

Regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens held on November 26, 2024.

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: Councilman Suarez, Councilman Glass, Councilwoman Hedgepath, Councilman Hale, Councilwoman Garcia Montes.

ABSENT: Councilman Lorenzo.

\*\*\* Attorney Feintuch was also present at this meeting.

Motion to accept the minutes of 11/12/24 as received by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Glass and approved on verbal vote. Councilwoman Hedgepath abstained as she was not present for the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

VOUCHERS:

The Mayor asked if there were any questions on the vouchers? Councilman Suarez said that the voucher for Ideal Air says for labor and parts but it doesn't say what it was for. The Clerk will check with Letty and have it itemized. Also, the fuel is short. There aren't enough receipts for the amount on the voucher. Letty perhaps didn't attach them all. I will have her do it tomorrow. The bill does have to be paid because if they don't get it on time they are quick to not let you use the card.

Motion was made to pay the bills by Councilman Suarez, seconded by Councilwoman Montes and approved on roll call:

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| Councilman Suarez          | Yes |
| Councilman Glass           | Yes |
| Councilwoman Hedgepath     | Yes |
| Councilman Hale            | Yes |
| Councilwoman Garcia Montes | Yes |

**Voucher Reports  
Mayor and Board Council Meeting  
November 26, 2024**

| Voucher # | Payable to:                   | Type of Service      | Amount      | Check # |
|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|---------|
| 11-28     | Advanced Auto Parts           | Bldgs & Grounds      | \$ 327.92   |         |
| 11-29     | Amsterdam Printng             | Clerk OE             | 91.94       |         |
| 11-30     | Atlas Mechanical Services LLC | Fire OE              | 197.95      |         |
| 11-31     | Ideal Air Inc                 | Bldgs & Grounds      | \$ 425.00   |         |
| 11-32     | Interstate Waste Services     | Trash Removal        | 25639.22    |         |
| 11-33     | JCPL Borough Hall             | Utilities            | 458.17      |         |
| 11-34     | JCPL Fire House               | Fire OE              | \$ 91.43    |         |
| 11-35     | JCPL Street Lights            | Street Lights        | \$ 755.06   |         |
| 11-36     | Leticia Diaz                  | Clerk OE             | \$ 653.00   |         |
| 11-37     | Morris County MUA             | Road OE              | \$ 558.00   |         |
| 11-38     | Optimum -Borough Hall         | Clerk OE             | \$ 232.45   |         |
| 11-39     | Sunnyside Florist             | Clerk OE             | \$ 90.00    |         |
| 11-40     | Wex bank Fuel Purchase        | Road OE              | \$ 447.18   |         |
| 11-41     | Workin Wear                   | Streets and Roads    | \$ 500.00   |         |
| 11-42     | Hector Lorenzo                | Streets and Roads SW | \$ 2,377.60 |         |
| 11-43     | Leticia Diaz                  | Clerk SW             | \$ 1,872.00 |         |
| 11-43     | Manny Venereo                 | Streets and Roads SW | \$ 2,040.00 |         |

**TOTAL VOUCHERS \$ 36,756.92**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

BUILDING DEPARTMENT 1 permit issued. Total value of construction \$8,470.00

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE - Everyone has a copy of the report

MUNICIPAL COURT - We received \$28.00 from the court

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Glass said we had no bids on the leaf vacuum. We did not sell it. We had it for \$4,000. Councilwoman Montes said maybe we should drop the price to \$2,500.

Motion was made to rescind the existing bid and readvertise for the bid at \$2,500. Motion made by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Suarez and approved on roll call:

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|----------------------------|-----|
| Councilman Suarez          | Yes |
| Councilman Glass           | No  |
| Councilwoman Hedgepath     | Yes |
| Councilman Hale            | Yes |
| Councilwoman Garcia Montes | Yes |

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

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE FROM ALONZOS STEAKHOUSE TO SOUTH SALEM REALTY -

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RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF LIQUOR  
LICENSE FOR SOUTH SALEM REALTY

WHEREAS, the herein below names have duly filed an application for renewal of their liquor license for their respective premises as shown for the year 2024-25, and

WHEREAS, no objections have been received from the public, and

WHEREAS, the required fees have been paid and all premises have been inspected and approved except as otherwise stated, by the Board of Health and the Bureau of Fire Prevention; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens that the said application be approved, and that the respective license be granted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in those cases where the inspectors of the different agencies of the Borough of Victory Gardens have found violations, the licensee shall comply and correct said violations within the time specified in the report by the various agencies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue license/certificate accordingly.

PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE

1437-33-002-003 SOUTH SALEM REALTY T/A MARGARITA BAR & GRILL  
330 South Salem Street  
Victory Gardens, N.J. 07801

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Mayor, David L. Holeman, Jr.

11-26-24  
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Date Adopted

ATTEST:

Deborah Evans  
Deborah Evans, Borough Clerk

I, Deborah Evans, hereby certify that this is a true and exact copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Victory Gardens, at a meeting held on 11-26-24.

Deborah Evans  
Deborah Evans, Borough Clerk

Special Conditions: HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday thru Thursday 8 a.m. until 11:00 p.m.

Friday thru Sunday 8 a.m. until 12 midnight

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE FOR SOUTH SALEM REALTY -

Motion was made to approve the transfer of the liquor license from Alonzos Steakhouse to South Salem realty. Motion made by Councilwoman Montes, seconded by Councilman Suarez and approved on roll call:

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| Councilman Suarez          | Yes |
| Councilman Glass           | Yes |
| Councilwoman Hedgepath     | Yes |
| Councilman Hale            | 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.

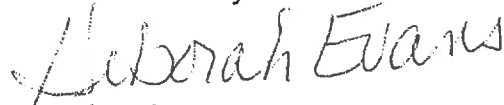
Jim Janone - Has anyone noticed the phone cracking when you call town hall? No. We hear okay when someone calls and we haven't had any complaints about any noise in the line. No one on Council heard anything either. Does our Council go to classes? I noticed other towns send their Councils to classes. We don't. They have the opportunity to go but there aren't many classes offered and the ones that are, are during the day. I've asked many times over if they wish to go but no one ever said yes. The new company that took over the Farmers Market has really done a nice job of cleaning the area up. Do you know what was going on across the street at the Plaza? They had concrete saws going. They were redoing the parking area and the sidewalk. They didn't do it right and Leon told them it had to be ripped up and redone. Will the new place that is taking over Alonzos, will they have drinking and dancing? It will be the same as Alonzos. We do have special conditions on their license and they are only opened certain hours. Once we see how they operate if they need to change the hours they will come to Planning Board to see if they can be changed. Was there a letter given to us by Senator Bucco regarding State Aid? Yes. We are doing the Resolution at our next meeting.

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

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

Mayor Holeman wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Submitted By:



Deborah Evans  
Borough Clerk