

**BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - OCTOBER 22, 7:30 PM**

Mayor Pilato called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with a reading of the Open Public Meetings Law Statement, Opening Prayer read by the Borough Clerk followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pilato asked for a moment of silence for former Fire Chief John Gabory who passed away.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Carey Pilato	present
Councilman Mark Hasting	absent-arrived at 8:30 p.m.
Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli	present
Councilman John Miller	present
Councilman John Paul Levin	present
Councilman Vinnie Petti	present
Councilwoman Lisa Bogart	present

Present:

Donna Marie Godleski, Borough Clerk  
Randy Bahr, Administrator  
Borough Attorney James G. O'Donohue, Esq. –Hill-Wallack  
Police Department: Lt. David Czarcinski

Approval of Minutes:

Agenda Meeting- October 8, 2013  
October 8, 2013 Executive Session for Content Only  
Motion moved by C. Levin; second by C. Miller; All in favor: Ayes

Mayor Pilato reviewed the items of business on the agenda for the public.

Presentation of communications, petitions, etc.

Presentation :Superintendent of Schools Dr. Edward Hoffman

Assistant Schools Superintendent - Daniel Gallagher Bound Brook School District-

Topic: Building projects in planning stage-Smalley/Lafayette Schools.

Dr. Hoffman reported that discussions began fifteen months ago regarding options with auditor, bond counsel, architect and board members. Unfortunately, all is not moving quickly. We just received the funding numbers. We are here this evening to open the dialogues, provide background and answer any questions.

A plan is to build additions onto two schools without causing a sizable impact on property tax bills. The construct of six to eight classrooms at Smalley School and twelve classrooms at Lafayette School was based on a jump in enrollment. The overall

enrollment in the district has increased 14 percent. Dr. Gallagher stated that the enrollment hike may have been caused by more young adults renting homes in Bound Brook. Dr. Gallagher also stated the board decided not to pursue a lease renewal for the former St. Mary's School because the district would have to pay for improvements in a building it does not own.

Dr. Gallagher also reported that the state would pay 62 per cent of the \$28.6 million needed to construct additions and gymnasiums at both Lafayette and Smalley schools. That would leave a \$10 million shortfall to be funded by a bond. The district is about to retire two bonds that financed previous projects. The annual payments on those bonds equal the estimated annual payment on the new bond, so any additional tax burden would be negligible. Dr. Hoffman advised that this is going to be hard sell. He advised that the Board of Education will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday at LaMonte School to finalize details of the project, which could go before voters in January.

Councilman Anthony Pranzatelli was skeptical about the minimal financial impact.

Mayor Carey Pilato was skeptical that the jump in kindergarten enrollment would continue through the upper grades over the coming years.

Dr. Hoffman stated that he would return to the Borough Council on November 12 to present financial details.

Questions were addressed from the public and the governing body.

#### Greetings for comments and invitation for discussion

##### Michele DeFazio- 606 Church Street

Ms. DeFazio reminded the governing body about the Middle Earth basketball tournament this Saturday. The Courier News is also conducting a fundraiser "Make a Difference Day" where you can donate canned goods or offer a financial donation.

Councilman Pranzatelli and Councilman Levin will be playing the tournament.

##### Roseanne Short-169 Cherry Avenue

Ms. Short asked about the leaf pickup schedule. Mr. Bahr noted that it began last week. The schedule is posted at borough hall and also on the website.

Mayor Pilato noted that residents can call borough hall for the schedule.

##### Jody Miles - 285 Chestnut Street

Resident complained about neighbors on her street that are dumping leaves at the end part of Chestnut/Kensington Street.

Every year we have this problem. She called the DEP one year and residents began bagging their leaves.

Mayor Pilato advised he will inform the property maintenance officer. He also explained the process of notice of violation.

##### Andrew Rehm- Massachusetts resident

Mr. Rehm asked if the clinking grate has been fixed that is 15 feet into Main Street.

Mayor Pilato advised that there is a temporary fix for now and a permanent fix will be done.

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Hal Dietrich- 639 Central Avenue

Mr. Dietrich invited the governing body to a Mass on Sunday November 10, 2013 in observance of Veterans Day at 8:30 a.m. and there will also be a ceremony on November 11, 2013 at the intersection of Vosseller and Union Avenue.

Committee reports

Finance: C. Bogart

Councilwoman Bogart advised there was no other report as the municipal budget has been adopted.

Public Works, Bldgs., Grounds & Utilities-C. Petti –

Councilman Petti read the monthly activity for September into the record of minutes.

