

February 26, 2013

Regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens, held on February 26, 2013.

Mayor Holeman called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Our Country. Please remain standing for a moment of silence for our military.

This meeting has been advertised in one newspaper, The Daily Record, in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act.

ATTENDANCE: Councilwoman Cheatham, Councilwoman Hall, Councilwoman Hedgepath, Councilman Lorenzo, Councilwoman Garcia Montes, Councilman Glass.

ABSENT: None.

Councilwoman Montes said she did not receive a copy of the minutes for 2/12/13. The Clerk said they were in all the packets that went out. Everyone else said they received all the minutes.

Councilwoman Cheatham made a motion to accept the minutes of 2/12/13 as received, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on roll call:

- Councilwoman Cheatham Yes
- Councilwoman Hall Yes
- Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
- Councilman Lorenzo Yes
- Councilwoman Garcia Montes No
- Councilman Glass Yes

Councilwoman Cheatham made a motion to accept the minutes of 2/19/13 as received seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on roll call:

- Councilwoman Cheatham Yes
- Councilwoman Hall Yes
- Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
- Councilman Lorenzo Yes
- Councilwoman Garcia Montes Yes
- Councilman Glass Yes

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter From CFO To Council - Everyone has a copy of Amys letter to the Council regarding some questions they had from the budget meeting.

Motion to accept correspondence as received by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cheatham and approved on roll call:

- Councilwoman Cheatham Yes
- Councilwoman Hall Yes
- Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
- Councilman Lorenzo Yes
- Councilwoman Garcia Montes Yes
- Councilman Glass Yes

VOUCHERS:

Mayor Holeman asked if anyone had questions on the vouchers? Councilwoman Montes said she has a question on # 2052 for Anderson & Denzler. This bill is both ours and the Planning Boards. Planning Board did not approve this bill yet so we shouldn't pay that portion of the bill. I am fine with passing our portion of the bill but not the portion that belongs to the Planning Board. That amount is \$351.00 . The total bill is \$3,875.80 . We can pay the rest but not the part for Planning Board.

Councilwoman Hedgepath asked when the next Planning Board meeting is? Next month the Clerk said. He would have to wait a month to get paid. Councilwoman Montes said the Planning Board meets tomorrow. The Clerk said the Planning Board meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. They met last week.

Councilwoman Hall asked if this is work that has already been performed? Yes. He billed for attending the Reorganization meeting of the Planning Board and he was at that meeting. He also billed for a phone call with Barrie Krause.

Councilwoman Montes said procedure is that the Planning Board approves the bill first and then we pay it. I don't believe we ever did that Councilwoman Hall said. Councilwoman asked the Clerk how we have paid in the past and she said that we always pay the bill. Leon submits his bills to the Mayor and Council. The bills are always given to us together whether they are planning board or not.

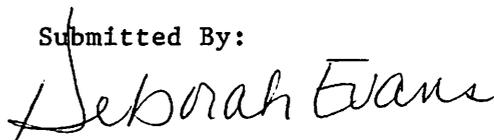
Valerie Williams - I asked the Mayor about the Borough aquatarian. Have you talked to the Attorney and Debbe about it? Not yet. I will. This was a cultural survey that was done through the County and it was completed in 2011. Debbe and Betty signed off on it. It deals with land use, master plan, subdivision, steep slopes. This started in 2008. We also should have ordinances on our books about soil and encroachment. When I get the information I will forward it to the Council.

Joan Cegelka - The Attorney hasn't been here all month. Does he still get paid? Yes, he is on a retainer. He gets paid whether he is here or not. Are you having any more budget workshops? No. The formal budget is what gets introduced when Bill Schroeder brings it to us. When can we ask questions about the budget? March 12 is when we are having the introduction and you can ask Bill your questions. You said you always pay your vouchers even if they are planning board. Yes. Maybe it wasn't done correctly in the past. You are being told the proper way to pay the bills for planning board and some of you aren't doing that. How do you know the men will clean up salt the proper way. How will they clean it up? They sweep up which is what they did yesterday.

Motion to close the meeting to the public by Councilwoman Cheatham, seconded by Councilman Glass and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cheatham and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

Submitted By:



Deborah Evans  
Borough Clerk