

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL – BOROUGH OF RED BANK
AUGUST 22, 2012
6:30 P.M.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Menna and Council Members Lewis, Zipprich, DuPont, Horgan, Lee and Murphy.

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Sickels, Municipal Clerk Borghi, Chief Financial Officer Lapp, Attorney O’Hern and Engineer Ballard.

SUNSHINE STATEMENT

Mayor Menna requested the minutes reflect that, in compliance with Public Law 1975, Chapter 231 (Open Public Meetings Act), notice of this meeting has been provided by notifying the Asbury Park Press, the Two River Times and the Star Ledger and by placing a notice on the bulletin board and filing same with the Borough Clerk on January 12, 2012.

SUSPEND REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councilwoman Lewis offered a motion to suspend the regular order of business, seconded by Councilman Murphy.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Lewis, Zipprich, DuPont, Horgan, Lee, Murphy

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the motion was declared approved.

Presentation by the Red Bank New Jersey Orators

Mayor Menna said Councilwoman Lewis had made arrangements for a presentation by the Red Bank New Jersey Orators. He noted that she was the local coordinator and asked her to give some back ground on the program.

Councilwoman Lewis said New Jersey Orators was a nonprofit organization that had been formed in 1985 by a small group of African American professionals who had set out to improve language and communication skills of youth from the ages of seven to eighteen. She said in January of this year, the Red Bank Chapter had been established and that it had started with a small group of children. She said they meet at Calvary Baptist Church on Thursday nights and in May, had gone to competition. She said, of the ten groups that had competed, the newly formed Red Bank Chapter came in fifth in points, which she felt was not bad for a brand new established Chapter. She said, as head coach, she was extremely proud of the Borough’s young people and the hard work that they had done. She introduced two members of the Chapter, Akin Gaddis and Zuri Mondesie, who gave demonstrations of their skills.

Mayor Menna expressed his appreciation on behalf of all of Red Bank to Councilwoman Lewis and thanked her for bringing the endeavor to the municipality and for creating such wonderful opportunities for the Borough’s youngest people. He thanked the young people for attending the meeting and sharing their poetry selections and said their performances were sterling. He also complemented the families of the youth for the wonderful job they had done.

Councilwoman Horgan thanked Councilwoman Lewis for taking on the task and for getting so involved in helping the youth.

RESUME REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councilman Murphy offered a motion to resume the regular order of business, seconded by Councilman Zipprich.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Lewis, Zipprich, DuPont, Horgan, Lee, Murphy

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the motion was declared approved.

WORKSHOP

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

REPORTS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilman Murphy reported that the Emergency Management Committee was seeking additional volunteers to participate on its CERT team. He said the CERT training promoted a partnership between Emergency Services and the people that they served. He said there were new classes beginning at the end

of September and there would be an open house with the date to be announced. He also reported that there was a resolution on the agenda in honor of Fred Colmorgen who had served 50 years in the Fire Department and said there would be a celebration in his honor on the following Saturday.

Councilwoman Lee had no report.

Councilwoman Horgan said there had been a reception on the previous Sunday for the art exhibit known as Heads which had paintings mounted to buildings throughout town. She said the event was sponsored by the New Jersey Museum of Contemporary Art and would last until October 17. She said Bates Lodge had held a celebration of their 90th anniversary which Council members attended.

Councilwoman Lewis said summer camp had been a huge smash and was winding down within the week. She reported that registration for fall programs was underway. She also noted that the Family Reunion and Block Party event had been a huge success and the Community Day at Count Basie Field held the following week was another great event. She said she wanted Public Works Director Watson to know that the two gentlemen from Public Works who worked in Count Basie Park that day were amazing and took care of every detail. She also commended Recreation Director Memone Crystian for another great event sponsored by Parks and Recreation. In regard to the Vision Committee, she reported that the final event would be Friday, August 24, and said it would be a tribute to Ralph "Johnny Jazz" Gatta.

Councilman Zipprich said he wanted to commend Councilwoman Lewis for a job well done with the Community Vision Project and the Count Basie 365 Cultural Affair. He also thanked Public Works Director Watson and Recreation Director Crystian for their efforts in participating in Community Day and spoke about the excitement surrounding the event. He also reported that the Public Works Committee had met earlier in the day and gone over the road program. He said he was happy to report that Peters Place was finally finished and Monmouth Street was underway. He said there had been a minor setback in regard to the Front Street project, but said Engineer Ballard had been in touch with the County regarding the issue.