Public Safety (Police & Fire)- C. Hasting –

Councilman Hasting read the September Police activity report into the record of minutes. No fire report.

Mayor Pilato asked that Administrator Bahr prepare a memo to the fire marshall and the rescue squad for the lettering work to be done on their vehicles.

Personnel, Administration & Ordinances- C. Pranzatelli

Councilman Pranzatelli reported that Administrator Randy Bahr conducted several interviews for the Construction Official position.

The personnel committee recommended the hire of a construction official.

The resolution is on the agenda for approval.

Economic Development- C. Levin

Councilman Levin announced that the Raritan Valley Coalition is moving forward nicely. He highly recommended to the public present to tell everyone all about the huge benefit to all towns with a “one seat rail”. Later this week or early next week the Raritan Valley Coalition will have a website on this for the public to view. We will also post this information on the borough website.

The time for the Halloween Parade has been changed to begin at 6:30 p.m.

The original time was 7:30 p.m.

Zoning, Construction & Code Enforcement- C. Miller

Councilman Miller read the September activity report into the record of minutes.

Introduction of ordinances - First Reading

**BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK ORDINANCE NO. 2013: 13**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, CHAPTER 7, TRAFFIC, TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL RESTRICTED PARKING AT CERTAIN AREAS ON CERTAIN STREETS**

Motion: C. Pranzatelli          Second: C. Hasting          All in favor: Ayes  
Summary: Parking prohibited specifically the West Main Street Area behind Nerger's Auto, off Columbus Place.  
Roll Call: Unanimous  
Second reading scheduled for November 12 council meeting.

Ordinance on Final Reading and Consideration: - None

Resolutions for final reading and final consideration:

R2013: 184

Authorize the hire/appointment of James Ayotte as Construction Official/Building Sub-code official

Motion: C. Hasting    Second: C. Levin    All in favor: Ayes

Unfinished Business- None

New Business

Mr. Bahr provided an update on meeting with Pfizer. The EPA is to hold an information session for American Cyanamid Superfund Site Pilot Study on Impoundments 1 and 2 – October 24, 2013 from 6:30pm-8:30pm at the Bridgewater Township Municipal Building.

Mr. Bahr advised that a Request for approval was submitted by Alex Smith Garden Design, Ltd. for a phase one clean up and soil prep for Billian Legion Park . The Billian Foundation hired the garden design company for improvements to the park. The consensus of the council agreed to approve the proposal

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For Approval: Special Event Permit Application

Bound Brook Rescue Squad-Coin Toss

Location: Main Street & Hamilton Street-Vosseller Avenue North & South of Union-Union Avenue East & West; Mountain Avenue North & South of Union

Date: November 29-November 30, 2013

Time: 8:00 AM-1PM

Rain Date: December 7, 2013

Motion moved by C. Petti; second by C. Pranzatelli; All in favor: Aye

Mayor Pilato noted to Lt. Czarcinski to speak with the Rescue Squad to look at where the members stand on Mountain Avenue.

Approval of Vouchers

R2013: 185

Motion moved by C. Petti; second by C. Hasting

Mayor Pilato asked that the requisitions be held over for the Recreation Building.

He noted that the gate was removed and the site is open and unprotected.

This is still an active construction zone. If all is in order, we can schedule the agenda meeting for payment.

The approval of the vouchers will be less \$134,187.50 under Capital.

Motion to approve the amendment moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Miller

All in favor: Aye

Motion to approve the vouchers as amended moved by C. Hasting; second by C. Hasting; All in favor: Ayes

Open meeting to the public for comments

R. Short -169 Cherry Avenue

Ms. Short advised that she and Carol Holub attended an EPA meeting at Pfizer. The meeting was very interesting. She stated that she worked at American Cyanamid for thirteen years. The smells were terrible and also the ponding.

Mayor Pilato noted that once activity starts a lot at this site, persons will be looking from Highway 287. It is very helpful if we can advise the residents of what will be starting soon. Mr. Bahr noted that this will be at least a ten year cleanup.

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Authorize executive session for (Negotiations) @ 9:40 p.m.

Matters: 454 West Union Avenue; Update on Carriage Park; Recreation Building  
Contract Dispute

Motion: C. Pranzatelli            Second: C. Hasting    All in favor: Ayes

Adjournment @ 10 p.m.

Motion: C. Petti            Second: C. Hasting    All in favor: Ayes

Respectfully submitted by,

Donna Marie Godleski, Borough Clerk

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