

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL – BOROUGH OF RED BANK
OCTOBER 22, 2002
5:30 P.M.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Council President Polonsky and Council Members Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson.

ALSO PRESENT: Administrator Sickels, Borough Clerk Vivona, Chief Financial Officer Loversidge, Engineer Kosenski and Attorney O'Connor.

ABSENT: Mayor McKenna

SUNSHINE STATEMENT

SUSPEND REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. Hintelmann offered a motion to suspend the regular order of business, seconded by Mr. Menna.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

02-221 Council President Polonsky read “A RESOLUTION APPOINTING POLICE LIEUTENANT”.

Mr. Menna offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Hintelmann.

Police Commissioner Hintelmann presented a biography on Lt. McDonough

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

The Borough Clerk issued the oath of office to Lt. McDonough

Red Ribbon Week – October 23 through October 31, 2002

John Austin and the Charter School gave a presentation on Red Ribbon Week.

Council President Polonsky presented Certificates of Achievements to the students.

RESUME REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mrs. Thompson offered a motion to resume the regular order of business, seconded by Mr. Hintelmann.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

WORKSHOP

Mr. Sickels reported that there was a flyer distributed to residents stating they were authorized by the Borough to paint numbers on the curbs. He said this was not true and the Borough did not authorize this company to do this.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

REPORTS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilwoman Beck reported that there would be flu shots given out at the Red Bank Senior Center tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and that they are free for Medicare patients or \$10 for all others.

She also reported that she is asking for final feedback on the rental registration ordinance and said there was a new version given out tonight. She asked the members of the governing body to contact her if they had any comments on the ordinance because she would like the ordinance placed on the agenda for the next council meeting.

Councilman Menna reported that Westside Hose Company would be hosting a dedication to Emma Vernell, who was the first female fighter recognized in New Jersey. He said the dedication would be held on October 27, 2002 at 10 a.m. and everyone is invited to attend.

Councilwoman Thompson reported that the Halloween parade would be held on October 27, 2002 at 2 p.m. She said the parade is expected to be quite colorful and there are going to be a lot of floats and the entire governing body is invited to attend.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Mayor McKenna read requests for raffle licenses from Red Bank Catholic High School Booster Club and Red Bank Elks B.P.O.E. Lodge #233.

Ms. Beck offered a motion to approve the request, seconded by Mr. Menna.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

Mayor McKenna read request from Ryan Chippendale and Christine McKay to join the Red Bank First Aid Squad.

Ms. Beck offered a motion to approve the request, seconded by Mr. Menna.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

ORDINANCES – First Reading

ORDINANCES – Public Hearing & Final Adoption

RESOLUTIONS

02-222 Council President Polonsky read “A RESOLUTION AWARDING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 REGARDING SHREWSBURY AVENUE LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE II CONTRACT”.

Ms. Beck offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Bifani.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

02-223 Council President Polonsky read “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF YEAR 2002 ASSESSMENT REGARDING PREMISES DESIGNATED ON THE TAX RECORDS AS BLOCK 109, LOT 1”.

Mrs. Thompson offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Bifani.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

02-224 Council President Polonsky read “A RESOLUTION APPOINTING BUCHALSKI, REYNOLDS & BRODOWSKI FOR VALUATION SERVICES REGARDING TAX APPEAL CONCERNING BLOCK 10, LOTS 4 AND 5”.

Mr. Bifani offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mrs. Thompson.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

02-225 Council President Polonsky read “A RESOLUTION APPOINTING BUCHALSKI, REYNOLDS & BRODOWSKI FOR VALUATION SERVICES REGARDING TAX APPEAL REGARDING TAX APPEAL CONCERNING BLOCK 27, LOT 8.01”.

Ms. Beck offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Bifani.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

PROCLAMATION

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

02-227 Council President Polonsky read “A RESOLUTION FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS AMOUNTING TO \$1,697,003.87”.

Mr. Hintelmann offered a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Mr. Bifani.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

AUDIENCE

Lorraine Petrick – 28 Riverside Ave. – also business owner – would like to see foot patrols downtown and also asked for a program to clean up the graffiti downtown.

Councilman Hintelmann said he would bring her concerns to the Chief of Police.

Councilwoman Beck said that Chief Clayton had met with members of RiverCenter regarding their concerns on this matter and believes that fines were issued to several individuals.

Mr. Sickels said that two arrests were made.

Councilman Menna suggested that we start foot patrols and also look into video surveillance. He said there might be funding available from the state for the video equipment.

Chris Cole – 1 Fisher Place – said that he had met with Chief Clayton regarding this problem and said RiverCenter sent out information in the Street Beat about the graffiti problem. He said RiverCenter is getting an estimate for painting and is offering a \$500. reward for any information leading to arrest of the individuals painting the graffiti on the buildings.

Councilwoman Thompson said that some police action should be taken and suggested that the business owners call the police when they see any suspicious individuals and suggested the store owners stay opened longer since most of the graffiti is done between 7-9 p.m

Councilman Menna asked the Borough Attorney to see if the state had amended the graffiti statue. He said he thought they were changing the penalty amounts.

Councilman Hintelmann said they would see more police presence on Broad Street.

Councilwoman Beck suggested foot patrols also be added to Shrewsbury Avenue.

Brian Benchman – 44 Irving Place – said there was graffiti painted on the side of his truck and he will offer another \$500. to the award offered by RiverCenter. He also asked that something be done to stop the speeding on Irving Place.

Councilman Hintelmann said he would talk to Chief Clayton about setting up radar on Irving Place.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

02-226 The Attorney read a resolution to adjourn to executive session to discuss pending litigation.

Mr. Bifani offered a motion, seconded by Ms. Beck to adjourn to executive session to discuss pending litigation. Minutes to be made public in 180 days.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hintelmann offered a motion, seconded by Ms. Beck to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Beck, Hintelmann, Menna, Bifani, Thompson, Polonsky

Nays: None

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

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Vivona

