# BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK-AGENDA/WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES APRIL 13-2010

Mayor Carey Pilato called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with a reading of the Open Public Meetings Law Statement, Opening Prayer read by the Borough Clerk and the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Pilato present
Council President Pranzatelli present
Council Dietrich present
Council Petti present
Council Buckley present
Council Wagner absent
Council Hasting present

Present:

Randy Bahr, Administrator, Donna Marie Godleski, Borough Clerk;

Borough Attorney Associate Daniel Zwillenberg, Esq.

Attendees:

Deputy Police Chief Michael Jannone

Mayor Pilato moved the order of business on the agenda to begin with Proclamations, Recognitions, Engineers Report to follow.

Mayor Pilato recognized the Bound Brook Elks. A thank you was extended to the organization members who helped during the March Storm and a request for the Elks to return to accept a proclamation.

Mayor Pilato read a proclamation for the Salvation Army. Dayana Gonzalez was in attendance to accept. She was commended for her efforts in maintaining her daily contact with the borough in order that residents could be advised about hours and services. Captains Aloir and Rute Andrade were commended for their efforts.

Mayor dispensed of reading the Proclamation for Red Cross Month and recognized the efforts of those volunteers that helped during the March Storm.

Approval of Minutes: Agenda/Workshop March 23, 2010

Motion moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Dietrich; All in favor: Ayes

# Engineer- T&M Associates – March Monthly Report-

Mr. Keady reviewed those items on his report.

- ➤ NJDEP Stormwater Deadline- An ordinance is to be adopted by September of this year for Private Storm Drain Inlet Retrofitting and Refuse Container/Dumpster
- ➤ Church Street-From East Union Avenue (Route 28) to East Maple Avenue-Scope and Fee Estimate for Professional Services- project award 18 months

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- Metape Circle Reconstruction –several alternatives to be reviewed in committee
- T&M hired a grants writer. A suggestion to bring her to a council meeting to speak on how she may help the borough move forward to apply for Fema and Federal Grants. Consensus of the council agreed.

Washington Street was placed to the top of the list for reconstruction. Potholes will be filled for now.

Mayor recommended our Public Works Department work with the County Department to place a sign on Route 22 for local traffic only.

Mr. Keady will forward an updated list to the governing body on the Streets/Roads slated for reconstruction and resurfacing.

C. Dietrich asked Mr. Keady about a Shade Tree-white ash that was removed from Livingston/Union Avenue. Mr. Keady stated that this tree was not slated for removal.

C. Pranzatelli stated that communications between the Shade Tree Commission and Engineering could have been better noted. Mr. Bahr stated that the commission should have been notified.

Mayor mentioned at the Greenbrook Flood Control Meeting a meeting with New Jersey Transit will take place on Thursday regarding the flood gate.

Mr. Keady gave an update on Defino Construction Company. He has asked the borough attorney to be involved. The contracting company needs to be forced.

Questions to Engineer from the public.

R. Short- 169 Cherry-She mentioned a sewer line on Cherry Avenue needs to be checked. S. Smith-275 Chestnut-He mentioned a property on Mountain Avenue needs to be looked at which is South of Route 28/338 Mountain. Mayor replied that the town will take a look at the property.

Engineer was excused from the meeting.

#### Greetings of the Public

#### Kucharski-Watchung Road-

He expressed his concerns about a traffic light on Union and Mountain Avenue-the light is hanging; very unsafe. Mayor replied that the borough will take a look at this.

#### Steve Smith-

He expressed his opinion on the Battle of Bound Brook event over past weekend.

#### Carol Holub-518 West Second

She thanked the Mayor for his help with the Battle events. She stated it was the best. She hopes it will continue. She stated that the event at the Brook Theatre was hopping Saturday night.

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## 216 Somerset Street

Resident asked about the nuisance ordinance on the agenda.

Mayor responded stating that it is on for discussion later. In general if a landlord has tenants that violate major ordinance and state law, the borough has the ability after a second time to pull landlord bond held against the property. A potential for a hearing. Comments by attorney stating that you can hold landlord responsible for disorderly conduct.

Attorney advised he will work on this ordinance and forward to the council.

Deputy Chief Jannone stated that he was not happy with the draft that he reviewed. This is a quality of life issue. Mayor encouraged the borough move on this ordinance.

## 20 Talmage Avenue

She asked if the ordinance covers loud music.

#### Presentation

A presentation was given by Regional Plan Association. An urban design plan prepared was thoroughly reviewed and discussed by representatives Carlos Rodriquez and Corey Piasacki. This is a collaborative result spanning of one year.

Kerry Miller stated that the plan will be on the website tomorrow.

Questions from the public.

#### <u>Linda Brnicevic-20 Talmage</u>

She thanked everyone for their efforts. This should have been designed ten years ago. Suggested the presentation be given to the Planning Board and that the Zoning Officer attend and the Downtown Business Manager.

#### R. Short-169 Cherry

She would like to see things come back to the borough that she grew up with.

