

BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON
SEPTEMBER 1, 2015
CAUCUS/COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

OPENING: Mayor Busch called the meeting to order at 6:59PM.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor Busch read the following statement, "This meeting has been properly advertised and posted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, the Open Public Meetings Act."

ROLL CALL: Adrienne Guernon called the roll which resulted in the following members present: Mayor Fred Busch, Councilman Weaver, Councilman Armbruster, Councilman Fisher, Councilwoman Andrews, Councilwoman Milano. Also present were Adrienne Guernon Deputy Borough Clerk, and George Botcheos solicitor, Leah Furhy Planner. Absent, Councilwoman Nucera.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Mayor Busch led in the salute to the flag.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Continued talk about the possible purchase of the Brand Ave Mt Carmel property. This session continued from a pre 6:15 meeting.

Councilman Armbruster motioned to enter executive session at 7:00PM, seconded by Councilman Weaver and motion was carried upon the call of roll: Ayes: Armbruster, Weaver, Milano, Fisher, Andrews. Absent: Nucera. It was announced that it was anticipated that closed session would last approximately 30 minutes.

Councilman Weaver motioned to reenter open session at 7:35PM, seconded Councilman Armbruster and motion was carried upon the call of roll: Ayes: Fisher, Weaver, Armbruster, Milano, Andrews. Absent: Nucera.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR FOR TOTAL TIME NOT TO EXCEED 10 MINUTES FOR ITEMS

APPEARING ON THE AGENDA ONLY: There were no comments from the public during the privilege of the floor.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 2015-04 AUTHORIZING VARIOUS WATER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS IN THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,580,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR

BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF CLEMENTON, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$1,580,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING. Mayor Busch read by title and opened the floor to the public. Hearing no comments from the public, mayor Busch had a question as to how they got the dollar figure, Councilman Armbruster relayed that it was an approximate dollar figure not to exceed that number. He was satisfied with that and the hearing was closed. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Milano, and motion was carried upon the call of roll: Ayes: Armbruster, Weaver, Milano, Andrews, Fisher. Absent: Nucera.

RESOLUTION R15-134 AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES FOR BLOCK 58, LOT 8

Mayor Busch read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Fisher and motion was carried upon the call of roll: Ayes: Armbruster, Weaver, Milano, Andrews, Fisher. Absent: Nucera

RESOLUTION R15-135 AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY FOR YEAR 37

Mayor Busch read by title. Councilman Fisher motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Andrews and motion was carried upon the call of roll: Ayes: Armbruster, Weaver, Milano, Andrews, Fisher. Absent: Nucera

RESOLUTION R15-136 AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE CAMDEN COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Mayor Busch read by title, Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Weaver, and motion was carried upon the call of roll: Ayes: Armbruster, Weaver, Milano, Andrews, Fisher. Absent: Nucera

RESOLUTION R15-137 AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF MERCANTILE APPLICATION FOR SHOP USA LOCATED AT 328 WHITE HORSE PIKE

Mayor Busch read by title, Councilman Weaver motioned to approve, seconded by Councilwoman Andrews, and motion was carried upon the call of roll: Ayes: Armbruster, Weaver, Milano, Andrews, Fisher. Absent: Nucera

RESOLUTION R15-138 AUTHORIZING HIRE OF VARIOUS CROSSING GUARDS

Mayor Busch read by title, Councilwoman Andrews motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Weaver, and motion was carried upon the call of roll: Ayes: Armbruster, Weaver, Milano, Andrews, Fisher. Absent: Nucera

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Andrews talked about the concerns of the Daniel Dougherty Field bathrooms that they were not cleaned and the trash was overflowing, Councilman Armbruster will speak with Public works to get that rectified. She also stated that Clean Communities was going to be held October 3 & 4th.

Mayor Busch went on to talk about the numerous phone calls he has received about the abandoned houses on Silver Lake Drive and how we can rectify the problem of the maintenance of the property. It was explained to him the procedures to follow up that it is not an easy process and steps have to be taken. He was notified that Al Sexton and Joann Watson are the people handling the foreclosed and abandoned properties and we are doing everything that the law allows to fix the problem.

NEW BUSINESS:

Request from friends of Clementon for use of small community center every 2nd Monday at 7:30PM it was unanimously agreed upon with council members.

Request for Amendment to mercantile license, hours of operation for La China Poblana

Councilman Armbruster motioned to approve providing there is lighting in the parking lot, seconded by Councilman Weaver, and motion was carried upon the call of roll: Ayes, Armbruster, Andrews, Weaver, Fisher, Milano. Absent: Nucera (**MEMORIALIZED BY RESOLUTION R15-139**)

Request for equipment acquisition for OEM

A discussion entailed with Sheila Freiling being the Emergency Management Coordinator about the importance of her needing such equipment as a laptop and a cell phone to meet her deadlines, Councilman Armbruster elaborated that they will temporarily move the Council office which has a computer and they can't do anything about a cell phone till after November 1st Budget, since that office has used up the budget money for the year for training. Councilman Weaver will find out if there are any monies in any other line to purchase her a phone.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Chris McKelvey Harwood Lane brought to councils attention that the streetlight on Atlantic Ave behind Produce Junction at the curve has not been replaced since the storm, and he is concerned that it is awfully dark on that dangerous bend. He stated that the pole was replaced

but the light was not, he was asked to get us a pole number and we would forward it to the Police Chief.

Keith Cybulski Van Horn Ave, wanted to know about the bill list for the open space. There was no bill list this meeting and he was advised by Councilman Weaver that it will be provided at the next meeting

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

RESOLUTION R15-140 DISCUSSION REGARDING THE BRAND AVE PROPERTY

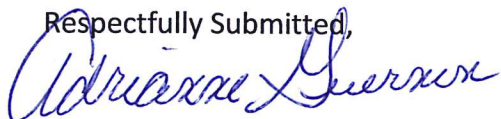
Mayor Busch read by title. Councilman Armbruster motioned to enter executive session at 7:00PM related to the discussion since Leah Furhy was present, for a duration not to exceed 30 minutes, seconded by Councilman Weaver and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

Councilman Weaver motioned to re-enter open session at 7:31PM, seconded by Councilman Armbruster and hearing none opposed, motion was carried.

There was no action taken as a result of executive session.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilwoman Andrews motioned to adjourn at 8:31PM, seconded by Councilman Weaver and hearing no one opposed, motion was carried

Respectfully Submitted,



Adrienne Guernon
Deputy Clerk