

Merchantville, NJ

May 10, 2004

A regular meeting of Borough Council was held at 7:30 PM, Monday, May 10, 2004. Council President Zeiders presided in the absence Mayor Brennan.

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: Alloway, Madden, North, Zeiders and Finnegan

Council Absent: Pagano

Solicitor Higgins and Borough Clerk Thomas were present.

PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE – AMENDMENT TO CH 94, ZONING: Council President Zeiders opened the public hearing on the following ordinance:

04-08

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 94, ZONING, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE

There being no public comment, the hearing was closed.

ORDINANCE - SALARIES & COMPENSATION: Mayor Brennan opened the public hearing on the following ordinance:

04-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE IN THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY ENTITLED "SALARIES & COMPENSATION"

There being no public comment, the hearing was closed.

PUBLIC:

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Thomas Cundey, Remington & Vernick Engineers, provided an update of Borough projects. **Mr.**

Alloway asked that a drainage problem on Woodlynne Avenue be examined. Mr. Cundey will contact Mr. Pagano and keep him informed.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

COUNCIL REPORTS:

MRS. MADDEN delivered the Historic Preservation Commission report. Two permits were approved at the last meeting. An updated Historic Preservation Commission ordinance has been finalized and will be forwarded to the Planning Board. The Garden Club report was given. The MBPA will be holding the Merchantville Gala at the Merchantville Country Club on November 13. Borough Administrator John Fry has been attending the MBPA meetings. MBPA representatives would like the

Mayor to appoint an advisory board to conduct a feasibility study of a Business Improvement District.

MR. FINNEGAN announced that May 3 was Daniel Beckett's first day as Public Works Manager.

James Maiese will be out of work for eight more weeks due to his injury. Five trees were picked up from the county on April 21 and will be planted in collaboration with the Shade Tree Commission.

Camden County prisoners worked in the Borough for three days last week. The Shade Tree Commission is waiting to hear about status as Tree City U.S.A. An ad has been published regarding the submission of bids for general tree work throughout the Borough in 2004.

MR. ALLOWAY delivered the Board of Health report. Pool inspections will be performed this year by Patti Fields of the Board of Health at a charge of \$5. Walt Sikorski has a list of Borough pool owners. Regarding Code Enforcement, several properties have weeds and debris that needs to be trimmed and cleaned respectively. Some animals have been found in trash receptacles where lids were not secured. The Newsletter deadline is May 21.

MR. NORTH delivered the Court report and they are considering credit cards for payment tickets and fines. Mr. Higgins will research to see if action was already taken allowing credit card payments to the Court. The Police report was delivered for the month of April. Will be meeting with Chief Ward regarding accessibility to the downtown area for emergency vehicles and personnel during the Car Show and Sock Hop. Mr. Koehler inspected all Borough sites that possess liquor licenses and they are in compliance with necessary laws. Seven quotes were sought for the supply and installation of a security fence around the air handling system at the Community Center. H. Baron Ironworks was the only vendor to return a proposal in the amount of \$1,500. The OEM is conducting a drill this evening and will be holding their next meeting on May 13 at Borough Hall.

MR. ZEIDERS delivered the Buildings and Grounds report. G.E. Smith repaired the exposed wires at the Community Center. The Fire Department report was delivered.

OLD BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE ADOPTION – AMENDMENT TO CH 94, ZONING: On the motion of Mrs. Madden, second of Mr. North and a unanimous roll call vote, Council adopted the following ordinance:

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NEW BUSINESS:

FINANCIAL REPORTS: On the motion of Mrs. Madden, second of Mr. Alloway and a unanimous roll

call vote, Council approved the Chief Financial Officer's Report of Cash Receipts for April 2004 and the Abbreviated Budget Status as of April 30, 2004.

RESOLUTION – CAPITAL PURCHASE OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT: On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Alloway, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

R04-60

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY
AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE CAPITAL PURCHASE OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville is desirous of purchasing computer equipment in accordance with Ordinance 01-05M; 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 computer equipment from Dell Computer Corporation, Round Rock, TX, under state contract, in the total amount of \$1047.00.

