

A regular meeting of Borough Council was held at 7:30 PM, Monday, October 15, 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: Fields, Volkert, Finnegan, Waldron and Borough Clerk Fry, Deputy Clerk Brouse and Solicitor Higgins were present.

PUBLIC HEARING:

MAYORAL REMARKS: Mayor North announced that Hobie Grant passed away last night.

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT-CHAPTER 86 LISTING INTERSECTIONS WITH STOP SIGNS

Mayor North opened the public hearing on the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 07-17**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 86, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE**

Bob Disch, 23 E. Chestnut Avenue, Stop signs don't work in his area.

Sam Slatery, 218 Springfield Avenue, speeding is an issue thru out town because of the cut through. We need speed limit signs in town.

PUBLIC:

Sam Slatery, 218 Springfield Avenue, Talked about tree pruning in town.

Dave Lerher, 129 Centre Street, asked for bike racks in the downtown area.

Mark Brunton, 28 S. Cove Road, Advised that the Nutrition Center is closing.

There being no further comment the hearing was closed.

ENGINEER REPORT:

Mr. Cundey presented a written report on ongoing projects.

OLD BUSINESS:**ORDINANCE ADOPTION- AMENDING CHAPTER 86 LISTING INTERSECTIONS WITH STOP SIGNS:**

On the motion of Mr. Volkert and second of Mr. Waldron and unanimous roll call vote, Council adopted the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 07-17**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 86, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE****NEW BUSINESS:**

FINANCIAL REPORTS: On the motion of Mr. Finnegan, second of Mrs. Fields and unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the Chief Financial Officer's Report of Cash Receipts for August 2007 and the Abbreviated Budget Status through August 31, 2007.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION-FLOOD CONTROL ORDINANCE: On the motion of Mr. Finnegan, second of Mrs. Fields, Council unanimously introduced the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 07-18

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY ADDING ARTICLE X. TO CHAPTER 71A, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT, TO THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE

RESOLUTION- On the motion of Mrs. Fields, second of Mr. Finnegan, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

R07 - 118

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 \$3,050.00 which is now available from Camden County Cultural and Heritage Commission Grant in the amount of \$3,050.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of \$3,050.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption Camden County Cultural and Heritage Commission Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from the Camden County Cultural and Heritage Commission Grant in the amount of \$3,050.00.

RESOLUTION- On the motion of Mrs. Fields, second of Mr. Volkert, Council unanimously approved the following resolution:

R07-119

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF PAYMENT OF MARRIAGE LICENSES FEES COLLECTED IN ERROR

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville that the amount due for a marriage licenses be refunded to the below person(s) due to an error In accepting the application. Name/

Address

Amount

Frances Theresa Daly \$28.00
7466 Harvey Ave, Pennsauken NJ 08109

RESOLUTION- On the motion of Mr. Volkert, second of Mr. Finnegan, council unanimously approved the following resolution:

R07-

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF A PENALTY FEE FOR CASHING A CHECK MADE INVALID BY A STOP PAYMENT ORDER

WHEREAS, because of a problem in mail service, the Office of the Tax Collector of the Borough of Merchantville issued a stop payment order on fifteen tax refund checks that appeared to be missing; and

WHEREAS, the checks were delivered after the stop payment order to the property owners affected; and

WHEREAS, a penalty of \$15 was assessed upon the personal checking account of Thomas Guggino after the initial check was cashed; and

WHEREAS, First Colonial Bank has credited the current account of the Borough of Merchantville in the amount of \$15 to satisfy the penalty fee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville that the amount of \$15 shall be refunded to the below person in order that they are not penalized by an error not of their making.

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Thomas Guggino 111 Westminster Avenue Merchantville, NJ 08109	\$15.00

APPROVAL- SUBSTITUTE CROSSING GUARD- DIANE ZANDLO: On the motion of Mrs. Fields, second of Mr. Volkert, council unanimously approved the hire of Diane Zandlo:

APPROVAL- LETTER OF INTENT FOR SALVATION ARMY NUTRITION PROGRAM: Council tabled this item.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

On the motion of Mr. Finnegan, second of Mr. Volkert 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

R07-77

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 \$172,827.71 AND FINDS SAME TO BE CORRECT:

CURRENT FUND: (PER 10/15/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK # 012955-012971

\$ 4,775.26

CHECK # 012972-013047

\$ 138,541.58

\$ 143,316.84

DOG ACCOUNT: (PER 10/15/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

\$ -

\$ -

GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT: (PER 10/15/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK # 001423 -001425

\$ 12,529.24

\$ 12,529.24

MERCHANTVILLE SEWER UTILITY: (PER 10/15/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK #

CHECK #

\$ -

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TRUST FUND: (PER 10/15/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

\$ -

\$ -

RECREATION COMMISSION: (PER 10/15/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK #

CHECK # 002777 - 002785

\$ 3,079.13

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<u>TRUST ACCOUNT - OTHER FUNDS: (PER 10/15/07 CHECK REGISTER)</u>	
CHECKS DELIVERED	
CHECK #	\$ -
CHECK # 001137 - 001139	\$ 13,902.50
	\$ 13,902.50
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION: (PER 9/10/07 CHECK REGISTER)</u>	
CHECK #	\$ -
	\$ -
TOTAL:	\$ 172,827.71

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Volkert will ask to post funeral arrangements for Mr. Grant on the website.

PRIVATE SESSION:

No public session.

ADJOURNMENT:

On the motion of Mr. Waldron and second of Mr. Volkert, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 PM.

JOHN C. FRY
BOROUGH CLERK