

SOUTH BOUND BROOK BOROUGH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council held January 13, 2009 at Council Chambers, 12 Main Street, South Bound Brook, NJ 08880.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM with a reading of the Open Public Meetings Law Statement by Mayor Terry Warrelmann, the Pledge of Allegiance and an Invocation by the Borough Clerk.

Roll Call:

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| Mayor Terry Warrelmann | (Present) |
| Council President Dennis Quinlan | (Present) |
| Councilperson Tom Ormosi | (Present) |
| Councilperson Kathleen Conner | (Present) |
| Councilperson Caryl Shoffner | (Present) |
| Councilperson Tony Godleski | (Present) |
| Councilperson Bob Allenovitch | (Present) |

Attending:

Borough Attorney: William Cooper
Borough Engineer: Tom Herits
Chief of Police: William King

Letters & Communications:

- Recreational Grant Information – Fund Local Field Upgrades
- SBB First Aid Squad – Responding weekdays 6:00 PM – 6:00 AM, primary squad on weekends. Five members passed the County EMT Test and are taking the State Test this evening.

Approval of the Minutes:

- **Motion** by Councilperson Shoffner to approve the December Meetings Minutes plus Special Meeting – December 30th Minutes, seconded by Councilperson Conner, all ayes.

Mayor's Report:

- Letter from the Women's Health and Counseling Center explaining services they offer. Mayor will have the letter posted on the bulletin board and also include information in the next Newsletter.

- Letter from Assemblyman Peter Biondi announcing a Viet Nam Memorial Service scheduled for January 24, 2009 at 10:00 AM at the VFW Post in Manville.
- Planning Board Appointments – Dennis Allenovitch, Harold Kildow and John Elder. Two new alternates will be appointed at the next meeting.
- National Wear Red Day for Women Proclamation – Mayor proclaimed Feb. 6, 2009 as National Wear Red Day for Women in the Borough of South Bound Brook.

Council Reports:

Public Works (Councilman Quinlan):

- Attended Board of Health Meeting on January 8th. 2009 Officers are as follows: Sue Warrelmann, President; Joyce Smith, Vice President and Arleen Lih, Secretary.
- Tele-conference with the Union Rep. for the Public Works Department on Dec. 22nd. Our local employee felt it was important to have a conversation before the end of the year.
- Staat's House – Looking for ways to raise money. Advertising for private events was suggested but in order to do that the House would have to be a Class A Public Assembly type building which is not feasible at this time. Historic Preservation Events will still be held. Tory Jack Day will be held on February 7th.
- 2005/2006 Grants – Bid Requirements – a second reading of the pre-qualifications is needed.
- An apology to Carol and Tom Harabin for neglecting to thank them at the Reorganization Meeting for their contributions to the preservation of the Staat's House.

Redevelopment (Councilperson Ormosi):

- Code Enforcement Monthly Report submitted.
- Still trying to get in touch with the Attorney for Washington Park in order to get permission to go inside. The maintenance person needs a couple of days notice and will be there to let them inside. There are two groups interested in seeing the inside.
- Haven't heard anything from the Mr. Bahuta who was interested in the Research Building on Canal Road. The Mayor advised that Colin Driver has been in touch with Mr. Bahuta. Colin will be contacted for an update as to where they are in the process.

Finance (Councilperson Godleski):

- Claims Voucher Resolution - Payment of the Bills - **Motion** by Councilperson Godleski for Claims Voucher Resolution in the amount of \$591,938.36, seconded by Councilperson Quinlan, discussion, roll call vote taken, all ayes.

Public Safety-Police Department/First Aid Squad (Councilperson Allenovitch):

- Police Department Monthly Report submitted. There were 170 calls – 36 First Aid; 2 Fire Department; 26 arrests.

- Rocky Hill Report – Yearly Report will be ready for the next meeting.
- 8 lamps are out and PSE&G has been notified.
- First Aid Squad Monthly Report submitted. There were 17 calls, 199 miles, total hours 55.6. For the year there were 189 calls, 1874 miles and 590 total hours.
- OEM – No report.
- LOSAP Meeting on Sunday night.

Public Safety – Fire Department (Councilperson Conner):

- Fire Department Monthly Report submitted. 5 alarms answered in December, 18.1 man hours answering alarms; 24 man hours for maintenance of equipment; 86 man hours for department training; 10.5 man hours for Board of Engineers Meeting and 60 man hours for Captain’s administrative duties. Total of 198.6 man hours.
- Letter from SBB Fire Department Board of Engineers requesting permission to take apparatus out of town for parades, wet downs and musters. **Motion** by Councilperson Conner to give Fire Department permission to take apparatus out of town for stated reasons, seconded by Councilperson Shoffner, all ayes.
- Letter from the SBB Fire Company requesting permission to hold a Coin Toss on Main Street and Elizabeth Street on May 8, 2009 alternate date May 13, 2009 and September 25, 2009 alternate date October 2, 2009 from Noon to 4:00 PM. Since these are County Roads permission will also be requested from the Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders and our Police Chief. **Motion** by Councilperson Conner to give permission for the Coin Tosses pending approval from the County and all applications are completed seconded by Councilperson Ormosi, all ayes.

