

MINUTES

CITY OF BEVERLY

February 10, 2009

CALL TO ORDER.

Verification of Notice- OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT. (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6) In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, this is to announce that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner. On January 7, 2009 advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the public bulletin board in the City Hall; was mailed to the **THE BURLINGTON COUNTY TIMES AND TO THE CAMDEN COURIER POST;** was filed with the City Clerk and was mailed to all persons who requested and paid for such notice. The proceedings of this meeting are being electronically recorded and the tape will be on file in the office of the City Clerk.

FLAG SALUTE.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mr. Newsome, Mr. S. Williams, Mr. Arter, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Desjardins, Council President Crespo, Mayor Cook, Barbara Sheipe, Administrator/Clerk, Michael Morton, Director of Public Safety and Skip Reale, Solicitor

ABSENT: Mr. Bass and Mr. J. Williams.

MINUTES. Mrs. Sheipe requested that the minutes be corrected to show that Mr. Wolbert's title is Chairman of Childhood Wellness and Nutrition. Mr. Newsome made a motion to approve the minutes of January 27, 2009. Mr. Perkins second the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Mr. Newsome, Mr. S. Williams, Mr. Arter, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Desjardins, Council President Crespo,

NAYES: None.

COORESPONDENCE.

Mayor Cook read a letter from the City of Burlington thanking her for attending seminar on the mortgage foreclosure crisis. The letter is attached and made part of the minutes.

Mayor Cook provided City Council with a fax concerning municipal consolidation. Mr. Reale explained that it is an editorial from William Dressel of the NJ League of Municipalities that is circulating throughout all of the municipalities.

OLD BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS.

A. **Resolution No. 2009-25, Resolution Appointing A Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator.** The resolution was read by title. The resolution appoints Michael Rease as the Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator. Mr. Arter made a motion to approve the resolution, Mr. Newsome second the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Mr. Newsome, Mr. S. Williams, Mr. Arter, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Desjardins and Council President Crespo.

NAYES: None.

B. **Resolution No. 2009-26, Resolution Authorizing Handicapped Space For 231 Broad Street.** The resolution was read by title. Mr. Newsome made a motion to approve the resolution, Mr. S. Williams second the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Mr. Newsome, Mr. S. Williams, Mr. Arter, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Desjardins and Council President Crespo.

NAYES: None.

C. **Resolution No. 2009-27, Resolution Authorizing Participation In The Burlington County Shared Services Forum.** The resolution was read by title. Mr. S. Williams made a motion to approve the resolution, Mr. Perkins second the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Mr. Newsome, Mr. S. Williams, Mr. Arter, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Desjardins and Council President Crespo.

NAYES: None.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING.

A. **Ordinance No. 2009-3, An Ordinance To Amend Ordinance No. 2008-13, An Ordinance Of The Common Council of the City of Beverly For Non-Union Employees For Salary Years 2008 and 2009.** The ordinance was read by title. Mr. Arter inquired as to why the tax collectors salary was also included in the amendment. Mrs. Sheipe explained that there was an error in the tax collectors salary on the 2008 ordinance that was corrected. Mr. Newsome made a motion to adopt the ordinance, Mr. Perkins second the motion. At the call of the roll, the vote was:

AYES: Mr. Newsome, Mr. S. Williams, Mr. Arter, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Desjardins and Council President Crespo.

NAYES: None. The ordinance was adopted on first reading and will be heard on second and final reading with a public hearing at the February 24, 2009 City council meeting at 7pm.

A. **Ordinance No. 2009-4, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 1999-98 Establishing The Fees of the City of Beverly, Specifically Paragraph 6.1 of the Construction Code Fees.** The ordinance was read by title. Council President Crespo requested that this ordinance be moved to a worksession. Mr. Newsome made a motion to hold the ordinance for work session, Mr. Robertson second the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion. Mr. Newsome explained that he had some questions on the ordinance and that Mr. Reale had suggested that the Economic Committee meet with the construction official to review any other questions that council may have. Mr. Newsome discussed that he would like to have a clarification on the definition of use group U for tents. Mr. Robertson explained that the numbers for the increase came directly from the construction official and that the council's questions were on language and sections not the fees. Mr. Reale discussed that he had formatted the ordinance into

the correct format and that he proposed altering all of the fees for the construction office into one ordinance for easier codification. Mr. S. Williams discussed that at the bottom of page 1 it should say per cubic foot as it does in section b on the top of page 2. Mr. Reale requested that the committee should discuss the language on that section with the construction official when they meet. Mr. Newsome made a motion to return to regular session, Mr. S. Williams seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

SOLICITOR REPORT

MAYOR'S REMARKS. Mayor Cook discussed that it is the 200th Birthday of Abraham Lincoln. Mayor Cook discussed that as part of the City recognizing Black History Month, the school children from the Beverly School read Dr. Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream Speech" prior to the city council meeting. The event was attended by teachers, parents and the general public. Mayor Cook thanked the teachers for working with the children on the program. Mayor Cook discussed that she had attend the JIF dinner in Hammonton and also the JIF Breakfast in Hainesport. Council President Crespo and Mayor Cook attend a meeting sponsored by the Burlington County Bridge Commission on redevelopment issues.

COUNCIL REMARKS.

Mrs. Sheipe reported that the Beverly City had been recognized by the Burlington County JIF with a Silver Award. The City lost points toward a Gold Award due to the municipal building not being ADA compatible.

PUBLIC SESSION AND PUBLIC SAFETY.

No one else from the public wishing to be heard, the public portion was closed.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Newsome made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Robertson seconded the motion. All members presented vote in favor.