

April 14, 2010

The regular meeting of the Riverton Borough Council was held on the above date. Mayor Martin presiding.

PRESENT: Council members Brown, Cairns Wells, Smyth, Kinzler, Myers, and Solicitor Bruce M. Gunn

ABSENT: Council member Katella

The following statement was read by Mayor Martin:

Public notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given by the Municipal Clerk in the following manner:

(a) having written notification of all meetings to be held in 2010 published in the Burlington County Times on December 27, 2009

(b) posting written notice on the official bulletin board on January 6, 2010

GIRL SCOUTS FROM TROOP 24852 IN ATTENDANCE –SARA SMYTH, BRITTNIE BREECE, JULIA CARDUCCI, MADELINE TEICHER, HALEY MYLOTT, AMBER DAVIS, EMILY MYERS AND KATIE KATELLA, WITH LEADERS BRIDGETT BREECE AND BETSEY KEARNEY

The girl scouts read a letter to Council asking them to address their concerns over the bathrooms at the playground, such as keeping the bathrooms unlocked and clean every day, making sure the lights work, and providing ample supplies of soap, paper towels and toilet paper. A discussion took place over maintaining the bathrooms as well as the park. The Public Works Manager stated that he could have his department clean the bathrooms first thing on Monday morning and on Fridays and see how it goes. Ms. Cairns Wells noted that the police have a key to the park bathrooms. On weekends then perhaps the officer on duty for the day shift could stop by and unlock the bathrooms. A suggestion was also made to maybe have the organizations that sign up to use the park, be responsible for the park and bathroom clean-up after they are done.

Mr. Myers commented that he feels we really need to get our Park & Recreation Commission active again. He believes there would be people available to serve on this Commission who would be interested in doing more regarding park maintenance issues.

Mr. Myers announced that there will be a Riverton clean-up day on May 22nd starting at 8:00am at the park. Volunteers are being sought and we might advertise this in the Burlington County Times. Council will be kept informed.

The minutes from March 3 and March 10 were then presented. Mr. Brown moved that these minutes be approved as submitted. This was seconded by Ms. Cairns Wells. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Katella absent, Mr. Brown aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Mr. Smyth aye, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Myers aye.

FINANCIAL ITEMS: Mr. Kinzler

TREASURER'S, FINANCE REPORT & BILL LIST FOR APPROVAL

Mr. Kinzler moved that the reports for the month of April be approved as submitted. This was seconded by Mr. Brown. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Katella absent, Mr. Brown aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Mr. Smyth aye, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Mr. Myers aye.

ORDINANCE 2-10
AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION
LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2010
(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)
(IN FULL IN ORDINANCE BOOK)

The above Ordinance was read by title only for the second time by Mr. Kinzler, who moved for its adoption. This was seconded by Ms. Cairns Wells. At this time Mayor Martin opened this portion of the meeting to the public for any comment on this Ordinance. There being no public comment on this Ordinance, Mayor Martin closed this portion of the meeting to the public. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Katella absent, Mr. Brown aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Mr. Smyth aye, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Myers aye.

ORDINANCE 3-10
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERTON, COUNTY OF
BURLINGTON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO PROVIDE FOR AND
DETERMINE RATES OF COMPENSATION OF EACH OFFICER AND
EMPLOYEE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERTON

The above Ordinance was read by title only for the first time by Mr. Kinzler, who moved for its adoption. This was seconded by Ms. Cairns Wells. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Katella absent, Mr. Brown aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Mr. Smyth aye, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Myers aye. Second reading and a public hearing on the Ordinance is scheduled for May 12th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC SAFETY/CODE ENFORCEMENT/COURT-Mr. Brown

Mr. Brown read a report for the month of March that was submitted by Chief Willis. Vehicle Mileage 2,430, Juvenile Arrests 0, Adult Arrests 10 (Contempt 8, Motor Vehicle 2), Motor Vehicle Accidents 5, Motor Vehicle Stops 110, Motor Vehicle Warnings 4, Motor Vehicle Summonses 103 (Riverton Officers 103), Burglar Alarms 15, Assists to Other Police Departments 33, Animal Complaints 11, Fire Calls 5, Arson 0 Ambulance Calls (Riverton) 16, Unattended Deaths 0, Criminal Cases 1, Incidents 252, Domestic 0 Thefts 0, Shoplifting 0, Burglaries 0, Assaults 0 Sexual Assaults 0, Criminal Mischief 1, Robberies 0, Motor Vehicle Thefts 0, Miscellaneous Calls 234, Total Calls Dispatched-Incidents 252 and Quick 234.

Mr. Brown read a report for the month of March that was submitted by Deputy Fire Chief, Robert Yearly. Fire Calls for the Month 23, Drills 3, Calls in Town 12, and Calls Out of Town 11.

Mr. Brown read a report for the month of March that was submitted by Court Administrator Jackie Gleason. The total receipts for the month amounted to \$7,462.00. The total amount disbursed to Riverton amounted to \$4,022.84.

