

TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG  
Council Meeting Minutes  
June 02, 2015

The Phillipsburg Town Council conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, June 02, 2015 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 Council Vice President Tersigni.

**INVOCATION**

by Council Vice President Tersigni

**PLEDGE**

by the Assembly

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:**

Council President	Lynn
Council Members	Fey, Lynn, Piazza
Absent	Stettner

**TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Mayor Wyant, Clerk Kleiner,  
Attorney Wenner

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of meeting minutes  
Were submitted for approval:

Council Mtg. 05-19-15

Motion

Councilman Tersigni moved for approval of the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.

VOTE: YEAS: Tersigni, Lynn, Piazza, Fey

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

SUMMARY

CURRENT FUND	\$	950,004.32
STATE & FEDERAL GRANTS		987.80
CAPITAL FUND		25,168.56
SEWAGE UTILITY FUND		5,052.66
SEWAGE CAPITAL FUND		20,648.00
SECTION 8		114.45
<b>Total regular bills list June 02, 2015</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,001,975.79</b>
PRE- PAID BILL LIST AS OF June 02, 2015		
CURRENT FUND	\$	150.00
AGENCY FUND	\$	1,388.34
<b>TOTAL PRE PAID BILL LIST</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,538.34</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,003,514.13</b>

Discussion: None

### Motion

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Council Vice President Tersigni received a call from the Mayor over the weekend, and 80 landlords have been summoned – the war on garbage is still going on. There was garbage on South Main Street I called the Mayor he came right down and we knocked on doors until we found the people responsible for the garbage pile. They were notified that they needed to remove the garbage and if it wasn't gone in 24 hours they would be summons. Thank you Mayor Wyant for coming down and making Phillipsburg a cleaner brighter place to live.

### **MAYORS REPORT**

Mayor Wyant spoke about the new and improved website, it looks excellent, go on its attractive and well done, there is a lot of new new content. Every Council person has an email address the residents may email you and they expect you to look at it and give them an answer, the worst thing is ignoring email. You can put the email right onto the I phone, I encourage you all to take a look at the site. If you see something missing, or wrong let us know. People who are using it are enjoying it.

Council President Lynn stated he has been on and it is well done

Council Vice President Tersigni mentioned links

Councilman Piazza mentioned he liked it

Council Vice President Tersigni encouraged Council to look at it.

**CHIEFS REPORT** NONE

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Bill Timmann, 234 South Main Street, questioned resolution 2015-92 what this was entailing

Attorney Wenner stated that it is the Fasco Property that they Town acquired in REM foreclosure. Since the Town acquired the title they are not liable for contamination, DEP is asking to verify facts, and they sent a questioner that can only be done by a licensed professional.

Bill Timmann if it had anything to do with the drain under Howard Street  
Attorney Wenner said just questioner no drains.

Attorney Wenner stated that Ordinance 2015-10A was going to have a second and final reading tonight but the planner suggested an additional change, so that any redeveloper will need to prepare and submit phases of the development prior to submitting to the planning board. This should have been in the original plan, since this is a significant change and a second amendment to the ordinance, it will be re-advertised and we will have a first reading on the 16<sup>th</sup> and a second and final reading on July 7<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Fey questioned if we are violating any laws  
Attorney Wenner stated no as long as we re-advertise again.

**ORDINANCES**

O: 2015-10A (Second Reading) *MOTION TO AMEND*

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE REVISED PHILLIPSBURG COMMERCE PARK REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE FORMER INGERSOLL RAND PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS BLOCK 3201, LOTS 7.01, 7.02, 7.03, 7.04, 7.05, 7.06, 7.07, 7.08, 7.09, 7.10, 7.11, 7.12 AND 7.13, BLOCK 3301, LOTS 1, 2, 4, 4.01, 5 AND 6

Council Vice President made a motion to amend the Ordinance and re-advertise it. The motion was seconded by Councilman Piazza.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmen	First	Second	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fey			x			
Piazza		x	x			
Stettner						x
Tersigni	x		x			
Lynn			x			

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O: 2015 -14 (Second Reading)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 117, *REDEVELOPMENT*, ARTICLE I, *PLANS AND PROJECTS*, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG 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.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmen	First	Second	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fey			x			
Piazza	x		x			
Stettner						x
Tersigni		x	x			
Lynn			x			

O: 2015-15 (First Reading)

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING SALARIES was introduced for a first reading by Councilman Fey who moved that the ordinance be properly advertised. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tersigni for discussion.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmen	First	Second	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Fey	x		x			
Piazza			x			
Stettner						x
Tersigni		x		x		
Lynn				x		

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**RESOLUTIONS**

R: 2015 - 92

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH RT ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. was introduced by Councilman Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

R: 2015-93

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF TWO 2016 FORD INTECEPTOR UTILITY VEHICLE was introduced by Councilman Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

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R: 2015- 94

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS AT OLE TOWN FESTIVAL was introduced by Councilman Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

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R: 2015-95

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CLOSING OF STREETS AND A MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT was introduced by Councilman Fey who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tersigni.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

R: 2015-96

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 Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

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R: 2015 - 97

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH VAN CLEEF ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO SOUTH MAIN STREET PHASE 7 was introduced by Councilman Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

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R: 2015-98

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING CHANGE ORDER FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADES-ELECTRICAL MODIFICATIONS was introduced by Councilman Tersigni who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.



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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner

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**NEW BUSINESS** NONE

**PUBLIC PETITIONS**

Justin McQue, 117 Filmore Street, can we get copies of the papers before the meeting, I want to become more involved in politics

Council President Lynn stated that the agendas are available prior to the meeting, stop in and as the Clerk, if you have any questions.

**OPEN TIME**

Council Vice President Tersigni stated he was sworn in the second term to the Municipal Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee, Department of Land Use Preservation, as Vice Chair, by Freehold Jason Sarnowski and Ed Smith.

Councilman Piazza funded the Roseberry House through this program. They have a budget of one million dollars and have increased to three million at times. Lori Chisla from Lopat is new to the Committee.

Council President Lynn thanked Council Vice President Tersigni for his representation of Phillipsburg.

**MOTIONS** NONE

**EXECUTIVE MEETING** None

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Lynn, Tersigni, Piazza

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Stettner