

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL – BOROUGH OF RED BANK
JANUARY 25, 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, Attorney O’Hern, Engineer Ballard and Chief Financial Officer Lapp.

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 3, 2012.

SUSPEND REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councilman DuPont offered the motion to suspend 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.

Emergency Management Check Presentation by Prown’s Home Improvement

Mayor Menna explained that David Prown had produced a calendar to benefit the unsung heroes of the Borough’s Emergency Management Team.

Mr. Prown came forward to present the check to Emergency Management Coordinator Tom Welsh and Deputy Coordinator Ernest Van Pelt. He said it was a real pleasure to create the latest Old Time Red Bank calendar that focused on storms such as hurricanes and floods. He noted that last year 700 calendars had gone unsold while the 2012 calendar was sold out in 19 days. He partially attributed that to the fact that people recognized friends and family in the photos.

Mr. Welsh thanked Mr. Prown on behalf of the Emergency Management and all those who bought the calendar. He thanked Councilwoman Lee for suggesting Emergency Management as the beneficiary and noted the limited budget the Committee had and explained how the funds would be used. He noted there was a resolution on this agenda that would enable the Committee to start a Community Emergency Response Team.

Mayor Menna commended Mr. Welsh on his accomplishments with the Emergency Management Committee and noted he was in his second year in the position. He said he had developed the Committee from a single file cabinet to an office with state of the art technology and noted it was an organization of all volunteers. He said looking forward to the CERT team and asked Mr. Prown to help inform the youth of the community about the team.

12-26 Mayor Menna read, “A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR TO CREATE A COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) PROGRAM.”

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

RESUME REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councilman DuPont offered the 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

No workshop items.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 1, 2012

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

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 11, 2012

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

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

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

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

None.

REPORTS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilman Murphy had no report.

Councilwoman Lee reported that February was Black History Month and said the library had a full schedule of events. She noted there was also an event at the Count Basie Theater later in February.

Councilwoman Horgan reported that she, Councilwoman Lewis and Mr. Prown were on the Advisory Board of the Boys & Girls Club. She said they were in the process of recruiting a new Director and had new staff members that were excited and enthusiastic. She said they had a variety of programs and were conducting campaigns to raise funds. She said they would be hosting a golf outing on May 7 and needed sponsors. She said they were also looking for sponsors to cater their teen nights which were held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. She said they were also looking for new members to serve on the Advisory Council such as contractors and bankers. She described one of the programs sponsored by the Boys & Girls Club which was their Youth of the Year program. She said a candidate would be chosen at the State level and would receive a scholarship ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000. She said they could go on to a National competition that would result in one individual being chosen that could receive up to an additional \$50,000 in scholarship money and they would be installed by the President of the United States. She said they were looking for volunteers to help the students with interviewing skills, essay writing and public speaking. She noted applications were due by April 13.

She also reported that the Human Relations Advisory Committee had met the previous Monday and discussed anti bullying in Borough schools. She said Superintendent of Schools Laura Morana was in

attendance at the meeting and informed the Committee that the Monmouth County Prosecutor would be coming to the Borough in the Spring to teach parents and students about the dangers of cyber bullying and how to prevent it. She said the subject was especially important because there had been so many suicides among teenagers. She also reported that on Saturday, February 18, there would be a program at the Monmouth County Library in Shrewsbury entitled Education Under Fire. She said it was about a campaign developed to address the denial of education in Iran for ideological and religious reasons. She said the Committee was promoting it because it was a Human Rights issue.

She said the Environmental Commission had met the night before to discuss the ANJEC grant they had received to reduce vehicle emissions. She said they discussed a program they were going to have which would be a competition for kids in the Borough schools to design logos as well as a poster contest. She said they would also be creating a Red Bank walking tour that would include a treasure hunt for all ages. She said a map of Red Bank would be developed in a color book format and the goal would be to record facts found on plaques at each location along the trail, to keep a record and receive a reward. She said RiverCenter would be helping to get businesses involved in the project. She said the kick off date would be April 22 between 1 and 4 pm. She told those who were interested in getting involved should note that the next time they were scheduled to meet was Tuesday, February 28 at 7 pm.

