

January 12, 2016

Regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens, held on January 12, 2016.

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 Meetings Act.

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

ABSENT: None

Attorney Feintuch was also present at this meeting.

Motion to accept the minutes of 12/8/15 as received by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Jacobus and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

Motion to accept the minutes of 1/5/16 as received by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Lorenzo and approved on verbal vote. None opposed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

RVRSAs We received a check from RVRSAs for Jersey City deficiency for April to August 2015 in the amount of \$4,854.10 •

James Janene Letter to Mayor and Council - Please be advised that I am formally requesting to be re-appointed to the Planning Board since you have 3 vacancies on the 9 member board.

JCP & L They will be in starting January 4, 2016 with their helicopter to inspect the lines. It will take approximately 3 to 4 weeks depending on the weather.

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

VOUCHERS:

Councilwoman Montes had a question not related to vouchers. Were you aware that the fire department/rescue was involved in an accident with our ambulance? I wasn't aware of that. Also, I had said we need a new door at the firehouse. We don't. We only need a lock on the door. Councilman Glass asked if it would be to code if we just put a lock on the door? This door is in the furnace room. No one goes in or out that door.

The Mayor asked Council if they are okay with purchasing a lock for the door? Council agreed to get lock. Motion made by Councilman Jacobus, seconded by Councilwoman Montes and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Jacobus	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

The Mayor asked if there were any questions on the vouchers? Hearing none a motion was made to accept the vouchers by Councilman Glass, seconded by Councilwoman Montes and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Jacobus	Yes
Councilman Lorenzo	Yes
Councilwoman Garcia Montes	Yes

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NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING A PACO OFFICER - This doesn't require a vote. The Mayor designated himself. It is to make sure that this body is in compliance with what the Department of Treasury wants done.

GOLUB ANIMAL HOSPITAL CONTRACT FOR DOGS AND CATS This is the same amount as last year. Everyone was given a copy of the contract.

Motion to approve the contract with Golub Animal for the year 2016. Motion made by Councilman Jacobus, seconded by Councilwoman Montes and approved on roll call:

Councilwoman Cheatham	Yes
Councilman Glass	Yes
Councilwoman Hedgepath	Yes
Councilman Jacobus	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 - The door at the firehouse, I would suggest you check with your fire marshall about the lock on the door before you do anything. Fire code is very strict about these things. Also, if you look at your agreement with Dover, I believe the responsibility of the vehicles is on them. They are now their vehicles. Also, there should be an annual report from Dover from the Fire Department/ Rescue. There is suppose to be a meeting twice a year with a report. I will look over the agreement and let you know. The last thing is the Verizon bill. It is expensive. You should call Verizon and see if they can give you anything for unlimited calls or a plan. The Attorney said to ask for a Sales Rep and talk to them. The Mayor said he would talk to Dover about the fire department and rescue and he would get back to Jim.

Joan Cegelka - Who is in charge of our website? Debbie does all the input to the company. Then they put it on the site. I am suppose to be getting enotices for new messages and I am not getting them. I can have Debbie check tomorrow. When are you getting emails for the Council? Council said they didn't want them. It is our personal choice. Councilwoman Montes said she has an open door policy and everyone has her phone number so people can get in touch with her. I don't use email. They would be a lot better. Joan said she sends a lot of things through email at night - after 11 p.m.. Councilwoman Montes said she has someone that calls her several times a day and night. She always talks to her.

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

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

Submitted By,

Deborah Evans
Borough Clerk

**** Change on Voucher # 051 for AT&T from \$96.11 to \$4.12 • Total amount changed from \$181,458.13 to \$186,419.70 • This is because the first three vouchers on the list were not added in. This change was done by the Chief Financial Officer.