Recreation/Board of Education (Councilperson Shoffner):

- Discussed the fire lane at the school. Cars are being parked there. State law says you can’t park in the fire lane. School administration will have the lines repainted and make sure there is no parking in that area.
- Took a tour of Bound Brook High School. Principle Dan Gallagher said that 98% of the students are graduating and 75% are going on to college.
- School Board is looking into putting out two Newsletters per year.
- School applied for the Federal Energy Audit Grant.
- Board of Education reviewing the school calendar. Graduation will be June 25th.
- Received the Recreation Grant – Upgrades for fields. We would like to apply for the grant. The application information will be sent to us.
- The following people are recommended for reappointment to the Recreation Sports Committee: Allison Lih-Thiessen, 3 year term; Dan Duh, 2 year term and Libby Sellers 1 year term. **Motion** by Councilperson Shoffner approving the aforementioned recommended appointments, seconded by Councilperson Conner, all ayes.
- Bound Brook Pool Report – Summer 2008 Registration – 20 adults, 42 children (under 18 years of age), 3 senior citizens and 16 were signed up for the swim lessons.
- Reviewing the 2008 Recreation Budget and looking to make some cuts.

Borough Engineer Report:

- No Report.

Borough Attorney Report:

- No Report.

Motion by Councilperson Allenovitch to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilperson Godleski, all ayes.

Donna Piazzolla – Sports Recreation Director

- Basketball Program is underway. Have a 7th and 8th grade girls and boys teams. The schedule is on the web site. 3rd and 4th grade clinic is underway and the K through 2nd program should be starting next Saturday.
- Teen Night is going well. Upwards of 30 kids per night have attended.

Peter Dykes – 122 Van Sickel Blvd.

- Women’s Community Health Service information should be put on the message board and also on the web site. It should be posted at Fellowship Hall and also the Churches.
- Bound Brook Pool – Thank you to Mayor Warrelmann and others for their efforts in getting membership at the Bound Brook pool a Shared Service.

Motion by Councilperson Godleski to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilperson Ormosi, all ayes.

Borough Clerk updated the Mayor and Council on election day, January 28th. Polls will open at 6:00 AM and close at 8:00 PM. The three districts in town will each have a voting machine. The new voting machines will register the vote electronically and also on paper.

Agenda:

2009 Contracts:

Motion by Councilperson Quinlan to approve Resolutions for 2009 Animal Control Contract with St. Huberts and the Recycling Agreement 2009 between Somerset County and the Borough of South Bound Brook, seconded by Councilperson Ormosi, discussion. Councilperson Conner asked about the Recycling Contract. Do we get a rebate from the County? Only if the County makes money then we get a rebate. Prices are low now, so no rebate expected. There is a grant that we get but it is a minimal amount. Councilperson Godleski asked if the Annual Recycling Schedule was received. Councilperson Shoffner asked about the Animal Control Contract. She asked why we don’t deal with a “no kill” shelter. St. Hubert’s euthanizes animals when they are diseased or may be a danger to humans. All in favor, all ayes.

Labor Attorney Discussion:

Tabled until February 3rd Meeting.

Hud Grant Applications:

Pre-applications are due the end of the month. Suggested projects are as follows: park equipment for handicapped; sidewalk along Maple Avenue Park and on High Streets; repave basketball court at Maple Avenue Park.

Firemen Applications:

Motion by Councilperson Conner to accept the two applications for Fire Department, Michael Kasperek and Leonardo Ramos, seconded by Councilperson Shoffner, all ayes.

Towing Resolution:

Motion by Councilperson Allenovtich to approve the following applicants for towing in the Borough of South Bound Brook for 2009 as reviewed by the Police Department: Somerset Hills Toweing, Rescue Wreckers LLC, Dependable Motors and Mike's Towing and Recovery, seconded by Councilperson Quinlan, discussion. All in favor, all ayes.

Taxi Resolution:

Held over until next month.

Historical Grant Resolution:

Motion by Councilperson Quinlan to approve Historic Grant Resolution in the amount of \$87,821.00, seconded by Councilperson Ormosi, discussion. All in favor, all ayes.

Canal Walkway Lighting Bid Rejection Resolution:

Motion by Councilperson Quinlan to approve Resolution Rejecting Bids for the Construction, Furnishing and Installation of Canal Walkway Lighting, as Part of the New Jersey Department of Transportation FY 2001 State Local Aid for Centers Program Project, Main Street Revitalization Projects, seconded by Councilperson Conner, discussion. Roll call vote taken, all ayes.

BINGO Resolution:

Motion by Councilperson Quinlan to approve BINGO Resolution for the South Bound Brook Senior Citizens Community Club Inc., seconded by Councilperson Shoffner, discussion, all in favor, all ayes.

Street Parking at Canal Crossing Discussion:

Councilperson Quinlan discussed the on-street parking situation at Canal Crossing. The Borough Engineer and the Chief of Police will have recommendations ready for next month's meeting.

On the subject of parking the Mayor asked about the parking situation at the school. Mayor would like an Ordinance addressing both situations ready for the February meeting.

Motion by Councilperson Quinlan to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilperson Shoffner, all ayes.

No public response.

Motion by Councilperson Quinlan to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilperson Godleski, all ayes.

Adjournment:

Having completed the peoples' business a **Motion** to adjourn was made by Councilperson Quinlan, seconded by Councilperson Godleski, all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald E. Kazar, Borough Clerk