

April 8, 2015

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

PRESENT: Council members Bianchini, Creighton, Cairns Wells, Kinzler, Corbi and Solicitor Bruce M. Gunn

ABSENT: Council member Azelby

The following statement was read by Mayor Brown:

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 2015 published in the Burlington county Times on December 28, 2014

(b) Forwarding written notification of the 2015 meeting schedule to the Courier Post for informational purposes only on January 6, 2015

Posting written notice on the official bulletin board on January 5, 2015

RESOLUTION 41-2015

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THOMAS RITTERHOFF AS A REGULAR POLICE OFFICER IN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERTON (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. Creighton. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Bianchini aye, Mr. Creighton aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Ms. Azelby absent, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Corbi aye.

At this time Solicitor Bruce M. Gunn administered the Oath of Office to Thomas Ritterhoff as a regular police officer in the Borough of Riverton

The minutes from March 4 and March 11 were then presented. Ms. Cairns Wells moved that these minutes be approved as submitted. This was seconded by Mr. Corbi. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Bianchini aye, Mr. Creighton aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Ms. Azelby absent, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Corbi aye

TREASURER'S, FINANCE REPORT & BILL LIST FOR APPROVAL

Mr. Kinzler moved that the attached reports for the month of March be approved as submitted. This was seconded by Ms. Cairns Wells. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Bianchini aye, Mr. Creighton aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Ms. Azelby absent, Mr. Kinzler aye, and Mr. Corbi aye.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC-There was no public comment at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SHADE TREE/ENVIRONMENTAL/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT-Mr. Bianchini

Mr. Bianchini reported that he has spoken with County representatives about the possibility of formulating an interlocal agreement with them regarding the shade trees along both Main and Broad Streets in Riverton. Mr. Bianchini stated that we are looking for an agreement that would permit us to plant and maintain the trees along these roadways in the Borough. Mr. Bianchini stated that the County had forwarded a sample agreement that they had prepared in the past for Moorestown Township. Mr. Bianchini requested that our Solicitor be asked to prepare a draft agreement for the Borough to present to the County. After a short discussion, it was the consensus of Council to agree to this.

RESOLUTION 42-2015

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH SOLICITOR TO PREPARE AN INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON FOR THE PLANTING AND MAINTENANCE OF SHADE TREES ON COUNTY ROADS IN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERTON (IN FULL IN RESOLUTION BOOK)

The above Resolution was read by title only by Mr. Bianchini, who moved for its adoption. This was seconded by Ms. Cairns Wells. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Bianchini aye, Mr. Creighton aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Ms. Azelby absent, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Corbi aye.

The Environmental Commission is waiting for Barry Emens to assist them with the formulation of the "Green Team" for the potential grant monies for the Sustainable Jersey designation. The Environmental Commission will also be updating the Pompeston Watershed Creek booklet online. They will also be starting an educational aspect regarding the rain garden issue at the school

PARK/PLANNING/REDEVELOPMENT-Mr. Creighton

Mr. Creighton reported that we are trying very hard to keep the maintenance costs down in the park.

Mr. Kinzler, who was not present at last week's meeting, asked for an update regarding the dog park issue. Mr. Creighton responded that Council only gave approval to a number of interested citizens to explore the creation of a dog park in Riverton. Borough Council will review any final proposal prior to any final approval of this project.

Mr. Creighton reported that he still needs to make a written request to the County for a change in the scope of work for our proposed park improvements that will be funded from a County grant.

PUBLIC SAFETY/COURT/CODE ENFORCEMENT

Chief Shaw read the following report for the month of March: Vehicle Mileage 2838, Juvenile Arrests 0, Adult Arrests 15 (Contempt 13, Possession of CDS 1, Hindering 1, DWI 1, Possession of Hypo 1-These figures represent people who were arrested and the charges against them), Motor Vehicle Accidents 2, Motor Vehicle Stops 279, Motor Vehicle Warnings 111, Motor Vehicle Summonses 168 (All Riverton), Alarms 8, Assistance to other Agencies 15, Animal Complaints 7, Fire Calls 7, EMS Calls 16, Unattended Deaths 0, Criminal Cases 21, incidents 362, Domestic 0, Thefts 0, Burglaries 0, Assaults 0, Sexual Assaults 0, Criminal Mischief 0, Robberies 0, Miscellaneous Calls 384, Total Calls Dispatched 746, Incidents 362 and Quick Calls 384.

