

COMMISSIONER WORK SESSION OF JUNE 15, 2015

The Work Session of June 15, 2015 was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in Room 201 and the open public notice announcement was read by the Borough Administrator. In attendance were Mayor Kasko, Commissioner Moscatelli and Commissioner Rochford, the Borough Administrator, the Solicitor and Borough Clerk, as well as a new intern, Kevin DiMedio.

The Open Public Comment period was announced by the Administrator. There were no public comments made.

In response to a resident complaint regarding Ordinance 178, Section 11 for the date and time for garage sales, the Commissioners reviewed the various ordinances that restrict sales on Sundays. Specifically discussed was the timing of sales on Sundays. The current ordinance for garage sales specifically states they are not allowed on Sundays and the Sunday restrictions do not allow for certain types of sales before noon. Commissioner Moscatelli pointed out the various sports organizations have a policy to not have their practices held on Sunday mornings. After additional discussions the Commissioners agreed to remove the Sunday moratorium for sales listed under ordinance 178, but to have them start no earlier than noon. It was also agreed to allow for a religious exemption. Mayor Kasko suggested checking with the surrounding towns for what their ordinance are on Sunday sales, as well as have the Code Book for other Sunday restrictions. The Commissioners decided to discuss this again once this information had been obtained.

The Commissioners then reviewed a General Event Permit Application from the NJ Apartment Association for scavenger hunt in the downtown. The Commissioners agreed to add the approval for the event to the June 23rd meeting agenda.

An updated Mutual Aid Agreement from County was reviewed, which is an update from the 2006 agreement. Both the Police and Fire Departments have reviewed the new agreement and do not have any issues with the changes. The Administrator will have the Department of Public Works (DPW) review the document as well. The Commissioners agreed that if there were no issues from DPW then a resolution could be added to the June 23rd meeting agenda authorizing the agreement.

The Administrator review the 2014 Audit Report with the Commissioners. They agreed to add a resolution to the June 23rd agenda to accept and advertise the audit.

An Interlocal Agreement between the County and the Borough for the Grove Street Project was discussed. The Solicitor advised that the document had been revised regarding the indemnification section. The Commissioners agreed to approve the signing of the agreement at the June 23rd meeting. The Administrator advised that the County had to go back out to bid and is expecting to award the bid for work to start in August. Commissioner Moscatelli noted that the roadwork will not be completed until 2016.

A proposed plan for the five-year road program, which included 2015 roads, was reviewed by Commissioner Moscatelli. He stated that once this is approved it would be placed on our website and provided to both PSE&G and New Jersey American Water. The Commissioners discussed the roads to be done in 2015. Commissioner Moscatelli also noted that he and the Administrator are working on getting the engineer to also work on the 2016 Road Program now so that the work could start earlier in 2016. The Commissioner then reviewed the estimated cost per road. He stated that in 8-10 years the Borough should have all the roads done that are necessary or at or at the end of its life. Mayor Kasko asked if part of the evaluation included the level of traffic per road. The Administrator noted that currently we are mostly dealing with only low to medium traveled streets. She noted that this is being done this way to remove the personal view of what should be done first, which means we only look at the condition of the street. Commissioner Moscatelli noted that none of these roads are getting any better. Commissioner Rochford asked if the utility work would be done at the same time. Commissioner Moscatelli stated that we are working with NJAW on this aspect and noted that Brynmawr Avenue was added because they need to do utilities there. It was also noted that the next step is to get a formal sign-off on the program from NJAW. Then it will give to PSE&G to give them prior notification for planning purposes. Mayor Kasko expressed concerns about some of the work being bunched into a neighborhood, which would make it very difficult for the residents there. Commissioner Moscatelli stated that this was not done on purpose. The Administrator stated that these roads would not all be under construction at the same time. Commissioner Moscatelli also noted the potential issues with the road work to be done in the area of the Little League fields. A brief discussion was held regarding the possibility of removing sidewalks there to widen the road to deal with parking issues. Mayor Kasko noted that this work wouldn't happen until 2018. The various requests for speed humps was also reviewed. The Commissioners were asked if they wanted to put speed humps back on Belmont Avenue and whether or not they wanted to add them on Prospect Avenue. Commissioner Moscatelli pointed out that these speed humps to affect the response time by fire and EMS. The Administrator advised that how close they were spaced and making sure they did not affect any driveways would have to be taken into consideration. No decisions were made at this time. The Commissioners then agreed to approve the five-year road program as it stands now. The Administrator then asked if the Commissioners wanted to put the sidewalk in on the other side of the street on West Atlantic Avenue. No decision was made at this time. The Administrator stated that the spreadsheet would be posted to the website without pricing.

