

Merchantville, NJ

December 27, 2007

A regular meeting of Borough Council was held at 7:30 PM, Monday, December 27, 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 07-21-SALARIES & COMPENSATION

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

PUBLIC: None

OLD BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE ADOPTION- SALARIES & COMPENSATION: On the motion of Mr. Finnegan second of Mr. Alloway, Council adopted the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 07-21

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

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville as follows:

SECTION 1. The maximum annual salaries of the employees of the Borough of Merchantville are hereby established, in accordance with the following schedule for services performed during the year 2008 as of January 1, 2008.

POSITION	SALARY
Police Detective Sergeant	75,341.00
Police Sergeant	71,285.00
Police Corporal	67,678.00
Police Patrol:	
0-6 months	35,237.00
7-12 months	38,303.00
13-24 months	43,665.00
25-36 months	49,793.00
37-48 months	57,450.00
49 months forward	64,970.00
Public Works Foreman (Per Hour)	23.30
Public Works Helper I (Per Hour)	10.78
Public Works Helper II (Per Hour)	12.22

Public Works Helper III (Per Hour)	13.11
Public Works Helper IV (Per Hour)	13.98
Public Works Journeyman I (Per Hour)	15.14
An additional \$.50 (Per Hour) is paid to Helper I through Journeyman I who possesses a valid CDL	
Public Works Journeyman II (Per Hour)	16.31
Public Works Journeyman III (Per Hour)	17.47
Public Works Journeyman IV (Per Hour)	18.64

Section 2. Longevity shall be added to the above salaries in accordance with the following schedule:

LONGEVITY SCHEDULE FOR FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES HIRED PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1994:

After 5 years through 10 years	2%
After 10 years through 15 years	3%
After 15 years through 20 years	4%
After 20 years through 24 years	5%
After 24 years	6%

Retiring employees will be paid longevity on a prorated basis.

SECTION 3. All police officers assigned to the first shift shall be paid at an additional rate of 2% above their hourly base salary; officers assigned to the third shift shall be paid at an additional rate of 1.5% above their hourly base salary; officers assigned to the power shift shall be paid at an additional 1.75% above their hourly base salary.

SECTION 4. A police officer designated as the officer-in-charge (OIC) shall be compensated at the Corporal's rate of pay for all time worked as an OIC, provided the officer performs OIC duties for five or more days during any pay period. The OIC rate shall become effective upon appointment as an OIC.

SECTION 5. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistencies only.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after publication thereof following final passage, and all salaries and compensation shall be retroactive to January 1, 2008.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION-ACCEPT RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE ESTABLISHING SPECIFIC SALARIES AND WAGES FOR EMPLOYEES FOR 2008: On the motion of Mr. Alloway, second of Mrs. Fields and a unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the following resolution:

R07-136

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY ESTABLISHING SPECIFIC SALARIES AND WAGES FOR EMPLOYEES FOR 2008

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville have established the maximum salaries of the following employees of the Borough of Merchantville by ordinance adopted December 27, 2007 for 2008; and

WHEREAS, said salaries shall be subject to the appropriation of funds in the 2008 temporary and the approved 2008 budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville hereby establishes the following specific salaries for 2008 for the following employees of the Borough of Merchantville, to be effective January 1, 2008:

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Police Detective Sergeant	79,108.05
Police Sergeant(with 21-25 years)	74,849.25
Police Sergeant(with 11-25 years)	73,423.55
Police Officer- Patrolman	Per the current Police contract
Public Works Foreman (Per Hour)	23.30
Public Works Journeyman IV (Per Hour)	18.64
Public Works Journeyman III (Per Hour)	17.47
Public Works Journeyman II (Per Hour)	16.31
Public Works Journeyman I (Per Hour)	15.14
Public Works Helper IV (Per Hour)	13.98
Public Works Helper III (Per Hour)	13.11
Public Works Helper II (Per Hour)	12.22
Public Works Helper I (Per Hour)	10.78

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an increase of \$0.50 per hour shall be granted to employee in the job classification of "Helper I" through "Journeyman I" upon acquisition of Commercial Drivers License;

RESOLUTION-AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF 2008 DEBT SERVICE: On the motion of Mr. Alloway second of Mrs. Fields and a unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the following resolution:

