October 25<sup>th</sup> Saturday summit to brief the people on the Trail. At the Auditorium at St. Lukes Warren Hospital 9 – 11.

Washington Street the Sidewalks should be done in October, the Contractor is moving along well. ADA ramps are challenging, we are working with AQUA, the Washington Street Grant, DOT grant phase 6 is 1.8 million in work, but we had 1.4 million in grants.

Thanks Stan

Mayor Wyant spoke about the upcoming Fireman's Parade Saturday at noon, come out and enjoy the parade it will start at Broad Street and end at McKeen. The Halloween Parade is on the 26<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM that will start at McKeen Street and end up Center Square Easton. It will be nice day on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> hope to see you all there

#### PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Meyner, South Main Street, said I hope you can unlock the toilets. I see the Ordinance on the Smoking; I thought that you were deciding on a designated area and not restrict it totally.

NEW BUSINESS None

ORDINANCES

O: 2014-20 (Second and Final Reading)

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE TOWN SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT, BY THE SEWER UTILITY OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$2,077,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,077,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF was introduced for a second reading by Councilman Stettner and there being no errors corrections or objections, Councilman Stettner moved that the ordinance be adopted according to law. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Piazza, Tersigni, Stettner

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey

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O: 2014-21 (Second and Final Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING SECTION 422-11, USE OR POSSESSION OF LIQUOR, USE OF TOBACCO, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG TO PROHIBIT THE SMOKING OF TOBACCO IN ALL PARKS AND AT ALL RECREATION OR ATHLETIC FACILITIES OWNED OR LEASED BY THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG was introduced for a second reading by Councilman Lynn and there being no errors corrections or objections, Councilman Lynn moved that the ordinance be adopted according to law. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Piazza, Stettner

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey

ABSTAIN: Tersigni

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13. RESOLUTIONS

R: 2014-172

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, FINDING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY FOR PURPOSES OF N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 AND N.J.A.C. 5:34-6.1 was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Lynn.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Piazza, Tersigni, Stettner

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey

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R: 2014-173

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

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Piazza, Tersigni, Stettner

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey

R: 2014-174

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF FOURTH QUARTER 2014 COUNTY TAX, DUE NOVEMBER 15, 2014 was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Piazza, Tersigni, Stettner

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey

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R: 2014-175

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND FOR BELVIDERE ROAD LLC AND ACCEPTANCE OF FROST AVENUE** was introduced by Councilman Piazza who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Stettner.

Discussion: Councilman Lynn questioned signage – Parking- that we may want to look into, I had many complaints from people with the Church – Stan can you look at no parking on the South Side of the Roadway.

Stan Schrek remembers that the driveways were cut that way. Councilman Lynn stated there is plenty of parking in the lot and it is well lite and has sidewalks.

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Piazza, Tersigni, Stettner

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey



PUBLIC PETITIONS

(Public Comments)

Joe Meyner, South Main Street, I am going to ask again to undo the PILOT.

Mr. Keyser, South Main Street, thanks for the Non Smoking Ordinance. The Almost new Sitgreaves Street is dug already.

Mayor Wyant stated that it is the water company's responsibility to mill to the area where we ended and put an entire new surface, mill up a portion of McKeen Street and will be repaved.

Stan Schrek, Town Engineer, said they have to coordinate with Aqua, two years valve farther back.

Mr. Keyser the sidewalks dug up two years, spring of next year.

Mayor Wyant stated he plans to get it done sooner, but the streets were bad with this past winter. We will have to do an addendum the Capital Ordinance next meeting so we can do it early spring.

Mr. Keyser if addendum doesn't go through – talk is cheep

Mayor Wyant stated that Aqua was supposed to repair so it is not hazardous.

OPEN TIME

Council President Tersigni stated he was asked to participate in teacher of the day October 15 at the Middle School this year, he is looking forward to it and it was a really enjoyable event.

MOTIONS none

EXECUTIVE MEETING

R: 2014 - 176

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXECUTIVE MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING Ingersoll Rand property no action to be taken

ADJOURNMENT

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

VOTE: YEAS: Lynn, Stettner, Piazza, Tersigni

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Fey