Ms. Cairns Wells read a report for the month of February that was submitted by Court Administrator Jackie Gleason. The total receipts for the month amounted to \$18,398.00. The total amount disbursed to Riverton amounted to \$9,590.38.

Chief Shaw reported that an Easter egg hunt was held at the park on April 4th and was well attended.

The Police Department is sponsoring a Special Olympics fundraiser dinner at the Orange Blossom Café on May 16.

Ms. Cairns Wells reported that a complaint was filed in Burlington County Superior Court regarding 410 Main Street. This complaint is against Specialized Loan Servicing, Service Link Field Services. This pertains to the fact that 410 Main Street has

been deemed an unsafe structure by the Borough's Construction Official. Council will be kept apprised of this situation.

Ms. Cairns Wells reported that our Plumbing Inspector George Boral will be out for a couple of weeks and we have appointed Steven Rickershauser to serve as Acting Plumbing Inspector in Mr. Boral's absence. Ms. Cairns Wells reported that a question has arisen as to what day these inspections are made. Our website provides information that might not be correct. The Clerk reported that she would run this by our Construction Official so we have accurate information to provide for our residents.

STREETS/SEWER/RECYCLING-Mr. Corbi

Mr. Corbi reported that a couple of new street signs have been ordered and installed. Milling has started on the road where the sewer replacement work will commence. This is on 2nd street between Howard and Cinnaminson Streets. Mr. Corbi and Mr. Rodi met with a sales representative from a State contract sanctioned company regarding the potential purchase of a new dump truck. It looks like we will be able to purchase this vehicle for around \$138,000.00. This is a better price than what was originally anticipated (\$160,000.00). Mr. Corbi reported that the Clerk received a call from Assemblyman Singleton's office informing us that we would be awarded a Department of Transportation road grant in the amount of \$196,000.00 but to date, we have not received written confirmation of this award. Mr. Corbi reported that we are still waiting for delivery of more salt that was previously ordered. The fields behind the grandstand were aerated with the tractor. Fifty-Nine potholes have been filled throughout town. The contractor for the Elm Terrace project has started to complete the work outlined on the punch list. After the Bond Ordinance is finally adopted in May and the required 20 day waiting period has expired, we will go ahead and have Alaimo Associates move forward on engineering work for the 2015 road program.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Mayor reported that the Riverton Historical Society will be holding their Preservation Award Night on April 16, 2015 at 7:00pm at the Riverton Porch Club.

The Mayor reported that the Porch Club of Riverton will be holding the 3rd Paint the Porch Pink Breast Cancer Walk on Sunday, June 7, 2015.

OLD BUSINESS-None

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Bianchini asked Council to consider making some future improvements to the Borough's Sewer Plant to improve the odor situation emanating from the plant. He believes this would be in the best interest of our employees who work at this location. This issue was taken under advisement by Council at this time.

RESOLUTION 43-2015

**A RESOLUTION PERMITTING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A MEETING IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES PER SECTION 8 OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT C.231 P.L. 1975
(IN FULL IN RESOLUTION BOOK)**

The above Resolution was read by title only by Mr. Corbi, who moved for its adoption. This was seconded by Mr. Bianchini, with all present voting in the affirmative. It should be noted that a personnel matter (the potential hiring of an employee for the Public Works Department) will be discussed.

At this time Ms. Cairns Wells moved that we return to public session. This was seconded by Mr. Corbi, with all present voting in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION 44-2015

**A RESOLUTION TO HIRE SCOTT MCKONE AS AN OPERATOR IN THE
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
(IN FULL IN RESOLUTION BOOK)**

The above Resolution was read by title only by Mr. Corbi, who moved for its adoption. This was seconded by Ms. Cairns Wells. A poll vote was then taken. Mr. Bianchini aye, Mr. Creighton aye, Ms. Cairns Wells aye, Ms. Azelby absent, Mr. Kinzler aye and Mr. Corbi aye.

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



Mary Longbottom, RMC
Municipal Clerk