#### Second Reading – Public Hearing

#### Ordinance No. 10-07-

# AN ORDINANCE WAIVING BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION CODE FEES FOR FLOOD DAMAGED PROPERTIES

Motion to open to public: Dietrich Second: Hasting All in favor: Ayes Motion to close to public: Dietrich Second: Buckley All in favor: Ayes

Motion to adopt: Pranzatelli Second: Hasting

Roll Call: Unanimous

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<u>First Reading- Introduction</u> Ordinance No. 10-08-

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

Motion: Pranzatelli Second: Dietrich

Roll Call: Unanimous

## Resolution No. 10-57

# INTRODUCTION OF THE 2010 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Motion: Buckley Second: Hasting

Discussion: Comments by Mr. Bahr, Chief Finance Officer. Our 2010 budget is \$12,536,937.33. This budget is an increase of \$862,000 from last year's budget. A tax point is \$86,000. The line items of pension, health benefits are increases the borough has no control over. It is 50% of our budget. The costs are minimal that the borough has control over. Our revenues are down. The borough will apply for extraordinary aid. There is a short window to apply. Discussions with South Bound Brook Borough on shared services will continue. A meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday. The Finance Committee will continue to meet to review budget numbers and shared services.

Public Hearing on the Budget is May 25<sup>th</sup>. Advertised May 12<sup>th</sup>.

Comments by Mayor Pilato.

Roll Call: Unanimous

# Old /Unfinished Business

- ➤ Ordinance No. 10-05-Historic Preservation Zone- Planning Board Report Borough attorney advised that he spoke with the Planning Board on a minor change to the ordinance that requires no re-introduction. Mr. Fazen will be going to Trenton in May to obtain all documentation needed on those properties recommended for the historic zone. A recommend to follow up with Mr. Fazen on this.
- ➤ Capital Ordinance 08-19-Acquistion of 1 Fire Boat for the Fire Department Mr. Bahr advised the borough is ready for advertise bids. Consensus of council agreed to move forward.

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- R. Bahr- Specifications for Solid Waste Collection Service -Consensus of council agreed to move forward. Motion moved by C. Hasting; second by C. Dietrich all in agreement. Agreed to entertain an option to allow private company to bill residents directly. Take stickers out of the system. Borough would still regulate the process. This process would begin in July for a 3 year contract. No stickers will be ordered for this year until a decision has been made.
- Carriage Park Bound Brook Lot 1.02-Block 68- Request for a 90 day extension of payment of \$750,000 recreation fee.
- Amendment to the Supplemental Agreement- Motion moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Pranzatelli; All in favor: Ayes
- ➤ Nuisance Ordinance —discussed under public comment.
- ➤ Noise Ordinance Mayor stated ordinance should have a specific target along with a violation. Attorney will review other town ordinances as to the hours for construction noise, etc.

C. Dietrich advised that the times for the Bound Brook Fire Department's Carnival have been changed to begin at 6PM - 10PM.

## New Business

- C. Pranzatelli- Economic Development Advisory Committee-designated zoneallowable uses.
- ➤ Discussion on the Business/Retail Zone; change of use from restaurant to retail. Applicant must go before the Planning Board for approval.
- Most other towns receive a zone list of desired uses. This is a more business friendly approach. We should talk about all zones. On Route 28 also. Designate what we want in those zones. A suggest to send an e-mail to the Planning Board on this. Attorney advised that council comments should be forwarded to the Clerk and the Planning Board.

- C. Pranzatelli-Approve 45K façade grant-Hope Church
- ➤ Motion to approve grant moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Dietrich; All in Favor: Ayes

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➤ Police Department-Chips, Inc.-Towing Fee Complaint- Deputy Chief Jannone gave a brief on the purpose. Applicant will be notified to appear for a hearing which will be scheduled for the April 27 meeting

C. Dietrich advised of an event at Bound Brook High School. "Every 15 Minutes". He recommended that anyone with children would benefit from this event.

#### Approvals-

# Special Event Permit Application –

- ➤ Bound Brook Little League Parade-April 17, 2010 –
- Motion moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Dietrich; All in Favor-Ayes
- ➤ Bound Brook Community Development Association- Farmers Market –
- ➤ Saturdays-June-September 2010 –Commuter Parking Lot- Main Street
- Motion moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Buckley- All in favor-Ayes
- ➤ Bound Brook Hose Co. No. 1-Fund Drive-April 24, 2010-
- ➤ Rain Date-May 1, 2010-Vosseller Avenue at E. Union Avenue and E. Main Street at S. Main Street
- Motion moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Petti; All in favor-Ayes
- ➤ Holy Family Academy-Request Permission to Utilize Codrington Park 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Holy Family Academy Carnival- September 16 through September 19, 2010
- ➤ C. Dietrich asked why the carnival could not be held at Billian Legion Park which is the Gateway to the Town. Concerns were addressed which will be carried over to the April 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. The contact for the Carnival will be asked to attend the meeting to address those concerns.
- > September 18, 2010 Bound Brook Festival
- ➤ Motion to approve the date moved by C. Buckley; second by C. Dietrich; All in favor: Ayes
- C. Pranzatelli gave a brief on the firm that the committee is recommending to hire for the festival to help manage this event. Borough attorney recommended no award this evening to "This Is It Productions". A decision was made to procure 3 quotes and bring back to the April 27<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda.

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#### Holub-518 West Second Street

She stated that she likes where the Holy Family Carnival is held at Codrington Park. She asked who was running the Farmers Market this year.

# Short-169 Cherry Avenue

She gave a lot of credit to Hope Church for all their work they have been doing. Offered her comments on the borough going out for bids on Solid Waste Haulers and noise at the Holy Family Carnival.

## 138 West High

Resident had a question on recycling.

## 20 Talmage

Residents offered her concerns on the designation of zones.

# 218 West Maple

Resident offered their concerns on the collection of refuse.

# Adjourn to Executive Session at 11:30 p.m.

Resolution No. 10-58 (Potential Litigation; Personnel)

Motion moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Pranzatelli; no action afterwards.

Meeting adjourned at 12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Donna Marie Godleski, Borough Clerk