

**BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY-DECEMBER 16, 2014**

Mayor Robert Fazen called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.
A reading of the Open Public Meetings Law Statement followed
by the Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Prayer.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Robert Fazen	present
Councilman John Paul Levin	present
Councilman Daniel Wright	present
Councilman Vinnie Petti	present
Councilwoman Lisa Bogart	present
Councilwoman Beverly Pranzatelli	present
Councilman Peter Lazzaro	present

Also Present:

Donna Marie Godleski, Borough Clerk
Borough Attorney-Judy Verrone, Esq. DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick,
Cole, LLP,
Police Chief Michael Jannone –Police Department

Approval of Minutes: November 25, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes
November 25, 2014 Executive Session Minutes-For Content Only
Motion: C. Levin Second: C. Wright All in favor: Aye
Abstain: C. Pranzatelli

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Fazon advised that the Battle of Bound Brook will be held on
April 11, 2015. He would like to be involved with the preparation with
committee members from South Bound Brook. He asked for two
councilpersons to volunteer for the committee.

Mayor Fazen advised he met with Pfhizer regarding remediation cleanup of
Cyanamid Property. They bought with intent of cleaning up and leasing to
a developer but this will take decades. The reason Bound Brook is involved
is that 11 acres of the property is the borough's.

Mayor Fazen advised that the Raritan Valley One Seat Ride begins on
January 11th. For those that go into the city the line will run directly into
New York City at 8-9-10 and 11 p.m.

Presentation of communications, petitions, etc. –None

Greetings for comments and invitation for discussion

Paul Lasko-410 Church Street

Mr. Lasko was present to ask permission to film a video for a theme song for the late late show Craig Ferguson which is going off the air. Mr. Lasko is a musician and a film maker. He stated he will be using areas of the downtown this week in the evening between 6:30-10 p.m. He will have a small crew and will not obstruct anyone. He spoke with Chief Jannone earlier to advise the police department of his activity downtown. Mayor Fazen wished him good luck and noted that he would have to get approval if he wants to go on any private property. Mr. Lasko noted that the film will be on UTube and this is his own personal project.

Committee reports

Finance: C. Peter Lazzaro

C. Lazzaro advised that the finance committee has not been able to meet yet. We will begin working soon on the 2015 budget.

Public Works, Bldgs., Grounds & Utilities-C. Daniel Wright

C. Wright distributed the November report. He noted a lot of work has been going to tree trimming and the collection of brush. He noted that the Public Works Director Mr. Orofino was present. The department will be cleaning catch basins as soon as leaves are done. The department will be closed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Next week's collection will be Monday, Tuesday and Friday.

Public Safety (Police & Fire)- C. Vinnie Petti

C. Petti read the monthly activity report for police and fire into the record of minutes.

Personnel, Administration & Ordinances- C. Lisa Bogart

No report.

Economic Development- C. Beverly Pranzatelli

C. Pranzatelli advised that the committee is working on a "Welcome Packet" for new residents. This will be ready for the next meeting.

It will also be placed up on the website and hard copies will be available at borough hall.

Zoning, Construction & Code Enforcement- C. John Paul Levin

No written report with back to back council meetings this month.

The construction official has been very busy and the department stats are up.

Introduction of ordinances - None

Ordinance on Final Reading and Consideration: - None

Resolutions for final reading and final consideration: None

R2014: 173

A proclamation for John-Paul Levin for his service as councilman

Mayor Fazen read the proclamation into the record of minutes.

He thanked C. Levin for all his service and noted that he always expressed himself very well.

C. Levin stated he appreciated the comments and stated he has enjoyed working with the present council and three mayors during his term.

He wished the incoming councilman good luck.

He recognized Donna Marie Godleski, Borough Clerk for all her work during his three years on council.

C. Lisa Bogart stated that she appreciated his service to Bound Brook and working well with the full council. She will look forward to seeing C. Levin on boards and commissions.

C. Petti thanked C. Levin for all his work and their early morning and late night chats and to keep up the good work you do.

