

Merchantville, NJ

February 23, 2004

A regular meeting of Borough Council was held at 7:30 PM, Monday, February 23, 2004.

Mayor Patrick J. Brennan presided.

Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Prayer were observed.

Announcement was made that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the "Open Public Meetings Act".

ROLL CALL:

Council Present: North, Zeiders, Pagano, Alloway, Madden and Finnegan

Council Absent: None

Solicitor Higgins and Borough Clerk Thomas were present.

PUBLIC:

Gail Ford, 135 North Centre Street, clarified that the Borough paid \$2,500 to the Borough of Oaklyn for a Pelican Street Sweeper replacing the Elgin model, which was sold last year. Would the Borough or Board of Education be receiving Verizon Aid this year? **Mayor Brennan** stated that there would be a 2.5% increase in State Aid.

John Smiley, 128 Woodlawn Avenue, stated that there was a great increase in the volume of traffic thru the circle. Could the traffic exiting the CVS lot onto Centre Street be permitted to turn left during certain hours? **Mayor Brennan** replied that there was a sign previously and motorists ignored which in turn endangered the students. **Mr. North** agreed that congestion is a problem however the current traffic pattern is in the best interest of the children.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

TRANSFER RESOLUTION: On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. North, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

R04-27

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS IN THE CURRENT FUND ACCOUNT

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make the following ledger transfers in the "Current Fund" Account:

FROM:

LANDFILL/ SOLID WASTE DISP COST -	
DUMP CONTRACT (3-01-32-837-251)	<u>10,000.00</u>
	\$10,000.00

TO:

UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE O/E	
THIRD PARTY INSPECTIONS (3-01-22-725-253)	<u>10,000.00</u>
	\$10,000.00

RESOLUTION – AWARD THIRD PARTY INSPECTIONS CONTRACT: On the motion of Mr. Alloway and second of Mr. North, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

R04-28

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR ELECTRICAL, FIRE AND PLUMBING SERVICES WITH B.I.U., INC.

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville wish to enter an electrical, fire and plumbing inspection agreement with Building Inspection Underwriters, Inc., 513 S. Lenola Road, Suite 216, Moorestown, New Jersey, to perform such inspections as shall be assigned to it in accordance with the terms of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, B.I.U., Inc. is an inspection authority approved by the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the term of this agreement shall be three years commencing on the 4th day of February 2004 and expiring on the 4th day of February 2007,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville enter into an agreement with B.I.U., Inc. for electrical, fire and plumbing inspection services.

RESOLUTION – PURCHASE PELICAN STREET SWEEPER FROM BOROUGH OF OAKLYN: On the motion of Mr. Finnegan and second of Mrs. Madden, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

R04-29

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY FOR THE PURCHASE OF A STREET SWEEPER

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville is desirous of purchasing a Street Sweeper in accordance with Ordinance #01-05; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the availability of funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that approval has been granted for the purchase of a Pelican Street Sweeper from the Borough of Oaklyn, New Jersey, in the total amount of \$2,500.00.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION – SALARIES AND WAGES: On the motion of Mr. Finnegan and second of Mr. Alloway, Council unanimously introduced the following ordinance:

04-04

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY ENTITLED SALARIES AND WAGES

The public hearing will be held on March 8.

SOCIAL AFFAIRS PERMIT APPLICATION – JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB: On the motion of Mr. Alloway and second of Mrs. Madden, Council unanimously approved

APPLICATION – JUNIOR FIRE COMPANY MEMBERSHIP: On the motion of Mr. Zeiders and second of Mr. North, Council unanimously approved David Scheteler, subject to approval of Chief Ward, as a junior member of the Niagara Fire Company.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – PETTY CASH: On the motion of Mrs. Madden, second of Mr. Alloway and a unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the following bills for payment:

R04-30

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS REPLENISHING THE BOROUGH CLERK HEALTH CO-PAY PETTY CASH FUND AND THE POLICE HEALTH CO-PAY PETTY CASH FUND

WHEREAS, the Department of Accounts and Auditing has examined the following Petty Cash vouchers amounting to \$378.66 and finds same to be correct:

CHECKS DELIVERED TO BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE CURRENT FUND:

Borough Clerk Health Co-Pay Petty Cash Fund (#04-022 – 04-028)	\$133.39
Police Health Petty Cash Fund (#04-010 – 04-032)	<u>\$245.27</u>
TOTAL:	<u>\$378.66</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that these Petty Cash vouchers be approved for payment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BUDGET SESSION: Council will hold a budget session immediately following the Council meeting.

COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE: Mayor Brennan announced that a plaque outlining the history of F.W. Grigg was donated to the Borough and would be displayed in Borough Hall.

PERFORMANCE REVIEWS: Department Heads are reminded to perform year-end reviews with their employees.

PRIVATE SESSION: On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. North, Council went into private session to discuss personnel matters.

PUBLIC: When Council reconvened, on the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Pagano, Council unanimously approved the Police Contract. It is a four-year contract with a flat 4% increase in salary each year.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, on the motion of Mr. Alloway and second of Mr. Pagano the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM.

OREN R. THOMAS IV
BOROUGH CLERK