

**BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK-
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - MAY 25, 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

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

Present:

Donna Marie Godleski, Borough Clerk; Daniel Zwillenberg, Esq., Borough Attorney Associate

Absent: Randy Bahr, Administrator

Attendees:

Lt. Spolarich; Lt. Rivenbark

Mayor Pilato asked for a moment of silence for our fallen veterans and our men and women currently serving.

Approval of Minutes: Agenda/Workshop Meeting of May 11, 2010

Motion moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Hasting; unanimously approved.

Mayor reviewed the agenda of the meeting for the public.

Greetings to the Public

R. Short- 169 Cherry Avenue –

She commented on how tall the hedges are on Mountain Avenue and Piedmont Drive. There are a lot of corners around town just like this.

She asked who we contact to cut the grass on County Roads. Mayor stated that the DOT offices are located in Freehold, NJ.

Carol Holub-518 West Second Street-

She complained about how horrible St. Johns Street is. The potholes are very bad. She asked when the next street cleaning is.

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Joseph Gullia, Deputy Fire Chief

He thanked the Borough for their support with the fireman's carnival. He also thanked the Public Works and the Police Department. It was a very successful event; very safe and enjoyable. Mayor Pilato stated that the carnival was very well organized and well thought out.

Committee Reports

Economic Development-C. Pranzatelli

Reported on the renovation of the Eastbound train station; the architect is still filling out the necessary paperwork to move forward with the project.

Committee met with Mr. Rodrigues of Regional Planning Association. He would like to meet with the Planning Board to present a plan similar to the PPS Report. Mr. Rodrigues will be speaking with Mr. Frank Regan, Offices of the Borough Attorney to discuss the plan to meet the needs of the DOJ.

Provided an update on the Brook Performing Arts Center.

This past Saturday the downtown had a Clean Up Day. We had 50 to 75 volunteers. They weeded and mulched. We hired a cleaning company through grant monies. This Saturday we started seeing some of this reward.

The Home Depot helped with supplies and they are interested in a partnership.

Reported on the Easton Avenue Corridor Study and a status report on the Downtown Coordinator.

This year's Fall Street Festival will be named the "River fest".

Finance-C. Wagner- Absent .

Mayor Pilato reported that later on the agenda we will be discussing the Borough's budget. The Finance committee has met and exchanged ideas.

Personnel, Administration & Ordinances -C. Hasting -No Report

Public Safety- Police, Fire & Rescue - C. Dietrich

Provided the April Fire and Police Report. The Parking Commission met and a brief meeting was held.

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

Provided the April report.

Zoning, Construction & Code Enforcement- C. Buckley

Reported the committee is looking at streamlining the businesses coming into town. Considering an amendment to the current code. A sample ordinance was provided to review. Provided the April Housing and Zoning Report.

Public Hearing –

2010 Municipal Budget and Tax Resolution Introduced by the Borough Committee on April 13, 2010 at which time and place objections to may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

Mayor Pilato reported that the 2010 Municipal Budget Summary was published in the Courier News.

Mayor provided an overview on the State's new variables and scenarios on the budget. On the revenue side the news is worse. The appropriation side, cutting services. The worse thing we can do is have a huge tax increase.

The goal is that Bound Brook is at the top of the budget. The next steps are: The introduced budget we can move forward with or without extraordinary aid. Mid July we find out about the extraordinary aid. We then make the final budget. We introduce a budget amendment, hold a public hearing then adopt the budget for the municipal year. C. President Pranzatelli agreed with the Mayors comments at this time on the state of the budget.

No public comment.

Ordinance Introduction- First Reading

Ordinance No. B10-12-

Title: Bond Ordinance To Authorize The Making Of Improvements To Church Street In, By And For The Borough Of Bound Brook, In The County Of Somerset, State Of New Jersey, To Appropriate The Sum Of \$290,000 To Pay The Cost Thereof, To Make A Down Payment, To Authorize The Issuance Of Bonds To Finance Such Appropriation And To Provide For The Issuance Of Bond Anticipation Notes In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Such Bonds.

Motion moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Dietrich; unanimous. Second reading is scheduled for the June 8, 2010 council meeting.

Ordinance Adoption: Second Reading

Ordinance No. 10-09

An ordinance regulating excessive noise within the Borough of Bound Brook

Motion to open to public moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Buckley; all in favor.

Public Question:

R. Short-169 Cherry Avenue- A question on the regulations. Attorney responded.

Motion to close public comment moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Pranzatelli; all in favor.

Motion to adopt moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Pranzatelli; unanimously adopted.

Ordinance No. 10-10

An ordinance amending Chapter 7 Section 39.2 of the revised general ordinances

Designating one handicapped parking space

Motion to open to public moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Hasting; all in favor.

No public comment.

Motion to close public comment moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Hasting; all in favor.

Motion to adopt moved by C. Buckley; second by C. Petti; unanimously adopted.

Ordinance No. 10-11

An ordinance imposing sanctions on landlords who permit repeated quality of life violations

Motion to open to public moved by C. Buckley; second by C. Dietrich; all in favor.

Attorney gave a brief purpose of the ordinance including a quality of life and responsible leasing practices.

