

An Executive Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge was called to order by Mayor Paul Sarlo at 7:00 PM on October 2, 2012 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 85 Humboldt Street Wood-Ridge, New Jersey.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes were taken by Borough Administrator Eilert

ROLLCALL: Mayor: Paul A. Sarlo
Dominick Azzolini
Catherine Cassidy
Ezio Altamura
Edward Marino
Joseph DiMarco
Philip Romero
Borough Attorney: Paul S. Barbire
Borough Engineer: Brian Intindola
Borough Clerk: Diane Thornley (Excused)
Borough Admin: Chris Eilert

SUNSHINE NOTICE:

This meeting is being held in accordance with P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, and the notice requirements of the law have been met by appropriate notice being forwarded to The Record, The Herald News and Star Ledger setting forth the date, time and place of said meeting and by posting a copy of same on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

Engineering: Mayor spoke on the transmission line for Public Service; it's a conduit with an electrical line.

1. **2011-2012 Union Avenue Drainage and Road Improvements**
 - a. Project is substantially complete with as needed driveway repairs and green belt restoration (i.e. top soil/seeding and tree planting) being the principal construction activity.
 - b. We anticipate providing the NJDOT close-out documentation in mid-October to secure the remaining grant funds.
2. **PSEG Transmission Line Work**
 - a. Per the PSEG project manager, they have received bids from qualified contractors on Friday, September 21, 2012 and will contact the Borough Administrator with respect to construction schedule for the Fall 2012 and specifically completing the paving on Union Avenue west of 14th Street.

3. **Grant Submissions**
 - a. Bergen County Open Space: Grant has been submitted for the construction of a neighborhood basketball court at the 14th Street Field.
 - b. Community Development Block Grant: We are in the process of developing a grant application to provide additional parking at the Civic/Senior Center (due 10/5/12)-Resolution prepared for review.
 - c. NJDOT Local Aid: traditional paving grant that we are coordinating with the Borough Administrator resubmit for additional funds on Highland Avenue or focus on the area around the new intermediate school
 - d. NJDOT TEA Grant: Grant awards are pending with the Borough submitting for bicycle lane(s) to the NJTRANSIT Station on Highland Avenue.
4. **Civic Center:**
 - a. Project is substantially complete with final elevator inspection conducted today that permits use of the elevator
 - b. Final grant funds will be requested from Bergen CDBG to close-out the project.
5. **CDBG ADA Ramps:**
 - a. Our office is preparing plans and specifications for ADA Ramp improvements which will be ready for bid in the second week of October.
6. **2013-2013 Road Improvements:**
 - a. Initial Survey complete with base mapping proceeding; project is slated for early spring 2013 bid and construction. An initial phase may be bid to complement the work at the former assumption school
7. **Veterans/Bianchi Gazebos:**
 - a. We have selected Gazebos that we will submit to NJSHPO with respect Bianchi and review with the Borough choices for Veterans.

General items to be discussed:

Best Practice Discussion - Borough Administrator advised he has submitted to the DCA the form to get State Aid. He feels we have accomplished 100%; this is the 3rd year in a row.

Senior Citizen Halloween Party - October 26th @ 4:30PM.
Senior Citizen Christmas Party - December 7th @ 6PM

Tax Appeals: (Barbire) No report

Other Legal: (Barbire) No report

Councilman Azzolini: He reported on the Fire Department Inspection; October 6th @ 5:30PM.

Councilwoman Cassidy: She reported on the Haunted House @ the Bianchi House; October 26th, 27th & 28th. She also reported on a program being held on December 9th, called Buckshot Bond.

Councilman Altamura: He advised the Girl Scouts will be at the October 16th Mayor & Council Meeting to celebrate their 100th Anniversary. He also reported that on October 21st @ 1:30PM Rededication of the Civic Center, the PBA Golf Outing is October 19th, Recreation - approximately 320 applicants for football and the almost the same for soccer. Public Information-November 3rd PBA Beefsteak; October 14th-Fire Department Fire Truck Rides, Fire Department Wet Down is October 20th. He also reported we lost a very dedicated resident, Bill Schiller. He was our Grand Marshall at the Memorial Day Parade.

Councilman Marino: He reported on the 5k Race-approximately 275 pre-registered applicants.

Councilman DiMarco: He reported that the Christmas Tree Lighting is November 23rd.

Seminar Approvals:

- A. Jackie Sharkey, to attend seminar for Tax Sale Process, October 10, 2012 at a cost of \$90.00
- B. Diane Thornley, to attend seminar for Tax Sale Process, October 10, 2012 at a cost of \$90.00 and Ethics and Internal Controls seminar, October 24, 2012 at a cost of \$90.00
- C. New Jersey State League of Municipalities, Atlantic City, NJ November 13-15, 2012 pursuant to policy.

Motion: Councilman Marino seconded by Councilman Azzolini moved to approve the seminars as listed above.

Roll call: Azzolini yes, Cassidy yes, Altamura yes, Marino yes, DiMarco yes, Romero yes.

Outstanding Agenda Items: Councilman Altamura thanked the Girl Scouts for decorating our Welcome to Wood-Ridge Signs.

Mayor Sarlo advised that on Wood-Ridge Ave. and Valley Blvd., a Spencer Savings will be constructed.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Mayor Sarlo declared the Hearing of Citizens to be open. Anyone wishing to speak please come to the microphone in front of the room and state your name and address. Please speak clearly into the microphone.

Avril Genton Innes Rd. - She asked about the Bill that is before Governor Christie regarding health insurance for small businesses. Mayor Sarlo advised this is not the right forum to make comments on at this time. She also questioned about the children enrollment at Wesmont Station Development. Mayor advised we will have a new school up and running September 2013. Borough Administrator advised there are approximately 200 units and about 25 children in the twelve grades.

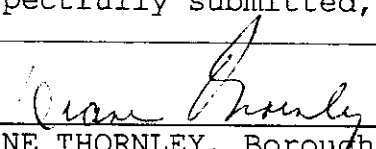
Mr. Andy Anderson 238 Wood-Ridge St. - he asked how many units will be at Wesmont. He was advised there will be 1000 units when the project is completed. Mr. Anderson's main concern was about the 3 consecutive nights of lights down at the High School. He wanted to know if the council thought about calling any of the residents. The Mayor advised they did not call the residents. Mr. Anderson said he could not park and wanted to know who puts up the signs. He was advised the Police Department put up the signs. He stated those signs were still up at 11:30PM.

Seeing none and hearing none further, the Mayor declared the Hearing of Citizens closed.

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no further business to come before the Council, Councilman Marino seconded by Councilwoman Cassidy moved for adjournment. By unanimous vote of the members of the Council present, the Executive Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge held on October 2, 2012 was duly adjourned at 7:40P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


DIANE THORNLEY, Borough Clerk