

May 27, 2014

Regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens, held on May 27, 2014.

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 Cegelka, Councilwoman Cheatham (arrived @ 6:03 p.m.), Councilman Glass, Councilman Lorenzo, Councilwoman Garcia Montes.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Hedgepath and Attorney Feintuch.

Motion to accept the minutes of May 13, 2014 as received by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cegelka and approved on verbal vote. Councilman Lorenzo abstained.

Motion to accept the minutes of May 20, 2014 as received by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cegelka and approved on verbal vote. Councilman Lorenzo abstained.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Note from Leon Hall Engineer - I will be out of the Country on vacation from May 18, 2014 until May 31, 2014.

Motion to accept correspondence as received by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cegelka and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

VOUCHERS:

Councilwoman Cegelka said she had a question on the voucher for JD Automotive. It says that they inspected the vehicle while they had it. It was due in March for inspection how come it took so long for them to get it inspected? The Mayor said he would have to ask the DPW.

Are the men still doing the log? Yes, Eddie brought in two today. Are there any other ones? I don't know. Lorenza kept them as they brought them in and I haven't had time to look and see where they are. We have been looking - we just haven't found them yet.

No other questions on the vouchers. Motion was made to approve the vouchers for payment by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cheatham and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cegelka	Yes
Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Abstain
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

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VOUCHER REPORTS

MONTH OF

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DATE	VOUCHER #	PAYABLE TO:	TYPE OF SERVICE	ACCT.#	AMOUNT	CHECK#	DATE
5/27/14	5-029	Gloub Animal Hosp.	Dog OE		\$ 160.00		
5/27/14	5-030	Daily Record	Clerk OE		\$ 8.32		
5/27/14	5-031	Home Depot	Buildings & Grounds		\$ 40.71		
5/27/14	5-032	Verizon	Utilities		\$ 190.65		
5/27/14	5-033	NJNG	Utilities		\$ 930.00		
5/27/14	5-034	Deborah Evans	Clerk OE		\$ 50.00		
5/27/14	5-035	J.D. AUTOMOTIVE	Road OE		\$ 833.91		
5/27/14	5-036	Home Depot	Buildings & Grounds		\$ 52.98		
5/27/14	5-037	Verizon	Utilities		\$ 66.48		
5/27/14	5-038	Optimum / Cablevision	Clerk OE		\$ 3.95		
5/27/14	5-039	Henry O. Baker Ins. Grp.	Other Insurance		\$6,135.00		
5/27/14	5-040	Verizon	Utilities		\$ 394.96		
5/27/14	5-041	JCP&L	Street Lighting		\$ 687.77		
5/27/14	5-042	AmeriHealth	Group Insurance		\$8,068.84		
5/27/14	5-043	JCP&L	Fire OE		\$ 120.50		
5/27/14	5-044	JCP&L	Utilities		\$ 296.40		
5/27/14	5-045	Dover Municipal Court	Muni Court Dover		\$2,771.16		
5/27/14	5-046	Deborah Devery	Admin S& W		\$ 594.00		
5/27/14	5-047	Hector Lorenzo	Road OE		\$1,369.28		
5/27/14	5-048	Eddie Martinez	Road OE		\$2,346.96		
5/27/14	5-049	Deborah Evans	Clerk OE		\$ 97.29		
5/27/14	5-050	AT&T	Utilities		\$ 44.45		
5/27/14	5-051	Dover American Legion	Donation Memorial Service		\$ 100.00		
TOTAL					\$25,363.61		

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

BUILDING INSPECTOR - 4 permits issued for a total value of construction of:
\$11,300.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE - Everyone has a copy of the report from Debbie. Council asked that in the report they would like to have what the violations were and the address. No names of owners. Total the number of letters that went out and what the results were. Addresses not necessary.

TAX COLLECTOR - Total Tax Receipts Month to Date: 55,595.10
Year to Date: 470,542.31

REGISTRAR - One marriage license issued for total collected: \$28.00

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Cegelka - The electrician did start today on the work in the garage. I am waiting on the company to call me back and let me know when they are coming to do the door at the firehouse. I received correspondence from the BOH on the emergency preparedness meeting. They gave me a few dates of June 9, 11, & 18. The 18th we can't because there is a Planning Board meeting. So we either can do June 9 or 11. Council decided on June 9 at 6 p.m. which will be a Monday. Joan will check with the person giving the presentation and see if this date and time will work for her. Joan believes that they take care of the advertising.