R2014: 174

A proclamation for Daniel Wright for his service as councilman

Mayor Fazen read the proclamation into the record of minutes.

Mayor Fazen thanked C. Wright for contributing greatly his wisdom and calm demeanor which has helped a lot with council.

C. Wright stated that it has been a valuable learning experience. He appreciated the honor and privilege to serve the people who are number one.

He has enjoyed getting to know council and it has broadened his horizons.

He enjoyed working with C. Petti on committee, Chief Jannone and Fire Chiefs.

C. Bogart thanked C. Wright for all his financial help and looking at issues differently. The governing body will miss you.

C. Lazzaro thanked C. Wright for bringing his knowledge of finance to the committee. C. Beverly Pranzatelli stated it was a pleasure working with C. Wright on the finance committee and you have always done your homework.

C. Petti stated that C. Wright brought a different view which he really liked and he will be missed.

R2014:175

Approve Change Order No. 3-Black Rock Enterprises, LLC-2013 Road Reconstruction Program

Motion: C. Bogart Second: C. Pranzatelli All in favor: Aye

Unfinished Business

Mayor reported on the Sale Memorandum of the Chief Financial Officer-Bond Anticipation Notes

Memorandum submitted to Mayor and Borough Council to meet the reporting requirements of the Local Bond Law and to be entered on the minutes of such meeting.

New Business

C. Levin – He offered a recommendation to the town to make sure residents are notified in a timely manner regarding delinquencies. The final notice should be sent registered mail. He noted that some properties should not have gone to tax sale. It is now costly for that resident to buy the lien back.

For Approval:

2015 Towing Licenses

- E&N Towing- Bridgewater, NJ
- Rich's Offroad Towing LLC-Manville, NJ
- Somerset Hills Towing-Bridgewater, NJ
- Spartan Towing-Piscataway, NJ
- Value Towing Corp.- Raritan, NJ

Motion: C. Levin Second: C. Bogart

Discussion: C. Levin asked about not renewing one towing company if they do not comply with parking their vehicle in Bound Brook. He noted that the company is Somerset Hills Towing. Chief Jannone noted that his vehicle

skirts compliance and the driver is failing to comply. This driver lives in Bound Brook and brings the vehicle home.

C. Levin recommended writing a letter to the company.

Attorney Judy Verrone advised that you cannot deny the company's right to tow.

You have a driver for the company that is not staying in compliance with the borough's zoning/code enforcement code.

All in favor: Aye

For Approval: Special Event Permit Application- None

Approval of Vouchers

R2014: 176

Motion: C. Wright Second: C. Petti All in favor: Aye

Open meeting to the public for comments

Abel Gomez- 516 West Second Street –

He asked about Somerset Hills Towing. Chief Jannone gave a summary. A suggestion from C. Wright to look at updating the ordinance.

Mr. Gomez noted the Code Enforcement Officer has to see the parking of the towing vehicle just once in his driveway, then a violation can be sent.

C. Levin recommended the Mayor write a letter to the company about the driver. He noted that our code enforcement officer does not work during those hours that the driver takes his vehicle home and parks it in his driveway.

C. Levin brought up communications to the residents. We have been talking about a newsletter since June up to present and felt it was in the best interest of the town to start one. The newsletter should be funded by private sponsors and to also find a distribution source. He asked that future council work on this.

Abel Gomez, newly elected council stated that he has begun to work on a newsletter.

Mayor Fazen stated that he is also working on this and will get together with Mr. Gomez.

Philip Fiadino - 517 Helfin Street

Mr. Fiadino, newly elected council stated that a newsletter is an excellent idea. There are a lot of elderly that would appreciate receiving a newsletter. He stated that he would like to work on this as well. Mayor Fazen advised that a committee will be put together in the New Year. We will reach out to the businesses and he was sure they will be happy to donate.

Regular meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Motion: C. Petti Second: C. Bogart All in favor: Aye

Respectfully submitted by,

Donna Marie Godleski, Borough Clerk