RESOLUTION – PURCHASE OF SITE FURNITURE [TRASH RECEPTACLES]: On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. Alloway, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

R04-61

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN,
NEW JERSEY FOR THE PURCHASE OF SITE FURNITURE**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville is desirous of purchasing site furniture in accordance with the Clean Communities Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer must first certify as to the availability of funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that approval has been granted for the purchase of site furniture from General Recreation, Newtown Square, PA, under state contract, in the total amount of \$6,310.00 contingent upon the Chief Financial Officer's certification of funds.

RESOLUTION – FIRE HOUSE VENTILATION SYSTEM: On the motion of Mr. Zeiders and second of Mr. North, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

R04-62

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE
OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE CAPITAL PURCHASE OF AN AIR VENTILATION
SYSTEM FOR THE FIRE HOUSE**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville is desirous of purchasing an air ventilation system for the Fire House with Ordinances 32795B and 00-04C; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a contract be awarded to Air Technology, Willingboro, NJ, under State Contract, for the purchase and installation of one ventilation system in the amount of \$19,882.00.

APPOINTMENT – PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES: On the motion of Mr. Finnegan and second of Mrs. Madden, Council unanimously approved the appointment of Michael Rogers, Mount Holly, and Tim Shields, Pittsgrove, as Probationary Public Works Helpers.

PROCLAMATION – ARBOR DAY: On the motion of Mr. Finnegan and second of Mrs. Madden, Council unanimously approved a proclamation declaring April 30, 2004 as Arbor Day in the Borough of

Merchantville.

RESOLUTION – FENCE PURCHASE: On the motion of Mr. North and second of Mr. Alloway, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

R04-63

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY
AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A FENCE PROTECTING THE AIR
CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT AT THE MERCHANTVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER**

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville is desirous of purchasing and installing a fence to protect the Air-Conditioning equipment at the Merchantville Community Center in accordance with Ordinance 01-05; and

WHEREAS quotes have been solicited; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract be awarded for the lowest quote submitted by H. Baron Iron Works, Gloucester City, New Jersey, in the total amount not to exceed \$1,500.00 for installation of fencing.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: On the motion of Mrs. Madden, second of Mr. North and a unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the following bills for payment:

CURRENT FUND: (PER 5/10/04 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK #9504- 9514	\$ 121,498.45
CHECK #9515- 9571	\$ 1,512,030.64
	<u>\$ 1,633,529.09</u>

DOG ACCOUNT: (PER 5/10/04 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

\$ -

GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT: (PER 5/10/04 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #1259- 1261

\$ 2,107.28
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MERCHANTVILLE SEWER UTILITY: (PER 5/10/04 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK #1484- 1486	\$ 3,924.63
CHECK #1487- 1488	\$ 197.50
	<u>\$ 4,122.13</u>

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TRUST FUND: (PER 5/10/04 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

\$ -
<u>\$ -</u>

RECREATION COMMISSION: (PER 5/10/04 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK #2237- 2339	\$ 674.22
CHECK #2340- 2351	\$ 2,341.32
	<u>\$ 3,015.54</u>

TRUST ACCOUNT - OTHER FUNDS: (PER 5/10/04 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK #946- 947	\$ 496.86
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CHECK #948- 952	\$ 3,306.84
	<u>\$ 3,803.70</u>

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION: (PER 5/10/04 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #313	\$ 86.01
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TOTAL:	<u>\$ 1,646,663.75</u>
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EXAMINED AND FOUND CORRECT: (SIGNED AGNES A. MADDEN)
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND AUDITING

R04-64

RESOLUTION that the Report of the Department of Accounts and Auditing be accepted and spread upon the minutes and the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay the bills therein.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

FLEA MARKET: On the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. North, Council unanimously approved the use of Wellwood Park on September 25 by the Merchantville Women's Club.

PRIVATE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, on the motion of Mrs. Madden and second of Mr. North the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

OREN R. THOMAS IV
BOROUGH CLERK