Juanita Lewis said she wanted to remind everyone that winter sports were underway and spring sports signup would be happening soon. She said there were quite a number of children signed up for the programs and said Parks and Recreation was thriving.

Councilman Zipprich thanked the DPW crew for a quick and swift snow clean up of the previous week. He said the DPW Committee had met and discussed the budget and purchases for 2012. He said the Department's 2012 newsletter was being streamlined and should be out in the next couple of weeks. He also reported that the Shade Tree Committee was still working on the BSF grant.

Councilman DuPont said the Finance Committee was still working on the budget and trying to make cuts while making sure they had a good budget. He commended the Mayor on his efforts to get not for profits to make voluntary payments to the Borough and said he wanted to remind everyone that the Municipal portion alone for not for profits was \$1.2 million. He encouraged the Mayor to continue his efforts.

Mayor Menna reported that he had a follow up meeting the following Monday with a couple of legislators and said he would report back on the result of the meeting. He assured everyone that he was continuing to work on the matter and said a lot of the not for profits had privately agreed that the issue needed to be addressed.

Councilman DuPont again noted that the Municipal portion for not for profits was \$1.2 million which was a little less than one percent of the total budget.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

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

ORDINANCES – First Reading

ORDINANCES – Public Hearing & Final Adoption

2012-1 Mayor Menna read, “ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER VIII, “PARKING LOTS AND HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES”, SUBSECTION 8-2.8, “RESTRICTED PARKING”, SCHEDULE IV OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RED BANK.”

Mayor Menna opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak.

No appearing, Councilman Murphy offered a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Councilman Zipprich.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the public hearing was declared closed.

Councilman Murphy offered a motion to adopt the ordinance on final reading, seconded by Councilman Zipprich.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

There being six ayes and no nays, the ordinance was declared adopted on final reading.

RESOLUTIONS

By Consent Agenda:

- 12-22 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH DYNAMIC TESTING SERVICE FOR 2012 ALCOHOL AND DRUG TESTING SERVICES.
- 12-23 A RESOLUTION RELEASING MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE POSTED BY KERRI McGEEHAN, 55 FISHER PLACE, BLOCK 13, LOTS 20.17, 20.18.
- 12-24 A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL PROGRAM.
- 12-25 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF CURRENT FUND AND WATER/SEWER OPERATING FUND APPROPRIATION RESERVES.

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

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

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

- 12-27 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF RED BANK, MONMOUTH COUNTY 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 resolution, seconded by Councilman Murphy.

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

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

- 12-28 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 AND FINAL RELATED TO THE CONTRACT WITH LAYNE CHRISTENSEN COMPANY FOR THE CHESTNUT STREET WATER FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.”

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

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

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

- 12-29 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION HONORING 2011 FIRE CHIEF.”

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

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

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

PROCLAMATIONS

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

12-30 Mayor Menna read “A RESOLUTION FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS AMOUNTING TO \$3,123,157.75.”

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

ROLL CALL:

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

NAYS: None

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

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

AUDIENCE

David Prown—44 Hillside Place—thanked the Council for the opportunity to present the calendar and thanked the media for helping with promotion. He said the calendar for the next year would feature eateries and would benefit the three food banks in the Borough. In regard to the Juanito’s project, he continued, he said he thought it would be interesting to watch the dynamics with the smaller stores. He said he was concerned about how they would be affected and asked if the issue had been brought up during the application process.

Mayor Menna said it was discussed but said most of the anticipated customers were within walking distance and were currently walking to Foodtown. He again noted that they expected the customers to be local. Mr. Prown noted that district did not have as entity such as RiverCenter yet the vacancy rate was very low. Mayor Menna said it was an interesting dynamic and said the area was changing. He noted that three years from now it would be changing still.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Murphy offered a motion, seconded by Councilman Zipprich to 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