

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

The session was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by the President of Council, Ralph DiGuseppe.

Council offered a moment of silent prayer.

The Council then proceeded to salute the flag.

Present were:

Mr. James Lutz	Mr. Anthony Muccie
Mr. Michael Harris	Mr. Patrick Sabatini
Ms. Robyn Trunell	Mr. Leo Plenski, Jr.
Ms. Betty Rodriguez	Mr. Ralph DiGuseppe

Also present were:

Mayor Joseph Saxton  
Mr. James Dillon, Borough Manager  
Mr. William Salerno, Borough Solicitor  
Chief Arnold Porter, Police Chief  
Mrs. Maria Fields, Administrator

Council Member Betty Rodriguez presented a check in the amount of \$2,500.00 to Linda McClain, President of the Parade Committee, and Ellen Scancellia, Vice President of the Parade Committee. The check was a donation from Borough Council and the Mayor on behalf of Borough residents for the 2009 Christmas Parade scheduled for Saturday, November 28, 2009, at 1:00 p.m.

Council Member Robyn Trunell presented a Proclamation recognizing Don West, Resident and Environmental Advisory Committee Member, for planting more than 700 trees.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Susan Everett, 1520 Wilson Avenue, complimented Council on the wonderful job done with the Road Program.

Michael Gerenda, 2210 Wilson Avenue, asked if the ponding on the roads recently paved will be checked.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION CONT'D.**

Kenneth Bixler, 337 Cleveland Street, thanked Council for having the video corrected on the television channel.

Donald Crohe, 322 Hayes Street, congratulated the Parade Committee and Don West. He asked everyone to keep former Council Member Rose DiGuissepe in their prayers; she recently fell and is recuperating.

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

Mr. Harris (Ms. Rodriguez) moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of August 10, 2009, the Special Public Meeting of August 28, 2009, the Joint Public Meeting of Borough Council and the Recreation Authority of August 28, 2009, and the Council Work Session of September 8, 2009 as printed. Unanimous

Mr. Harris (Ms. Rodriguez) moved to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of July as printed. Unanimous

Mr. Harris (Ms. Rodriguez) moved to accept the Police & D.J.'s Report as printed. Unanimous

Mr. Harris (Ms. Rodriguez) moved to accept the Fire Chief's Report as printed. Unanimous

Mr. Harris (Ms. Rodriguez) moved to accept the Borough Inspector's Report as printed. Unanimous

Mr. Harris (Ms. Rodriguez) moved to accept the H.A.R.B. Report and Decisions of August 31, 2009 as printed. Unanimous

Mr. Harris (Ms. Rodriguez) moved to accept the Zoning Hearing Board Report as printed. Unanimous

**NEW BUSINESS**

**3. ORDINANCE - ESTABLISHING CONFINEMENT OF DOG REGULATIONS.**

Ms. Trunell (Ms. Rodriguez) moved to adopt the Ordinance establishing confinement of dog regulations. Unanimous



**OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. DiGuiseppe informed Council that the motor in the car the Parking Enforcement Officer drives cannot be repaired. The Borough will purchase a 2010 Ford Focus in the amount of \$15,570.00. The item is in the budget. There were no objections by Council.

Mr. DiGuiseppe advised Council that the Borough asked the Road Program Contractor, General Asphalt Paving Company, for an estimate to repair and seal the walking path from Mill Street to Green Lane. The estimate is in the amount of \$19,500.00. Council agreed to have the walking path repaired and sealed.

Mr. DiGuiseppe gave a status report on the Road Program. He noted the ponding problems on the roads will be taken care of with a drain installed in those areas where needed.

Ms. Trunell reminded Council and residents of the East Coast Greenway Public Meeting on Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Margaret R. Grundy Memorial Library.

Mr. DiGuiseppe announced the DooWop is on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. DiGuiseppe asked Mr. Lutz if he had received a letter from Begley, Carlin confirming their charge of \$90.00 per hour for litigation as discussed at the work session.

Mr. Lutz did not receive a letter from Begley Carlin confirming the \$90.00 fee for litigation.

Mr. DiGuiseppe noted that a representative from Begley Carlin had informed him (Mr. DiGuiseppe) that the Borough will never receive a letter confirming the \$90.00 fee charged for litigation.

Mr. Sabatini (Ms. Rodriguez) moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Unanimous