The trash bid results were then reviewed. The Administrator advised that Casworth LLC has been sold to Gold Metal. She stated that the recommendation is for Waste Management for the entire five (5) years for trash only. Gold Metal was cheaper for the first year, but Waste Management is cheaper overall by over \$30,000. Commissioner Rochford asked if there were large differences in these numbers over the previous bids. The Administrator replied that there were increased, but they were reasonable. She noted that when you get into the other services - white goods, recycling, etc. - we do not save much money because we would not be laying employees off because of their other duties. She suggested re-evaluating the recycling pickup in 4-6 months to see if we can do this better. If we outsourced we would not be able to cut costs sufficiently to save money. Mayor Kasko asked if pricing had been obtained for one-armed pickups in

this bid. The administrator replied that they had not. Commissioner Rochford asked if the pickup in the business district remained the same, to which the Administrator replied that it had. The Commissioners then reviewed the current requirements for can size and weight, as well as pickup issues at 607 Haddon Avenue and Marne Avenue. The Commissioners then agreed to award the bid to Waste Management for trash collection only. This award will be added to the June 23rd agenda for the full five (5) years.

The Administrator advised the Commissioners that the DRPA/PATCO employee she has been working with on the Park Lane Properties lawsuit is out and she has been dealing with the assistant, which has caused a delay in obtaining information.

The June 23rd agenda was reviewed. The Schomer Awards were specifically discussed. Mayor Rochford stated that he would get the names of the recipients from the Human Relations Commission. The Administrator reviewed the budget amendments to be made.

Mayor Kasko announced that there were no new updates from the Partnership for Haddonfield, LLC (PfH).

The Commissioners were asked for a date to have the photo shoot for this year's Community Calendar. They agreed to Saturday, June 27th around 9:00 a.m. The Clerk will check with the photographer for her availability.

An excess of vehicles in DPW was discussed. It was not that currently there are six (6) vehicles assigned to the Water and Sewer Department, of which three (3) will go to DPW, 2 can be sold at auction and the Board of Education's Buildings and Grounds Department is asking if one could be sold to them for \$1, which is standard practice. The Commissioners agreed to this distribution of vehicles. The appropriate resolutions will be added to the June 23rd agenda.

The Station Avenue sidewalk issue was updated by Commissioner Rochford. He noted that several years previously there was some interest for sidewalks in that area and there is a renewed interest now. The Commissioners reviewed the possibility of adopting a policy for the installation of sidewalks when requested by residents. After some discussion the Commissioners agreed to send something to those residents affected to get their feedback before making any decisions on the matter. It was agreed that the Administrator would draft a letter.

Commissioner Moscatelli provided an update on the Moore Avenue walking path and right-of-way. He stated that a letter needs to be sent to the Kings Highway resident that we are moving forward. The Solicitor advised that he will have to send to their lawyer if they are represented. The Commissioners discussed whether or not there was legal representation involved and then agreed that the Administrator would send the appropriate letter to the resident.

Commissioner Moscatelli then noted that it seemed that there is a resurgence of speeding and parking in the neighborhood at the Little League field. Commissioner Rochford stated that he has asked the Police Chief to make sure that appropriate signage

is up in that area. He also noted that the parking makes the street narrow, but he didn't feel that there weren't issues. The possibility of displacement parking issues was discussed.

Mayor Kasko then asked for an update on the issues with the wood smoke. The Administrator stated that she had talked to the Mayor in Collingswood, which has recently implements a permit program because they were having issues with illegal burning. The Commissioners then reviewed what types of items were being burned in Haddonfield. The Administrator advised that a public education campaign is necessary. The Commissioners agreed to amend the property ordinance regarding this issue, as well as set up an education class for the resident affected to hold.

Intern Kevin DiMeddio left the meeting at this time.

At 8:48 p.m. Commissioner Moscatelli made a motion to go into closed session to discuss the Methodist Church cemetery fencing litigation, the Miller's litigation to be removed from the historic district, as well as Bancroft negotiations.

The Commissioners returned from closed session at 9:44 p.m., where they had also adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Bennett
Borough Clerk