

A regular meeting of Borough Council was held at 7:30 PM, Monday, September 10, 2012. Mayor Frank North presided. Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Prayer were observed. Announcement was made that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the "Open Public Meetings Act".

**ROLL CALL:**

Council Present: Volkert, Brennan, Madden and Perno, Clerk Brouse, Attorney Higgins and CFO Moules were present.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Marvin Gaskill, 102 E Chestnut**-last month the council president stated that there was a flaw in the application for the 606 abatement, have you received a new application? Nothing in writing or email by Mr. DePetro. Parking should be considered as a defect in the application. Ragan Design proposed a plan and the Planning Board approved, the West End Task Force provided a plan and not only were 604 W. Maple but also 109 Myrtle Avenue were included. The appraisal stated that parking was needed. 10% was reduced because of lack of parking. The Redeveloper's agreement states that 604 W. purchase is an option but not required. I would ask that council should reinstate parking.

**Rich James, 130 Westminster** –what does council think would be the cost to issue an RFP for the commission for consolidation. Facts about a potential merger should be looked at. Find it in your hearts to facilitate the commission moving forward.

**Bill Walker, 23 W Cedar**-606 W. Maple was discussed last month. Status of the parking provision? Any parking provided? Borough has not moved forward on parking at this time. Developer has not given the go ahead at this time. Environmental study done? Yes, it is clean, the Verizon lot is also clean. \$60,000 lien money, why he we not gotten it? Developer had deed to property? Still subject to the law suit. Mortgagee is challenging judge's decision. Off site improvements, would that include parking? Parking is separate. Alley way is still Borough's responsibility, no other plans at this time. Should the Court overturn the decision, what is our liability? We would take it to the next level of court. Did he go before HPC? Informally done, Mr. Higgins will look into it.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**-provided a written report

**CORRESPONDENCE****COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Mr. Volkert**- tree work is being done, sign changes and painting on Poplar, street and drain clean ups, scrap metal was sent, leaf season is approaching, looked into purchasing bags.

**Mr. Brennan**-Court \$7,485, added 388, disposed 404, \$30,000 ahead of last year. Police answered 380 calls, 107 traffic, 18 Boro Ordinance, 5 DWI, see police report.

**Mrs. Madden**-HPC heard 3 applications, 2 façade improvements and 1 garage removal. HPC will review the sign ordinance and send to Planning Board. Shade Tree is working on the list of trees with issues.

**Mr. Perno**-add window covers to building at Community Center. Use CP2 for Verizon drawing. Is the Fire department insured for the Beer fest? How do we get a survey of all Borough properties?

**Clerk's Report**-Classis towns have a display in Borough Hall of the different town photos. The town wide yard sale will take place on September 29<sup>th</sup>, rain or shine. New Jersey league of municipalities begins November 15<sup>th</sup>; let me know if you would like me to register you to attend. Bill Joseph will retire on October 11<sup>th</sup> and Borough employees will celebrate at the Blue Monkey at 4:30, let me know if you would

like to attend. Best Practices questions are ready for council review. The West Maple Task Force will meet at Borough Hall on September 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00.

#### OLD BUSINESS

#### NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions to be read by consent agenda: On a motion of Mr. Brennan and second of Mr. Volkert, Council approved the following resolutions by consent agenda:

#### R12-105

### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH OFFICE BASICS AND PAPER MART COMPANY FOR PRICE ONLY CONTRACTS FOR BID A-33, COPY AND COMPUTER PAPER AND ENVELOPES UNDER THE CAMDEN COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM, SYSTEM IDENTIFIER #57-CCCPS**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Camden, as the Lead Agency for the Camden County Cooperative Pricing System, System Identifier #57-CCCPS (Cooperative), received and opened bids at its Division of Purchasing on August 3, 2012 at 11:00 AM, Prevailing Time, for Bid A-33, Copy and Computer Paper and Envelopes for various Camden County Departments and municipalities under The Camden County Cooperative Pricing System, System Identifier #57-CCCPS, the receipt of which bids were duly advertised in accordance with law; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Board of Chosen Freeholders to award contracts to responsible bidders, for items listed herein for the needs of the County of Camden and other Cooperative Purchasing Members; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville to award contracts, for the items listed herein for the needs of the Borough of Merchantville; and

**WHEREAS**, funding for this purpose for the Borough of Merchantville shall not exceed the maximum line items for office supplies in the Borough's 2012 permanent budget and shall be encumbered prior to incurring the obligation pursuant to NJAC 5:30-5.5(b)(2); and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville that, contingent upon funding as described herein, the aforementioned Bid A-33, be and is hereby awarded to Office Basics and Paper Mart for Bid A-33, Copy and Computer Paper and Envelopes for the term commencing on or about September 1, 2012 through February 28, 2013 with the option of an additional six months extension to be exercised at the sole discretion of the County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the proper Borough officials be and are hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary to effect this award.

#### R12-106

### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF PAYMENT OF MARRIAGE LICENSES FEES**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville that the amount due for a marriage licenses be refunded to the below person(s) due to ceremony being canceled.

