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November 25, 2014

Regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens held on November 25, 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, Councilman Glass, Councilwoman Hedgepath, Councilwoman Garcia Montes.

Attorney Feintuch arrived at 6:05 p.m..

ABSENT: Councilman Lorenzo.

Motion to accept the minutes of November 18, 2014 as received by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cheatham and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Valerie Williams - Everyone was given a copy of the letter I received today from Valerie. I didn't know if she gave everyone on the list a copy so I copied it for the Mayor and Council. It was addressed to Mayor and Council, Planning Board members, Zoning Officer, Planning Board Secretary, Borough Construction. I put a copy of the letter on Barries desk for her Board.

Anderson & Denzler - I received a letter from Leon Hall addressed to Mark Paving - As you know, there was a trickle of water coming out of the bank, behind the new curb at 131 Monroe Avenue. This flow was first reported to myself on 10-29-14. On 10-31-14 Dover Water investigated and we were told it was ok to pave the road. On 11-4-14 Dover Water informed me and yourself that there may be a leak at or near the water meter immediately adjacent to the dwelling. On 11-6-14 and 11-12-14 I inspected the area and there was no water at the surface observed and Dover Water said paving could occur and did on 11-14-14. This morning, 11-19-14 I received a call from the owner of 131 Monroe Avenue stating that water had flowed over the curb and an area of ice has formed. Please immediately contact Dover Water to coordinate further investigation to resolve this situation. Until the matter is resolved, the Owner can not authorize full payment.

Councilwoman Cegelka asked what this letter from Valerie Williams is all about? I don't know the Clerk said. It has something to do with the Planning Board and an action they took at their meeting. Why did we get it? It said to Mayor and Council. So I gave everyone a copy. I didn't know if she gave it to everyone. Are we suppose to do anything with this? I don't know. Councilwoman Montes said then she should be writing to the Planning Board. I gave Barrie a copy.

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

VOUCHERS:

Councilwoman Cegelka asked about 11050? Go Daddy for Amy Maronpot? Amy paid this bill for us with her credit card and we are reimbursing her. This is for the rights to the Borough name. We pay this every year. There were no other questions on the vouchers.

Motion to pay the vouchers by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on roll call:

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

(See Vouchers Next Page)

Date	Voucher #	Payable to:	Type of Service	Acct. #	Amount
11/25/14	11-030	The Hartford	Other Insurance		\$ 8,352.00
11/25/14	11-031	AmeriHealth Ins. Co.	Group Insurance		\$ 4,047.58
11/25/14	11-032	DeVito Roofing	Bldgs. & Grnds. OE		\$ 1,411.00
11/25/14	11-033	US Bank Global Corp.	Redemption		\$ 325.35
11/25/14	11-034	Horizon Blue Cross Bl Shild	Group Insurance		\$ 704.67
11/25/14	11-035	Golub Animal Hosp.	Dog OE		\$ 160.00
11/25/14	11-036	Adams Fire Protection	Fire OE		\$ 200.00
11/25/14	11-037	Training Unlimited, LLC	Clerk OE		\$ 129.00
11/25/14	11-038	Lorraine Benderoth	Tax Collector OE		\$ 50.00
11/25/14	11-039	JCP&L	Utilities		\$ 310.31
11/25/14	11-040	JCP&L	Street Lighting		\$ 677.54
11/25/14	11-041	JCP&L	Fire OE		\$ 51.74
11/25/14	11-042	Verizon	Fire OE		\$ 98.47
11/25/14	11-043	Verizon	Utilities		\$ 197.82
11/25/14	11-044	NAPA Auto Parts	Road OE		\$ 477.94
11/25/14	11-045	CarQuest - Auto Parts	Road OE		\$ 109.99
11/25/14	11-046	Optimum	Clerk OE		\$ 4.11
11/25/14	11-047	Deborah Devery	Clerk SW		\$ 672.00
11/25/14	11-048	Hector Lorenzo	Streets & Roads SW		\$ 1,244.80
11/25/14	11-049	Edwardo Martinez	Streets & Roads SW		\$ 2,133.60
11/25/14	11-050	Amy Maronpot (GoDaddy)	Clerk OE		\$ 30.34
TOTAL					\$ 21,388.26

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Building Department - 9 permits issued for a total collected of \$37,478.

