

**BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 26, 2013**

Mayor Pilato called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with a reading of the Open Public Meetings Law Statement,

Mayor Pilato asked for a moment of silence for Joseph Donnelly. He was a Bound Brook Resident for 54 years. He began his career at Bound Brook High School beginning as an industrial arts teacher. He served as Director of the Bound Brook Adult School and served as Vice-Principal and Principal for 20 years. He served fifty years in the Bound Brook- Middlesex Rotary Club and served as president.

He received a distinguished service award for outstanding contributions to the community.

Opening Prayer read by the Borough Clerk followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Carey Pilato	present
Councilman Mark Hasting	present
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-absent

Borough Attorney James G. O'Donohue, Esq. –Hill-Wallack

Police Department: Police Chief Michael Jannone

Approval of Minutes:

November 12, 2013 Agenda Meeting

Executive Session for Content Only

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

Presentation of communications, petitions, etc. –

Mayor Pilato announced he attended the New Jersey League of Municipalities Conference. He brought back materials for various departments. Those materials pertain to conversion to LED and energy efficient applications. There are new technologies for the Office of Emergency Management we should be looking at.

There is a hold on what was presented to the council by the office of emergency management on a low power FM radio station.

There are asphalt companies offering instant patch as a more efficient way. There is public safety technology out there we should be looking at such as movable cameras up to different security systems. There are traffic management systems, paperless automated ticketing. There are companies that run code enforcement and dispatch. There is downtown New Jersey Technology to take advantage of. There are time management systems. Amusements for Fire Departments. Also, parking meters and collapsible flood systems.

Mayor Pilato announced that the presentation was cancelled.

on the Transit Village Development Concept by Diversified Realty Advisors, LLC. They advised the council they would not be in attendance. He noted that it was unanimous by the council at the last meeting to have them come in and give a presentation. He stated that someone had communication with Diversified and they got “spooked”. He does not know if they will return to Bound Brook.

Mayor Pilato announced that a Resignation Letter was submitted by Councilman John Miller effective November 30, 2013.

Greetings for comments and invitation for discussion

George Capodagli, Developer of the Meridia Project was present to thank the council and the town for giving him the opportunity to develop in Bound Brook. He hopes that everyone is happy with what they see so far. He also stated that this is a special time of the year for the children. He wants to work with a councilman and volunteer to organize a party for the children. He will bring in caterers and have a carnival. There will be tents set up. He asked that the council pick the time and the place and he

will make sure everything is in place. He closed in saying that all officials have been very gracious.

Councilman Miller thanked Mr. Capodagli what you are giving Bound Brook. Well done and you have earned my respect.

Dale Leubner/T&M Associates informed the governing body that his brother was in a recent car accident downtown. The Bound Brook Police Department was on the scene immediately. They were comforting and took control of the incident. He told the Police Chief that his force is second to none.

He thanked the Police Chief and his department. He noted that his brother was alright.

Committee reports

Finance: C. Bogart

The budget was passed so my work is done for this year.

The Mayor asked if there will be transfers for the next meeting.

C. Bogart will speak with Mr. Bahr on the budget transfers for next meeting.

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

The October Report was read into the record of minutes.

Public Safety (Police & Fire)- C. Hasting

October Reports were read into the record of minutes.

Personnel, Administration & Ordinances- C. Pranzatelli

He stated that all new employees recently hired are all working out per Administrator Bahr.

Economic Development- C. Levin

The EDAC met last week and discussed the annual Tree lighting ceremony along with what Mr. Capodagli spoke about. A December 7 date with the Brook Theatre was discussed but we might postpone it to the 14th.

Zoning, Construction & Code Enforcement- C. Miller

The October report was read into the record of minutes.

Introduction of ordinances -

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

ORDINANCE NO. 2013:14

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ARTS AND CULTURAL DISTRICT IN THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

Summary: The purpose of which is to increase awareness and support for arts, culture, and the creative economy in the Borough of Bound Brook especially within the area designated as the Bound Brook Arts and Cultural District.

