

MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

September 3, 2013

The Council of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, met in the Second Floor Conference Room of the Municipal Building, 205 Claremont Avenue, for a Conference Meeting at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Jackson, Councilors Baskerville, Hurlock, McMahon, Schlager, and Spiller

Absent: Deputy Mayor Russo

STATEMENT OF SUNSHINE NOTICE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Receive: Everton Scott, Regional Public Affairs Manager, PSE&G

Mayor Jackson thanked Mr. Scott and his staff for the recent tree pruning work in the Mission Street area. Mr. Scott provided an update on the current infrastructure within the municipality. He described PSE&G's plan to deal with any infrastructure problems including:

1. "hardening the infrastructure" eg. Switching stations, substations, power lines to streets; and
2. resiliency (using smart-grid technology further down power lines to isolate problem areas more quickly)

Deputy Mayor Russo joined the meeting.

Mr. Scott reported that PE&G has filed a petition with the BPU to implement an "Energy Strong" program.

A public hearing on the application will be held on September 16, 2013 at Essex County College in conjunction with this application.

Mr. Scott asked the Council to file a letter/resolution in support of this initiative.

It was the Council's consensus to add this request to the Council agenda of October 10, 2013.

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING/ADOPTION

The pending ordinance entitled: "ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$350,000 FROM CAPITAL SURPLUS FOR VARIOUS STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY." (0-13-43) passed first reading July 16, 2013 and upon second reading the title thereof was read by the Clerk who then reported that it had been published and posted and copies had been made available to the public as required by law and that an affidavit to that effect was on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Jackson asked whether anyone present wished to address the Councilors regarding the proposed ordinance.

Being no one wishing to be heard, Mayor Jackson closed the hearing.

On motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded, the ordinance was adopted by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS - RESOLUTIONS

On motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded, the following Resolution (R-13-138) was adopted by unanimous vote.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 of the Local Public Contracts Law permits the use of "competitive contracting" in lieu of public bidding for the procurement of specialized goods and services, including the hiring of an entity for the purpose of the operation, management and administration of recreation facilities or programs; and

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2008, the Township Council adopted a Resolution authorizing the use of competitive contracting in order to solicit proposals for the operation and management of the Clary Anderson Arena; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the aforesaid resolution, the Township has issued a Request for Proposals ("RFP") for a contract for the management and operation of the Clary Anderson Arena commencing September 6, 2011, and published notice thereof same in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, said RFP was returnable on August 20, 2013, and the Township has received two competitive proposals in response to the RFP; and

WHEREAS, the proposals were reviewed and evaluated by a committee consisting of the Township Manager and the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, in accordance with the criteria and methodology set forth in the RFP and applicable legal requirements; and

WHEREAS, the evaluation committee has prepared a written report in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.5.d which recommended that the Township award a contract to Clary Anderson LLC for the operation and management of the Clary Anderson Arena; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Township of Montclair, in the County of Essex, that a contract for the management and operation of the Clary Anderson Arena is hereby awarded to Clary Anderson LLC pursuant to the terms and conditions of the RFP.

COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Jackson announced that the Domus Corporation recently withdrew its application to construct a facility to house homeless veterans at the site of the former Social Security building. This action would allow the Township to enter into negotiations with the General Services Administration to purchase this property as part of a high-end, mixed use development with residential, retail and office space. A portion of the proceeds from such a development could be used to benefit local homeless groups.

The Financial Management Sub-committee will meet on Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

The next Education Sub-committee meeting will be on Monday, September 23, 2013 at 7:30 at the Municipal Building.

Councilor Hurlock announced a vacancy on the Animal Welfare Committee.

Sandy Sorkin, 3 Marquette Road, proffered several questions regarding agenda items. He specifically addressed the ordinance appropriating \$266,097.34 from the developers of Centro Verde to create a park at the site of the Township parking lot at the corner of Valley and Bloomfield Avenue.

Ira Shores, 302 North Mountain Avenue, asked how monies budgeted for Board of Education computers upgrades (\$625,000 as part of a capital appropriation) would be utilized.

Raymond Smith, 60 Maple Avenue, questioned why a block party permit was refused for his area. Councilor Baskerville offered to facilitate this request.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT:

Preview September 10, 2013 meeting items

1. Hearing on Ordinance to amend Chapter 82 of the Township Code re animal licensing (O_13_046)
2. Hearing on PBA Salary Ordinance (O_13_047)
3. Hearing on Capital Ordinance appropriating \$475,000 from reserve for future improvements in the capital fund for the acquisition of Property Located at Block 2209, Lots 1 and 16 (O_13_048)
4. Hearing on Ordinance appropriating \$266,097.34 from developer contributions for various capital improvements in and by the Township of Montclair (O_13_049)
5. Hearing on Ordinance to amend the Management (non-union) Salary Ordinance (O_13_050)
6. Introduce Ordinance to amend Chapter 136 of Township Code (birth, marriage and death certificates)
7. Introduce SOA Salary Ordinance 2013 - 2015
8. Resolution authorizing the execution of a professional services agreement with Standard & Poor's for bond rating services for the Township of Montclair
9. Resolution authorizing "Stamp Out Graffiti" rewards program
10. Resolution requesting approval of items of revenue and appropriation, NJS 40A:4-87
11. Resolution authorizing SOA agreement
12. Resolution authorizing change order for Edgemont Park Improvements (cost of dredging disposal)
13. Resolution rejecting bids for Valley Road/Church Street Fountain/Roundabout (price exceeds budget)
14. Resolution for NJDOT Local Aid Grant Application – Park Street between Bloomfield Avenue and Chestnut Street

15. Resolution for NJDOT Safe Routes to Transit Application – Walnut Station Circulation Improvements
16. Resolution authorizing person-to-person transfer of liquor license
17. Introduce Ordinance to amend Chapter 235 of the Township Code (establishing criteria for financial assistance)
18. Bill Resolution

DISCUSSION:

Police Radio Study Report

Township Manager, Marc Dashield will provide additional information in the near future.

9/11 Ceremony

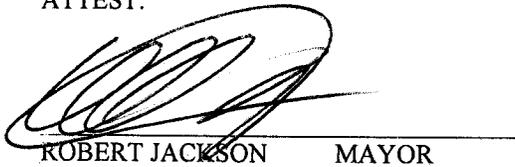
The Council will observe a moment of silence in recognition of the 9/11 Anniversary at the Regular Council Meeting of September 10, 2013.

At 9:17 P.M. on motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded, the Conference Meeting was adjourned to Executive Session by unanimous vote.

At 10:14 P.M. on motion made by Mayor Jackson and duly seconded the Conference Meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.


LINDA S. WANAT MUNICIPAL CLERK

ATTEST:


ROBERT JACKSON MAYOR