Councilman DuPont said he wanted to thank the Elks Lodge and the Phyllis Wheatley Temple for a great evening the previous night. He wished Councilman Zipprich and Councilwoman Lewis the best for their trip to the Democratic Convention. He said the Mayor's Wellness Campaign was partnering with the YMCA to help Borough employees lead a healthier lifestyle. He said the program included a free four-month membership to the Red Bank and free health screenings and evaluations conducted by Riverview. He said they were creating brochures for the program. He said the Committee would also be holding a Community Walk/Health Fair for October 20th which include the same screenings and offer information to residents.

He said he was happy to see that the eastern portion of Monmouth Street was being paved and said he understood the western portion should begin soon.

Councilman Murphy clarified that the Monmouth Street project was not part of the road program. Mayor Menna confirmed that it was being done through the Special Improvement District.

Councilman DuPont said he was aware that it was no part of the road program and asked Engineer Ballard when the paving of the western portion of Monmouth would begin. She said the work was being coordinated with the theater because they were replacing all of the curb and sidewalk. She said they were currently working on Drummond Place and she expected the western Monmouth Street work to begin in September. Councilman DuPont said it was exciting to see that the train station was being renovated and Monmouth Street was being done.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Mayor Menna read a request from Coffee Corral to hold a movie night on their property located at 177 Drs. James Parker Boulevard on September 4, 2012, approved by the Special Events Committee with conditional dates of September 11th and 28th.

Councilman Murphy offered a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilwoman Lee.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Lewis, Zipprich, DuPont, Horgan, Lee, Murphy

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the motion was declared approved.

Mayor Menna read a request from RiverCenter to reschedule their Classic Car Cruise to a rain date of September 12, 2012 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Broad Street and Monmouth Street and to hang a banner on Shrewsbury Avenue from September 1, 2012 to September 12, 2012 to advertise the event, approved by the Special Events Committee.

Councilman Murphy offered a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilman DuPont.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Lewis, Zipprich, DuPont, Horgan, Lee, Murphy

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the motion was declared approved.

Mayor Menna read a request from Buona Sera to hold a car show on August 28, 2012 beginning at 7 p.m. in the Stavola Parking Lot, Firestone Parking Lot, Sleep Shop Parking Lot and along Maple Avenue to Oakland Street, approved by the Special Events Committee.

Councilman Murphy offered a motion to approve the request, seconded by Councilwoman Lee.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Lewis, Zipprich, DuPont, Horgan, Lee, Murphy

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the motion was declared approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON RESOLUTIONS ON THE AGENDA AND ORDINANCES ON THE AGENDA ON FIRST READING

Mayor Menna opened the public comment portion of the meeting and asked if anyone would like to speak.

Wendy Weiner—said she was appearing as the requestor for the movie night event. She asked if she could choose one of the subsequent dates at this time. Administrator Sickels noted that the approval was for the first date and if the event had no problems, she would be approved for the 2nd and 3rd dates.

Councilwoman Horgan asked if those were rain dates.

Mr. Sickels said they were not and said the committee had understood they were dates requested for additional events.

Ms. Weiner said she had given three possible dates for her event and only wanted to choose one. She said she would like to have the event on September 28.

No one appearing, Councilman DuPont offered a motion to close the public comment portion, seconded by Councilman Murphy.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Lewis, Zipprich, DuPont, Horgan, Lee, Murphy

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the motion was declared approved.

ORDINANCES – First Reading

ORDINANCES – Public Hearing and Final Adoption

RESOLUTIONS

By Consent Agenda:

12-174 A RESOLUTION REQUESTING SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE.

12-175 A RESOLUTION HONORING FRED COLMORGEN, JR. ON HIS 50TH ANNIVERSARY IN THE RED BANK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

12-176 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF RED BANK AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY BY AND FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

12-177 A RESOLUTION FIXING FEES AND CHARGES UNDER CHAPTER XVIII “PARKS AND RECREATION” SECTION 18-6 “FEES AND CHARGES” OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES.

Councilwoman Lewis offered a motion to approve the resolutions, seconded by Councilman Zipprich.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Lewis, Zipprich, DuPont, Horgan, Lee, Murphy

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolutions were declared approved.

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

12-178 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS AMOUNTING TO \$1,555,666.42.”

Councilman DuPont offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded Councilman Zipprich.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Lewis, Zipprich, DuPont, Horgan, Lee, Murphy

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the resolution was declared approved.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Menna read a proclamation proclaiming August 21-26, 2012 as Elk Week and August 21, 2012 as an official day of recognition to Bates Lodge #220 and Phyllis Wheatley Temple #276 on their 95th Anniversary.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

AUDIENCE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Murphy offered a motion, seconded by Councilman DuPont adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Lewis, Zipprich, DuPont, Horgan, Lee, Murphy

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the motion was declared approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Borghi