Motion: C. Levin Second: C. Hasting

Roll Call: Unanimous

Ordinance on Final Reading and Consideration: -

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

BOND ORDINANCE NO- B2013: 15

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER RELATED EXPENSES IN AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK AND APPROPRIATING \$2,000,000 THEREFOR (INCLUDING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000 EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION), AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,710,000 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK TO FINANCE THE SAME.

Purpose: The improvement authorized and the purpose for which the bonds or notes are to be issued is the reconstruction including sidewalks and curbing where necessary of various Borough roads, including, but not limited to Grove Avenue from Vosseller Avenue to Highland Avenue, Church Street from Chestnut Avenue to Piedmont Drive and Wahnetah Drive from Watchung Road to Church Street, and including all work and materials necessary therefore or incidental thereto.

Motion to open to public: C. Hasting Second: C. Miller

All in favor: Ayes

Public Comment: None

Mayor Pilato advised that this will continue with concrete curbing. This is because the drainage does not allow us to do Belgium block. You need a precise gutter to allow the water to go where we want it to go. There will be no ponding in the road.

Johanna Musson- 524 Church Street

She noted that she lives on the corner of Church and Wahnetah where the curb ends. When you proceed with the project if you could take that into account and just carry over into the driveway.

Mayor Pilato advised that he would make sure the borough engineer receives your suggestion. The engineer will speak with you about the apron as well.

Motion to close public comment: C. Miller Second: C. Hasting

All in favor:

Motion to adopt: C. Miller Second: C. Hasting

Roll Call: Unanimous

Resolutions for final reading and final consideration:

R2013: 192

Approve Change Order No. 2-Lucas Construction Group, Inc. –
2012 Road Reconstruction Program

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

R2013: 193

Approve 2014 Recycling Agreement between Somerset County and the
Borough of Bound Brook

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

R2013: 194

Approve animal control services contract to St. Hubert's Animal Welfare
Center

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

R2013:195

Approve the release of escrow funds –Block 47 Lots 42-01 & 42-02

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

Mayor Pilato advised that the Police Department asked that the following resolution be added. This is part of a grant.

R2013:196-

A proclamation supporting “Drive Sober Year End Crackdown”

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

Unfinished Business

**For Consideration-New Jersey Highlands Coalition

Resolution of continuing support for the goals and purposes of the 2004 Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act

Mayor Pilato advised this was presented at the last meeting. He asked the council to consider before we bring this up in resolution form. They have good goals but in execution it does tie up a lot of private property. We should get some insight as to what we want to do.

The EDAC should consider this at their next meeting.

New Business

Correspondence Received 11/21/13 Steven B. Lieberman Esq.

Ref: Café Imperial –consideration to allow a modification to agreement.

Mayor Pilato advised that after consultation with borough attorney and police chief this matter will be handled in executive session.

There will be no action taken after the session.

Approval of Vouchers

R2013: 197

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

Open meeting to the public for comments

Charles Hupfer-555 East High Street

He advised that on VanKeuren Avenue Fire Co. No. 4 there is a large crown. This damages our vehicles coming out. He asked if there was anyway of getting this fixed.

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Mayor Pilato noted that there is not because of drainage issues; reconstruction. Once the flood control work is all completed, this can be addressed. He suggested having a meeting with the Fire Department and the Engineers as to what can be done. We can do all at once or half from Linden down. This concern has gone back four years. In essence the flood control project is complete. The council now has to agree for a bond or utilize existing overages in existing bonds.

R2013: 197 @ 8:30 p.m.

Authorize executive session for (Personnel; Negotiation)

Matters: Café Imperial; Energy Aggregation

No action to be taken after session.

Mayor Pilato advised that he would invite Council Elect Beverly Pranzatelli and Peter Lazzaro to join in the session.

Adjournment @ 9PM

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

Respectfully submitted by,

Donna Marie Godleski, Municipal Clerk