Property Maintenance - Everyone has a copy of the report.

Municipal Court - We received \$1,196.42

Tax Collector - Total Tax Receipts Month to Date: \$ 74,150.00
 Total Tax Receipts Year to Date: 1,437,787.40

Registrar - No marriage license issued for the month of November to the 25th.

Finance Officer - Everyone has a copy of Amys report. Councilwoman Montes said the amount for recreation is wrong. The balance is wrong. We took out 1,700 for the Christmas party. Yes, that is correct. This report goes until the end of October. The deduction for the Christmas Party will show on the next report because that money wasn't given out until November. The next report will show the balance as \$360.00 unless there is money that you give back from the Christmas Party.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Cegelka - I have the quotes for the electrical. At the last meeting we spoke about a plaque for Mrs. Bly. I went to TJs Trophy and found one. I will pass the picture around and the saying for everyone to see. The cost will be \$81.75 . Also, we were thinking that maybe in the Spring give this to her and maybe have a dinner for her. Everyone will pay their own dinner fee but we could chip in for Mrs. Bly and her daughter and son in law. We could open it to the residents but they would have to pay up front for their dinner. That would be nice.

Motion was made to have the plaque made for Mrs. Bly at a charge of \$81.75. Motion made by Councilwoman Cegelka, seconded by Councilwoman Montes and approved on roll call:

- Councilwoman Cegelka Yes
- Councilwoman Cheatham Yes
- Councilman Glass Yes
- Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
- Councilwoman Garcia Montes Yes

COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUED:

Councilwoman Cheatham - We still need to get Debbie and Barrie on the internet. we have 4 lines free and we need 2 more lines. We will have to pay monthly charges and installation for those two extra lines. The cost is \$59.99 per connection plus a one time charge of \$46.95. Cablevision will give you a router. That is not what they told us. After a much heated discussion on the computers it was decided that the Borough will go with Go Daddy at a cost of \$185.00 for a 2 year contract for the hosting and registration. We have a voucher in tonight for \$30.34 for Amy Maronpot. She paid on her credit card this money to Go Daddy for the domain name. The Clerk will check with Amy tomorrow to see if she will cover the remaining cost for the 2 year contract with Go Daddy for the hosting and registration. This way we won't need to go with Scott Alexander and Marketing Enablement.

Motion was made to change voucher # 11-050 to \$185.00 for Amy Maronpot. This will cover the cost of hosting and registration with Go Daddy for 2 years. If Amy agrees to charge this to her card she will be reimbursed the total amount. Motion made by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Cegelka and approved on roll call:

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

Councilman Glass - No report.

Councilwoman Hedgepath - Community Development had a meeting this was regarding voting by proxy. There is extra money for housing and services.

Councilwoman Montes - The Christmas Party will be scheduled for either December 13th or 20th. Councilwoman Montes will let us know what date she decides on. The time will be from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the firehouse. Residents will have to bring a form of identification either a license with their name and address and/or a bill. This will show proof of residency.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

MEETING OF DECEMBER 23, 2014 - Are we going to have this meeting? The Mayor said that in the past we have not had this meeting. What would Council like to do? Councilwoman Cegelka said we should have the meeting. You don't have a true audit if you don't have the last meeting. Your December bills are paid in January. You will have around \$34,000 in bills carried over into January. The Clerk said we always have December bills that come through in January. You won't have that many Councilwoman Cegelka said. Councilwoman Montes said that she does the Christmas Party and that takes alot out of her. All of our bills are always paid on time.

Motion was made for only one meeting in December and to skip the December 23, 2014 meeting. Motion made by Councilwoman Hedgepath, seconded by Councilwoman Montes and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cegelka	No
Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

INTRODUCTION OF THE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE UPDATE - Everyone has a copy of this update. This is an update to the current code. Most of this talks about the vacated properties, abandoned properties, foreclosed properties. There are heavy fines for not maintaining property. Banks also have to give us a name, phone number and address for an in State representative.