Public Comment:

R. Short- 169 Cherry Avenue- She stated the town needs this ordinance.

C. Holub-518 W. Second Street- She asked how this ordinance works. Attorney responded.

Motion to close public comment moved by C. Hasting; second by C. Buckley; all in favor.

Motion to adopt moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Buckley; unanimously adopted.

Resolutions:

R10-67-

Authorize refund of parking permit fees to two (2) commuters due to loss of employment

Motion moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Hasting; all in favor-unanimous

R10-68-

Authorize tax collector to issue a refund of tax and refuse overpayment-Block 63, Lot 2

Motion moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Petti; all in favor-unanimous.

R10-69-

Authorize refund of 2010-2011 liquor license renewal overpayments

Motion moved by C. Buckley; second by C. Pranzatelli; all in favor-unanimous.

R10-70-

Authorize Scope and Fee for professional services contract to T&M Associates for the reconstruction of Church Street from East Union Avenue (Route 28) to East Maple Avenue

Motion moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Pranzatelli; all in favor-unanimous.

R10-71-

Support the Click It or Ticket Mobilization-May 24-June 6, 2010

Motion moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Pranzatelli; all in favor-unanimous.

R10-72-

Approve Vouchers

Motion moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Hasting; all in favor-unanimous.

Unfinished Business-

- Holy Family Carnival –Mayor and council asked that this item be carried over to the next meeting if a representative does not show this evening.
- Revisions to the Borough’s Site Plan Ordinance –Re-examination of uses permitted in the B/R Zone. Comments by C. Buckley. He stated that the purpose is to make Bound Brook more business friendly. Right now it takes 2 to 3 months just to open a business. Some are for approved uses and some not. A sample ordinance has been provided to us for review. Mayor asked that all suggestions be made now. We need to prescribe what we want in the zones. Attorney stated that this is an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. C. Pranzatelli stated that the Economic Development Advisory Committee be engaged.

- A draft and the existing uses are to be sent to the EDAC. Introduce for the first meeting in June.

New Business

- Notice of Addendum for Public Bid for Solid Waste Collection Service- Attorney stated that the Receipt of bids was extended to Wednesday, July 21, 2010- According to statute sixty days is required from the date of Advertisement to the opening of the bids.
- Discuss Options for the billing/stickers until a decision regarding trash pickup can be made.
- Several options were discussed. The consensus of council agreed to –
- After July 1 and until a new system is in place:
- The borough will pick up 2 regular size trash cans or bags each week for every dwelling unit which normally receives a bill
- These 2 regular size trash cans or bags DO NOT require stickers.
- A bill will be sent for this service.
- Trash pickup will be on your regularly scheduled collection day.
- Extra stickers may be purchased for any trash or bulk beyond the 2 can or bag limit at the regular price of \$3.50 per sticker.
- Stickers left over from the prior billing may be used through the month of July for any item exceeding the 2 can or bag limit.

As soon as the borough has additional information, it will be provided to the residents.

- Motion moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Pranzatelli; all in favor.
- Amendment to Chapter 3-Police Regulations- Section 3-1.17- Distribution of Handbills.

It shall be unlawful for any person to place, to cause to be placed, or to hire another person to place any advertisement, handbill or unsolicited material of any kind in or on any street, sidewalk, building, (insert -poles, tree`s) or vehicle within the community. (Delete) in such a manner that it may be removed by natural forces.

Attorney stated that the Code Enforcement Officer wants the original information back in place. It was omitted in error by the Codification Company. Introduction of the amendment to the ordinance will be scheduled for the June 8 meeting.

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- Reconstruction of Tea Street Northbound Lane from Route 28 to the South Entrance to the Shopping Center -Authorize supplement to open construction contract- Mayor reported that Mr. Bahr, Chief Financial Officer stated that this construction is of an emergency nature. Motion to approve moved by C. Dietrich; second by C. Pranzatelli; all in favor.

C. Dietrich stated that he would be absent for the next meeting of June 8, 2010.

Mayor Pilato reported that no representative from Holy Family Academy came this evening so this item will be carried over to the next meeting of June 8, 2010.

Mayor instructed the Clerk to send the carnival committee applicant a list of items for review that will be discussed at the meeting. This will enable the council to move forward with the approval of the carnival.

C. Buckley asked if the borough should move forward with the Street Fair.

C. Pranzatelli stated, at this point we assume we are not partners and we move forward.

Attorney recommended a person or committee be appointed to assume any/all decisions from the company hired for the street fair.

Open to Public on Agendized Matters Only

Carol Holub- 518 W. Second

She asked if Second Street will be worked on soon. She asked what the date will be for the Street Fair/The River Fest.

R. Short-169 Cherry Avenue

She had a question on rezoning.

R10- 73

Authorize Executive Session at 9:05 p.m. (Matters for (Negotiations; Potential Litigation; Mayor stated discussion will be on Penrose; Elite; T-Mobil; Dirt Pile; Rescue Squad.

Motion moved by C. Pranzatelli; second by C. Dietrich; all in favor; ayes

No action afterward.

Adjournment

Regular meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Donna Marie Godleski, Borough Clerk