

Merchantville, NJ

September 24, 2007

A regular meeting of Borough Council was held at 7:30 PM, Monday, September 24, 2007. Mayor Frank M. North 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: Alloway, Fields, Volkert, Finnegan, Waldron and Zeiders

Borough Clerk Fry, Deputy Clerk Brouse and Solicitor Higgins were present.

PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE-ADOPT NEW JERSEY HOUSING CODE: Mayor North opened the public hearing on the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 07-16

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 60B, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE

There being no public comment the hearing was closed.

PUBLIC:

CAMDEN COUNTY PRESENTATION OF ROUNDABOUT CONCEPT:

The presentation was re-scheduled.

OLD BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE ADOPTION- NEW JERSEY HOUSING CODE: On the motion of Mrs. Fields, second of Mr. Volkert and unanimous roll call vote, Council adopted the following ordinance:

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NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION-RESTRICTING DOGS IN WELLWOOD AND COMMUNITY CENTER PARKS:

Mr. Higgins will research whether the Borough has an existing ordinance in place.

DISCUSSION-NEED FOR STOP SIGNS AT SPRINGFIELD & VOLAN, PROSPECT & LOCUST:

On the motion of Mr. Volkert and second of Mr. Alloway, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

RESOLUTION-INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND MEUICIPALITY OF MERCHANTVILLE FOR EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE REMOVAL OF SNOW ON COUNTY ROADS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN: On the motion of Mr. Finnegan and second of Mr. Alloway, Council unanimously approved the following resolution.

RESOLUTION-STANDARDIZE HOURS OF OPERATION FOR BOROUGH HALL: On the motion of Mr. Alloway and second of Mr. Volkert, Council unanimously approved the addition of a four way stop sign.

R07-115

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY MODIFYING THE HOURS THE BOROUGH HALL IS OPEN FOR PUBLIC SERVICES

WHEREAS, the current hours for Borough services are varied; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville desires to provide services to its residents and businesses in a predictable manner; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville desires to give adequate notice of the change of hours of operation to the public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Merchantville will be open from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM on all scheduled days of operation effective November 5, 2007.

RESOLUTION-AUTHORIZING MATCHING FUNDS FOR FEMA FIRE GRANT: On the motion of Mr. Volkert and second of Mr. Alloway, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

R07-111

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY PROVIDING MATCHING FUNDS FOR A FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FIRE GRANT

WHEREAS, the Niagara Fire Company has sought funding to provide grant funding to support a Rapid Intervention Team; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has informed the Niagara Fire Company of the award of the FY2006 Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$66,215.00 as Grant No. EMW-2006-FG-18541; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency requires the Borough of Merchantville to provide a share of the cost in the amount of \$3,485.00; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have recognized the need to support the Niagara Fire Company in its efforts to properly equip and train its Rapid Intervention Team to protect the lives of Firefighters;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville that the Borough commits to funding 5% of the total project costs, i.e., \$3,485.

RESOLUTION-CHAPTER 159 FOR OVER THE LIMIT/UNDER ARREST GRANT: On the motion of Mr. Alloway and second of Mrs. Fields, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

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RESOLUTION INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE BUDGET OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY PURSUANT TO N.J.S. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948)

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville in the County of Camden, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2007 in the sum of \$5,000.00 which is now available from Over the Limit Under Arrest Grant in the amount of \$5,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of \$5,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption Over the Limit Under Arrest Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from the Over the Limit Under Arrest – Impaired Driving Crackdown Grant in the amount of \$5,000.00.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

On the motion of Mr. Zeiders, second of Mr. Alloway and a unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the following bills for payment:

EXAMINED AND FOUND CORRECT: (SIGNED ROBERT H. ZEIDERS)
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND AUDITING

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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.

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DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND AUDITING HAS EXAMINED THE FOLLOWING BILLS
AMOUNTING TO \$*** AND FINDS SAME TO BE CORRECT:

CURRENT FUND: (PER 9/24/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK # 012922, 012923, 012925, 012926, 012928, 012944	\$ 19,400.08
CHECK # 012918-012921, 012924, 012927	\$ 5,709.23
012929, 012930- 012943, 012945-012954	\$ 25,109.31

DOG ACCOUNT: (PER 9/24/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

	\$ -
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GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT: (PER 9/24/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

	\$ -
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MERCHANTVILLE SEWER UTILITY: (PER 9/24/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK #	
CHECK #	
	\$ -

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TRUST FUND: (PER 9/24/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

	\$ -
	\$ -

RECREATION COMMISSION: (PER 9/24/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK #	
CHECK #002775, 002776	\$ 311.43
	\$ 311.43

TRUST ACCOUNT - OTHER FUNDS: (PER 9/24/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK # 001134-001136	\$ 600.00
CHECK #	
	\$ 600.00

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION: (PER 9/24/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

	\$ -
	\$ -

TOTAL

: \$ 26,020.74

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Borough will receive \$65,000 from FEMA.

There will be a Rabies Clinic on October 20, 2007.

The Borough CFO, Susan B. Walker has given her letter of resignation effective November 9, 2008.

PRIVATE SESSION:

On the motion of Mr. Alloway and second of Mr. Zeiders, Council adjourned into a private session to discuss matters of

personnel.

CONTINUATION OF NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION: Concerns regarding the sound system were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT:

On the motion of Mr. Zeiders and second of Mr. Waldron, the meeting was adjourned at 8:31 PM.

JOHN C. FRY
BOROUGH CLERK