R07-138

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF 2008 DEBT SERVICE

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A.40A:4-19 provides authority for appropriating in a temporary resolution the permanent debt service requirements for the coming fiscal year providing that such resolution is not made earlier than December 20 of the year preceding the beginning of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is subsequent to December 19, 2007; and

WHEREAS, principal and interest will be due January 1, 2008 on sundry bonds issued and outstanding; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following appropriation be made to cover the period from January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008 inclusive:

Payment of Bond Principal	\$202,000.00
Payment of Interest on Bonds	<u>\$ 75,646.50</u>
	\$277,646.50

RESOLUTION-AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF 2008 DEBT SERVICE INTEREST: On the motion of Mr. Waldron, second of Mrs. Fields and a unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the following resolution

R07-137

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF 2008 DEBT SERVICE

WHEREAS, the Department of Accounts and Auditing has examined the following voucher in the amount of \$37,823.25 and finds same to be correct:

BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE CURRENT FUND:

Commerce Bank as Paying Agent \$37,823.25

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this voucher be approved for payment:

RESOLUTION-AMENDING RESOLUTION 07-73 (SALARIES & WAGES): On the motion of Mr. Alloway, second of Mrs. Fields and a unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the following

Resolution.

R07-139

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE RESOLUTION 07-73

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville established the specific salaries of the employees of the Borough of Merchantville by resolution #07-73 adopted June 11, 2007; and

WHEREAS, said resolution provides for the salary of the Public Defender to be \$6,000.00; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the salary of the Public Defender shall be \$10,500.00 pursuant to P.L. 1997 c.256;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville hereby establishes the annual salary for 2007 for the Public Defender to be \$10,500.00 retroactive to January 1, 2007.

RESOLUTION-TRANSFER TAX & SEWER OVERPAYMENTS TO 2008: On the motion of Mr. Volkert, second of Mr. Waldron and a unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the following resolution.

R07-140

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TRANSFER OVERPAYMENTS TO OUTSTANDING BALANCES

WHEREAS, total tax payments for the year of 2007 have resulted in overpayments and are being applied to outstanding balances in 2007/8 as attached:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville to adjust the amounts as stated above.

RESOLUTION-CANCEL TAX & SEWER CHARGES UNDER \$10: On the motion of Mr. Alloway, second of Mr. Finnegan and a unanimous roll call vote, Council approved the following Resolution

R07-141

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY CANCELLING 2007 TAX AND SEWER BALANCES UNDER\$10.00

WHEREAS, balances under \$10.00 remain on certain tax and sewer accounts for 2007, and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey permits the cancellation of either overpayment or past due balances under \$10.00,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville authorizes the Tax Collector to cancel the attached list of small tax and sewer balances remaining as of December 31, 2007.

APPROVAL OF JUNIOR FIREFIGHTHER: BRIAN MONTGOMERY-On the motion of Mr. Volkert and a second of Mr. Alloway council unanimously approved Mr. Montgomery for membership.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

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

December 27, 2007

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

CURRENT FUND: (PER 12/27/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK # 013208-013214

CHECK #

\$ 72,569.61

\$ 72,569.61
DOG ACCOUNT: (PER 12/27/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

\$ -
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCOUNT: (PER 12/27/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

\$ -
MERCHANTVILLE SEWER UTILITY: (PER 12/27/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK # 1625

CHECK #

\$ 4,409.70

\$ 4,409.70
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TRUST FUND: (PER 12/27/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

\$ -

\$ -
RECREATION COMMISSION: (PER 12/27/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK # 2799

CHECK #

630

\$ 630.00
TRUST ACCOUNT - OTHER FUNDS: (PER 12/27/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECKS DELIVERED

CHECK # 1148

CHECK #

\$ 248.42

\$ 248.42
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION: (PER 12/27/07 CHECK REGISTER)

CHECK #

\$ -

\$ -

TOTAL: \$ 77,857.73

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Borough will receive a DOT grant for Morris Street.
This will be Paul Finnegan's last meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

On the motion of Mr. Finnegan and second of Mr. Alloway, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

JOHN C. FRY
BOROUGH CLERK