

Borough Hall  
Westville, N.J.  
February 28, 2007

A regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael K. Galbraith on the above date at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was opened with the customary salute and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The roll was called, and all council members were recorded present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

None.

**REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES:**

The Mayor complimented the Public Works Manager and Department of Public Works for handling the ice storm so well.

On motion by Mrs. Rodgers, seconded by Mr. Pennington, the Reports of the Committees were accepted by unanimous voice vote.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Alan Hirschfeld gave a lengthy report on the progress of the underground storage tank and ground water investigation.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A resolution regarding "Appropriation Reserve Transfers" was on motion by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Mr. Ledrich, approved by unanimous roll call vote.  
(Res. Bk, 18, Pg. 39-07).

A request from the Bible Church of Westville for the use of the Thomas West Park for their Easter Annual Sunrise Service on April 8, 2007 from 6:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. was on motion by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mrs. Rodgers, approved by unanimous roll call vote providing the hold harmless agreement and certificate of insurance are provided.

A discussion was held regarding the appointment of a Redevelopment Counsel. A resolution "Appointing Angelini, Viniar & Freedman, L.L.P. as Redevelopment Counsel for 2007" was on motion by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Mr. Dooley, approved by a vote of 4 ayes, 1 nay, and 1 abstention.

A letter from Freeholder Helen Reed and Freeholder Director Stephen Sweeney requesting an opportunity to explain the County's EMS regionalization concept was discussed. Mr. Sims representing the Fire Company said they were aware of this matter, and they would like to come to the meeting with the county representatives. The county representatives will be invited to the next work session meeting on March 28, 2007.

An agreement with Robert A. Jones, Registered Municipal Accountant for 2007 was discussed. The procedure for obtaining these professionals was outlined by the Administrator and Mayor. On motion by Mr. Pennington, seconded by Mr. Welsh, the agreement was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

An agreement with Parker McCay, Attorneys-at-Law for Bond Counsel for 2007 was on motion by Mr. Ledrich, seconded by Mr. Dooley, approved by unanimous roll call vote.

An agreement with Federici & Akin, P.A. for Engineering Services for 2007 was on motion by Mr. Dooley, seconded by Mr. Welsh, approved by unanimous roll call vote.

#### COMMUNICATIONS:

A letter from PSE&G regarding notification for discontinuance of electric or gas service for Westville residences was discussed. The Clerk will respond requesting notification of any discontinuance of electric or gas service.

A Petition of Appeal for Taxes for Block 9, Lot 24, 445 Woodbine Ave. was received.

#### LIST OF BILLS:

<u>VCH.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
169	E. K. JENKINS PRINTERS CORP.	655.00
170	VOIDED	
171	RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY	7.00
172	SECURE TITLE OF N.J., L.L.C.	955.64
173	WESTVILLE POST OFFICE	303.63
174	CHRISTINE HELDER, PETTY CASH	34.35
175	ASTRO OUTDOOR ADVERTISING	1,615.00
176	AVAYA FINANCIAL SERVICES	39.30
177	BROADWAY ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO.	53.63
178	CARR'S HARDWARE, INC.	59.47
179	DE LAGE LANDEN FINANCIAL SERVICES	899.00
180	DRIVERS LICENSE GUIDE CO.	156.60
181	JANET ESPOSITO	50.00
182	CHARLES A. FIORE	748.09
183	FORD MOTOR CREDIT CO.	743.03
184	GARDEN STATE HIGHWAY PRODUCTS	320.10
185	GATEWAY BOARD OF EDUCATION	303,660.28

186	GLOUCESTER COUNTY TIMES	139.30
187	GLOUCESTER COUNTY POLICE CHIEFS ASSN.	400.00
188	GLOUCESTER COUNTY CLERK'S ASSOCIATION	300.00
189	GLOUCESTER COUNTY MAYOR'S ASSOCIATION	350.00
190	GOODYEAR AUTO SERVICE CENTER	648.00
191	GRAINGER, INC.	94.10
192	GRANTURK EQUIPMENT CO., INC.	68.53
193	DANA HILLMAN	50.00
194	LAWNMOWER PARTS, INC.	17.00
195	LOWE'S BUSINESS ACCOUNT	280.41
196	MUNICIPAL RECORD SERVICE	406.00
197	NASH ENGRAVING	15.00
198	NATIONAL BATTERY CO.	209.90
199	PAYCHEX, INC.	209.06
200	PEDRONI FUEL COMPANY, INC.	3,256.42
201	P.S.E. & G.	7,843.20
202	TIMOTHY D. SCAFFIDI, ESQ.	407.50
203	STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE	168.56
204	TREASURER, STATE OF N.J.	50.00
205	VALLEY NATIONAL GASES, INC.	41.16
206	VITAL SERVICE GROUP	210.81
207	WESTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION	167,616.00
208	WESTVILLE FIRE DISTRICT	48,267.26
209	WOODBURY CEMENT PRODUCTS	12.00
210	VERIZON	1,340.72