Motion to introduce the Ordinance by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilwoman Hedgepath and approved on roll call:

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

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NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

RESOLUTION FOR CANCELLATION OF UNEXPENDED BALANCES -

**Borough of Victory Gardens
CANCELLATION OF UNEXPENDED BALANCES OF
IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS
Resolution #**

WHEREAS the Borough of Victory Gardens did adopt Ordinances for Capital purchases in prior years;

AND WHEREAS the following list are the Ordinances previously funded by the Capital Improvement fund

AND WHEREAS all purchases and agreements for those Ordinances have been completed and there remain unexpended balances;

Ordinance Number	Description	Original Appropriation	Unexpended Balance
03/22/1989	Purchase of two trucks	\$62,000.00	\$20,481.13
03/14/1990	Purchase of Firefighter's Breathing Apparatus/New Telephone sys	\$10,000.00	\$640.05
03/27/1991	Purchase Firefighter's Equipment	\$8,000.00	\$2,170.24
04/10/1991	Paving of Franklin Rd	\$15,000.00	\$14,986.36
09/23/2003	Purchase of a Pick up Truck	\$40,000.00	\$888.00
05/25/2004	Repair Storm Drains, Franklin Rd and Washington Avenue	\$15,000.00	\$2,526.25
07/26/2005	Purchase of a Bucket Loader	\$40,000.00	\$3,650.00
Total to cancel to CIF			\$45,342.03

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of Victory Gardens that the unexpended balance of the above listed Ordinances be cancelled to the Capital Improvement Fund.

I HEREBY CERTIFY the above to be a true copy of a Resolution Adopted by the Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens at a duly convened Meeting held on November 25, 2014.


Deborah Evans
Municipal Clerk

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

RESOLUTION FOR CANCELLATION OF UNEXPENDED BALANCES CONTINUED -

Motion on the resolution by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Glass and approved on roll call:

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

OLD BUSINESS:

WEBSITE DISCUSSION - This was done earlier in the meeting.

AUTOMATIC DOORS FOR BOROUGH HALL - Councilwoman Cegelka said as Council requested she sent the work for the electrical to Door Jockey and asked him to look it over to see if it covered everything he needed done for the doors. He said that the electrical work appears to be okay. We have to award the bid for electrical work. The two estimates for the electrical work were as follows:

1. Esposito's Electric \$1,475.00
2. Alarms & Electric By Russ, LLC 950.00

Motion was made to award the contract to Alarms & Electric by Russ, LLC. in the amount of \$950.00 . Motion made by Councilman Glass, seconded by Councilwoman Montes and approved on roll call:

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

Motion was made to have the Clerk call the contractors to start work. Motion made by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Glass and approved on roll call:

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

The Clerk said she has to give this to Amy and make sure the money is there. I stated this at the last meeting.

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

Jim Janone - Voucher 11-050 for Go Daddy registration. This is for two years not one. When you were talking about the internet lines you said you needed additional lines for Barrie and Debbie. You don't need a router you need a switch. The switch plugs into the router and you don't need to go through optimum. You can get it at Walmart. This will not impede the speed. You don't have to get in touch with Optimum.

When you talked about Scott he said he was charging to transfer the website. His contract was vague. There was nothing that said at the end of the contract you had to pay x amount of money. You met your obligation to him. You owe him nothing and he owes you nothing.

Pot hole on Franklin Road is worse. All the gravel is now out of the hole. It is very deep. It will get worse. The County will not fix it. Please take a vote to have the maintenance men fix this pothole. The Mayor said if our men do it we need the Police out there with them. The Mayor said he will call the Lt. at the State Police.

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

Motion was made by Councilwoman Montes to get the pothole fixed and see if we can get the State Police here while it is being repaired. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Cegelka and approved on roll call:

- Councilwoman Cegelka Yes
- Councilwoman Cheatham Yes
- Councilman Glass Yes
- Councilwoman Hedgepath Yes
- Councilwoman Garcia Montes Yes

Councilwoman Cegelka asked if we ever got a report from Leon about the drain in our parking lot? No.

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

Submitted By:
Deborah Evans

Deborah Evans
Borough Clerk