REVIEW OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE REGULATING OUTSIDE
EMPLOYMENT OF REGULAR POLICE OFFICERS

Mr. Brown asked that Council review this proposed Ordinance for discussion at Council's May meeting. Mr. Gunn informed Council that should they consider passage of this Ordinance, a Uniform Agreement which must be signed by any private contractor employing our police officers must be authorized by Council by Resolution. Mr. Gunn stated that he would forward a draft agreement to Council for their review. Mr. Gunn informed Council that the escrow must be calculated after the private employer provides

an estimate of the hours required of our police officers and whether or not a police vehicle will be utilized.

RESOLUTION 34-10

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A BUSINESS LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE RIVERTON FIRE COMPANY FOR THE FIRE HOUSE, POLICE STATION AND STORAGE AREA
(IN FULL IN RESOLUTION BOOK)**

The above Resolution was read by title only by Mr. Brown, who moved for its adoption. This was seconded by Ms. Cairns Wells. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Katella absent, Mr. Brown aye, Mr. Cairns Wells aye, Mr. Smyth aye, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Myers aye.

RESOLUTION 35-10

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION OF MELISSA BEAVERS AS A MEMBER OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION
(IN FULL IN RESOLUTION BOOK)**

The above Resolution was read by title only by Mr. Brown, who moved for its adoption. This was seconded by Ms. Cairns Wells. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Katella absent, Mr. Brown aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Mr. Smyth aye, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Myers aye.

Mr. Brown reported that we might be receiving a \$500.00 donation from the Lions Club to help defray the costs of a camera system for the Police Department.
**STREETS/SEWER/ECON. DEV./SHARED SERVICES/RECYCLING-Mr. Smyth
REVIEW OF CENTERS OF PLACE GRANT PROJECT**

Mr. Smyth reported that in 2009 the Borough received a \$90,000.00 grant from the Department of Transportation (DOT) for sidewalk upgrades at the following locations: Broad Street: Lippincott to Main, Harrison Street to Main and Lippincott from Harrison to East Broad. ADA ramps are also included. Mr. Smyth reported that the DOT has given us a deadline of September 11, 2010 to award a contract for this project. Mr. Smyth requested that Council authorize Alaimo Associates to move forward expeditiously with this project. Mr. Gunn commented that he should approve the specifications and bid package prior to the Engineer advertising for the project. Council concurred and verbiage to that effect will be included in the authorizing Resolution.

RESOLUTION 36-10

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RICHARD A. ALAIMO ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PREPARE AND ADVERTISE BID SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE CENTERS OF PLACE GRANT
(IN FULL IN RESOLUTION BOOK)**

The above Resolution was read by title only by Mr. Smyth, who moved for its adoption. This was seconded by Ms. Cairns Wells. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Katella absent, Mr. Brown aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Mr. Smyth aye, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Myers aye.

Mr. Smyth publicly thanked the Public Works department for all of their efforts. Mr. Smyth announced that New Jersey Monthly Magazine has listed "Yogawood" as a runner-up in their readers' poll for Best Exercise Studio in the State.

Mr. Smyth reported that the River Route Advisory Committee will be meeting on April.

PLANNING/REDEVELOPMENT-Ms. Cairns Wells

Ms. Cairns Wells reported that the ADA access ramp (for voters) at the school gymnasium entrance has been completed.

Ms. Cairns Wells reminded those present that the school board and budget election will take place at the school on April 20th from 3:00pm until 9:00pm.

Regarding COAH, Ms Cairns Wells reported that our Planner has submitted the Borough's 3rd round requirements for substantive certification.

Ms. Cairns Wells reported that the Planning Board will be discussing their goals and objectives for this year.

ZONING/BD. OF HEALTH/ENVIRONMENTAL-Mr. Katella –No Report

SHADE TREE/PARK& RECREATION-Mr. Myers

**PROCLAMATION-ARBOR DAY
(IN FULL IN RESOLUTION BOOK)**

Councilman Myers read the above Proclamation in full.

Mr. Myers reported that Friendly Tree Service is back in town to complete the removal of specific trees. Mr. Myers reported that there are some sidewalk repairs that they will have to make before Council authorizes any payment to them

Mr. Myers reiterated the fact that there will be a Riverton Clean-Up day on May 22nd.

Regarding our proposed park upgrades, Mr. Myers stated that we would be asking the County for monetary assistance (open space money) to help defray the costs for this project.

Mr. Myers reported that representatives from the Riverton Improvement Association (RIA) would like to come to Council's May 12th meeting to discuss their proposed project of placing a dog park at the park. Given the fact that Council will only have one meeting in May and the agenda will be lengthy, Ms. Cairns Wells asked that they be given a 20 minute time limit. Ms. Cairns Wells also asked that a written proposal be submitted to Council for review prior to the May meeting. Council concurred with Ms. Cairns Wells' suggestions and Mr. Myers will inform the RIA.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Scott Reed asked if the 4th of July Committee has obtained an insurance rider for the Elm Terrace down hill race. Ms. Cairns Wells responded yes.

OLD BUSINESS-None

NEW BUSINESS-None

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Brown read a letter from resident Nancy Hulme thanking Officer Walker for all his help after she locked her keys in her car.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Brown moved that the meeting be adjourned. This was seconded by Ms. Cairns Wells, with all present voting in the affirmative.

Mary Longbottom, RMC
Municipal Clerk