**WATER DEPARTMENT**

<u>VCH.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
47	CHRISTINE A. HELDER	420.94
48	CARR'S HARDWARE, INC.	57.77
49	GEORGE S. COYNE CHEMICAL CO.	2,269.48
50	LISA C. DIMEDIO, D.O.	355.00
51	STEVEN M. FINGER	90.00
52	W. W. GRAINGER, INC.	156.02
53	IDEXX DISTRIBUTION CORP.	3,246.55
54	MET LIFE	2,169.96
55	P.S.E. & G.	7,819.37
56	QC LABORATORIES, INC.	190.00
57	RIO SUPPLY, INC.	2,688.00
58	SIEMENS WATER TECHNOLOGY CORP.	161.45
59	S. J. WATER PROFESSIONALS ASSOCIATION	50.00
60	TRICO CREDIT CORPORATION	365.30
61	WATER WORKS SUPPLY CO., INC.	4,078.71
62	HARRY ZIMMER	90.00

63	AMERIHEALTH	28,341.79
64	CHRISTINE A. HELDER, PETTY CASH	473.00

**DOG TAX TRUST**

<u>VCH.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
DTT-2	TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY	45.00

**UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION**

<u>VCH.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
UN-1	N.J. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND	1,476.00

**ESCROW**

<u>VCH.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
E-1	GARY D. THOMPSON, ESQ.	330.00

On motion by Mr. Dooley, seconded by Mrs. Rodgers, the foregoing bills were ordered paid by unanimous roll call vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Jean Pierre of Wildflowers expressed his concerns regarding the roses sold by the Fire Company for Valentine's Day. This matter was discussed at length. The Mayor suggested that the Fire Company and Wildflowers work together in some type of partnership for the future.

Joyce Stein, 41 Edgewater Ave., inquired where the Redevelopment Counsel is located. The Mayor advised that they are located in Woodbury, N.J.

Floss Packer, 530 River Dr., presented Mayor and Council with a letter regarding concerns about a trailer that is parked on the street which transports vehicles to a private garage where repairs take place. The home is located in a residential area where repairs are not permitted. The Housing Official will be asked to inspect this property for violations.

Mary Carol Farrell, 229 Maple Ave., stated that she likes the blue trash cans from RecycleBank.

**COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

Mr. Ledrich advised that Restaurant 99, in Deptford contacted him and would like to sponsor sports teams and become active in community events. He set up a meeting to discuss this matter. He then advised that Parkview School is getting a 9% increase or \$200,000 in school aid. Gateway will receive a 4.5% increase.

Mr. Dooley advised that there will be a Celebration of Public Events meeting on Tuesday, March 6, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed Mr. Baker to Council.

Mrs. Rodgers welcomed Mr. Baker to Council.

The Public Works Manager advised that she has contacted the fireworks company and the amusement company for the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration. She then welcomed Mr. Baker to Council.

The Mayor advised that there will be two newsletters this year, one in April and one in October. He requested that sponsors for the newsletter be sought to help offset the cost. He advised that Assemblyman Roberts is meeting with the Borough this Friday and he requested that any projects the governing body feels is needed be brought to his attention. Mr. Baker suggested infrastructure. This matter was discussed. He then discussed trash can visibility problems in front yards. He suggested that the Ordinance Committee take a good look at the trash ordinance. This matter was discussed.

A resolution regarding an "Executive Session to Discuss Certain Personnel Matters and Purchase/Lease of Property" was on motion by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Mr. Ledrich, approved by unanimous roll call vote. "Res. Bk. 18, Pg. 40-07).

The meeting was recessed at 9:22 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:49 p.m.

The Mayor appointed Michael Shomo as Patrolman 3-4 years effective January 28, 2007. On motion by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Pennington, the appointment was confirmed by unanimous roll call vote.

The Mayor appointed Laura C. Weatherby as Violations Clerk effective March 6, 2007. On motion by Mr. Ledrich, seconded by Mrs. Rodgers, the appointment was confirmed by unanimous roll call vote.

The Administrator recommended that the old hardware store be leased to Dennis Domico for an upholstery business. On motion by Mr. Welsh, seconded by Mr. Ledrich, the Administrator was given permission to enter into an agreement Mr. Domico with the possibility of his buying the property at a later date. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The Mayor discussed an article regarding redevelopment in the Courier Post today. A reporter had questioned whether or not union workers would be used. The Administrator advised that after settlement, the Borough is not responsible for whether or not union workers will be used. That is up to the redeveloper.

Mr. Baker requested an update on the Library. The Mayor discussed in detail the progress of the Library project. The Administrator advised that they cannot go out for bid for anything they do not have the money for. The Mayor appointed a Library Committee consisting of Mr. Pennington as Chairman, Susan Rodgers and George Baker.

With no further business to come before the meeting, a motion to adjourn carried at 10:05 p.m.

**CHRISTINE A. HELDER  
MUNICIPAL CLERK**