Councilwoman Cheatham - No report at this time.

Councilman Glass - No report at this time.

Councilman Lorenzo - No report at this time.

Councilwoman Garcia Montes - I was speaking from someone from Morris County Housing. I spoke to Debbe about doing a flier for a Free Dental Mobile Unit that will be held on Bennett Avenue in Randolph from the Zufall Clinic. People will have to call for an appointment. It is free to anyone in Victory Gardens for those that don't have insurance. They will do xrays, cleanings, fillings, etc. It is suppose to be June 7. Councilwoman Montes said she will get the flier to us so we can get it out to our residents.

Motion to accept and put on file all reports by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Glass and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

Mayor Holeman said as far as the firehouse goes he and Councilman Glass went up there. We looked at the doors and they are rusted. Our guys will have to sand it down and repaint them. Councilman Glass said he thinks it is too much work for our men to do. You will have to sand them, fiberglass them and then paint them. Which doors are these? The ones for the ladies bathroom. Councilman Glass doesn't see anything wrong with the doors that are currently there. We will look at them again tonight.

NEW BUSINESS:

INTRODUCTION OF LIQUOR LICENSE FEES ORDINANCE - The Clerk said at the last meeting we talked about raising the fees for the liquor licenses. Council asked me to have the Attorney draw up a new fee schedule/ordinance and everyone has a copy of that.

After discussion Council wants to not charge the same amount for Lakeland Liquors as they do for the ShowPlace. The Attorney called the ABC and they gave him the percentages you are allowed to raise the fees. That is when he did the ordinance. You can hold off until the Attorney comes back and have him redo this so they aren't being charged the same amount. Council will table this until the Attorney comes back.

OLD BUSINESS:

SURVEY FOR SHOWPLACE - Several meetings ago we talked about this. Leon said it would cost the Borough \$650 to have 3 markers set to find the town right of way in front of the ShowPlace. The reason this needed to be done is so that when the improvements are made to Franklin Road/South Salem Street intersection, we will be able to have the County include in the project doing something with the vehicles that come right onto Franklin Road from the ShowPlace parking lot.

When the County Engineer was here on the 20th of May, they told us they can include the work as part of the project, but the actual paying of the survey would have to be borne by the Borough.

Council said we should wait on this until something comes out of the discussions. The Clerk said she thought the County told us to get it done because without it being done they can't include anything in the scope of work.

What improvements are they going to make over there? Something to stop the patrons from coming right out onto Franklin Road from the parking lot. They will have a designated driveway. If we don't get the survey done they won't know where the towns right of way is. If part of the ShowPlace parking area is in the towns right of way then we can have the County make the changes without permission from the owners of the ShowPlace. If it isn't in our right of way then we have to ask permission to make the improvements. We thought initially that the County would reimburse us the \$650 when we got the survey done. When we met with them on the 20th of May they said no. They would not reimburse the money. They would do the improvements - that would be part of the contract for the intersection but they will not give us back the \$650 for the survey. That is a cost that the Borough has to pay. That is why I had to check and make it clear who was paying for that. So, this is why we have it before the Council tonight so if you want you can make a motion and have Leon have the company start the work.

Motion was made to have Behre Associates, P.C. to set 3 property markers at the cost of \$650.00 for the corners along Franklin Road in front of the ShowPlace. Motion made by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cheatham and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cegelka	Yes
Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

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

Jim Janone - Regarding property maintenance reports you should include how many people went to court and what the fines were. For the emergency preparedness meeting since the whole Council will be here will that meeting be advertised. It depends on how they are here. If it isn't a meeting we don't have to. How do other towns get the fees for liquor licenses? The County does want the survey done before the improvements to Franklin Road and Salem Steet are done. Will there be steel markers? The Clerk said there is no mapping. Markers will be iron pin, spike, Mag nail, or similiar.

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

Mayor Holeman said there is one other thing he wants to mention. I received a call from the firemen and they wanted us to know we have mice at the firehouse. The Clerk she had Eddie set traps. Also, there is a leak in one of the bays. It is coming from one of the heaters. We have to get someone up there to fix that.

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

Submitted By:

Deborah Evans

Deborah Evans
Borough Clerk