

April 7, 2010

The work session of the Riverton Borough Council was held on the above date. Mayor Martin presiding.

PRESENT: Council members Katella (arrived at 7:34pm), Brown, Cairns Wells, Smyth, Kinzler, Myers and Solicitor Bruce M. Gunn

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

Review of Change Order No. 1 for the ADA ramp project at the school-Ms. Cairns Wells

Ms. Cairns Wells reported that this change order provides for the removal of one tree and its roots, the installation of additional sidewalk and brick edging. The total amount of this Change Order amounts to \$3,000.00 bringing the adjusted contract total for this project to \$26,295.00.

RESOLUTION 31-10

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER TO THE ADA ACCESS RAMP CONTRACT WITH THURSTON F. RHOADES, INC. (IN FULL IN RESOLUTION BOOK)

The above Resolution was read by title only by Ms. Cairns Wells, who moved for its adoption. 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. Myers aye.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION RESIGNATION AND APPOINTMENT

Mayor Martin announced that Chris Halt had resigned from the Environmental Commission. Mayor Martin announced that he was appointing Mark Jendrzewski to fill Mr. Halt's unexpired term of 12/31/11.

TREASURE DAY ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Martin announced that Treasure Day, which is sponsored by the 4th of July Committee, will be held Saturday, May 8 from 8am until 3pm. The rain date will be May 15th.

2010 BUDGET REVIEW, AUDITOR, ROBERT STEWART, PRESENT

Mr. Kinzler distributed detailed information pertaining to the 2010 municipal budget for Council to review. Mr. Kinzler reported that the Finance Committee recently met to thoroughly review budget issues and how best to offset the loss of \$57,000.00 in state aid without raising taxes. A lengthy discussion then ensued with Council thoroughly reviewing various line items, making adjustments where necessary.

Council also decided that the capital portion of the budget would total \$254,775.00. This includes upgrades to the park in the amount of \$186,875.00 and \$15,000.00 for engineering design and contract administration costs, Police Department-\$25,000.00 for the replacement of the 2001 or 2002 Dodge Durango police vehicle and \$2,900.00 for the replacement of hard drives/ram, monitors and a server, Fire

Department-\$25,000.00 for the replacement of the current 1995 Ford fire vehicle. Council will be borrowing from ourselves as opposed to going out to bond.

Council then reviewed and discussed, once again, the acquisition of auto cart containers for recycling purposes. The Clerk reported that the County is requiring a signed agreement with the Borough as a commitment for this purchase. The agreement amounts to \$24,500.00 for the purchase of 1,000 carts-975 of the 96 gallon size and 25 of the 65 gallon size, which monies shall be paid over a six-year period beginning April 1, 2011. The costs for these carts will come out of recycling funds.

RESOLUTION 32-10

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE ACQUISITION OF AUTO CART CONTAINERS FOR RECYCLING WITH THE BURLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

(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 aye, Mr. Brown aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Mr. Smyth aye, Mr. Kinzler nay and Mr. Myers aye.

RESOLUTION 33-10

**INTRODUCTION OF THE 2010 MUNICIPAL BUDGET
(IN FULL IN RESOLUTION AND MINUTE BOOK)**

The above Resolution was read by title only by Mr. Kinzler, who moved for its adoption. This was seconded by Ms. Cairns Wells. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Katella aye, Mr. Brown aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Mr. Smyth aye, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Myers aye. A public hearing and final adoption for the 2010 Municipal Budget will take place on May 12. A summary of the 2010 Municipal Budget will be published in the April 25th edition of the Burlington County Times. This budget reflects no increase in the Local Municipal Purpose Tax. The Borough's estimated tax rate for 2010 is 0.598. It also reflects a 3% salary increase for all Borough employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement.

Meeting open to the public

Gene Bandine was of the opinion that no raises should be given this year. Mr. Bandine also expressed his displeasure with the decorative decal recently placed on the Borough's newest police vehicle. He doesn't believe it looks Victorian.

Michael Heine, expressed his displeasure with the installation of 4 way stop signs on 4th at Lippincott, Thomas, Linden and Elm. He believes this is inconvenient and an overkill. He urged Council to go back to two way stop signs.

Gene Bandine disagreed with Mr. Heine and commented that for safety reasons, there was a real need for the 4 way stop signs.

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