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Miguel Savala 124 Ivins Avenue Merchantville, NJ 08109	\$28.00

#### R12-107

### **RESOLUTION TO CANCEL SEWER CAPITAL APPROPRIATION BALANCES OF COMPLETED PROJECTS**

**WHEREAS**, certain Sewer Capital Improvement appropriation balances remain dedicated to projects now completed; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances so that the unexpended balances may be credited to Sewer Capital Surplus;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the council of the Borough of Merchantville, that the following unexpended and dedicated balances of Sewer Capital Appropriations be canceled:

Ordinance 96-07; 97-08	Various Sewer Improvements	18,613.67
Ordinance 01-13	Various Sewer Improvements	1.75
Ordinance 02-02	Repair to Sewer Lines	7,777.68
<b>Total</b>		<b>26,393.10</b>

#### **R12-108**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AWARDING CONTRACT FOR THE VICTORIA AND LESLIE ROAD PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Merchantville has received bids for the purpose of FY 2012 NJDOT Trust Fund reconstruction of Victoria and Leslie Streets of the Borough of Merchantville; and

**WHEREAS**, the base bid of \$165,023.50 and add alternate bid #1 \$21,641.21 was received from Cardinal Contracting, LLC, 1738 Route 206, Red Lion Circle, Southampton, New Jersey;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that the base bid of \$165,023.50 for the reconstruction of Victoria and Leslie Streets of the Borough of Merchantville is hereby awarded to Cardinal Contracting, LLC, 1738 Route 206, Red Lion Circle, Southampton, New Jersey, conditional upon the following:

1. That a certificate has been received from the Certified Municipal Finance Officer stating that funds are available for this Contract.
2. That the bid documents and bidding procedures have been reviewed and approved by the Municipal Solicitor.
3. That the presiding officer of this body be and is hereby directed to sign for and on its behalf the Contract for said services.
4. That the clerk of this body be and is hereby directed to seal said Contract with the corporate seal of this body and attest to the same.
5. This Resolution hereby authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to endorse the Contract document.

#### **R12-109**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, an emergent condition has arisen in the Borough of Merchantville to enter into a commitment to pay for the repair of the sanitary sewer system at the Right-of-Way at 710 Maple Avenue and no adequate provision was made in the 2012 Sewer Utility budget for the aforesaid purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 provides for the creation of an emergency appropriation for purpose mentioned above; and

**WHEREAS**, the total amount of the emergency appropriation created including the appropriation to be created by this resolution is \$ 35,211.35; and three percent of the total operations in the budget for the year is \$ 145,098.021 and;

**WHEREAS**, said emergency appropriation shall be provided in full in the 2013 budget; and

**WHEREAS**, said emergency appropriation shall be partially financed through the cancellation of certain funded amounts in Bond Ordinances 96-07, 97-08, 01-13 and 02-02; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the expenditures to be financed through this resolution are related to the aforementioned emergency.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville, Camden County, New Jersey, (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that two certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

**R12-110  
RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO NAT ALEXANDER  
COMPANY INC, FOR THE PURCHASE OF 45 SCOTT CARBON  
CYLINDERS FOR STRUCTUAL FIREFIGHTING**

**WHEREAS**, the Niagara Fire Company is in need of replacing breathing apparatus bottles for the volunteer firefighters; and

**WHEREAS**, quotes were obtained from Nat Alexander Company, Murphy Fire & Safety, Inc and Coastal Fire Systems, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, Nat Alexander Company is approved by State Contract # A-80961 for the purchase of the Scott carbon cylinders;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville, Camden County, New Jersey, that a contract is hereby awarded to Nat Alexander Company for the purchase Of 45 Scott carbon cylinders in the total amount of \$40,761.00.

**APPROVAL-Beerfest**-On a motion of Mr. Brennan and second of Mr. Volkert, council approved the beerfest.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**: On the motion of Mr. Volkert and second of Mr. Brennan, Council approved the following resolution:

**R12-111  
RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED** that the Report of the Department of Accounts and Auditing be accepted and spread upon the minutes and the Treasurer be is hereby authorized to pay bill approved therein.

<b>CURRENT FUND</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>
CHECKS CURRENT FUND		
2012 BUDGET	0.00	81,197.62
GRANTS		37,377.29
PFRS		
PERS		
DEBT SERVICE		
BOARD OF EDUCATION*		
CAMDEN COUNTY		
WIRE TRANSFERS PAYROLL 8/24/12-9/7/12		114,990.15
WIRES / MANUAL CHECKS		62,438.36
<b>TOTAL CURRENT</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>296,003.42</b>

**SEWER UTILITY**

CHECKS SEWER FUND			
	2012 BUDGET		349.00
	DEBT SERVICE		
WIRE TRANSFERS PAYROLL	8/24/12-9/7/12		4,491.41
WIRE NJEIT LOAN			
WIRES /MANUAL CHECKS			
TOTAL SEWER		0.00	4,840.41
<b>GENERAL CAPITAL FUND</b>			
CHECK CAPITAL FUND			30,187.15
MANUAL CHECK			
WIRE TRANSFERS PAYROLL			0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL		0.00	30,187.15
<b>TRUST FUND</b>			
CHECK TRUST OTHER FUND			10,513.84
WIRE TRANSFERS PAYROLL	8/24/12-9/7/12		8,254.84
WIRES / MANUAL CHECKS			100.00
TOTAL TRUST		0.00	18,868.68
<b>SEWER CAPITAL FUND</b>			
CHECK SEWER CAPITAL			
MANUAL CHECKS			
WIRE TRANSFERS PAYROLL			
TOTAL SEWER CAPITAL		0.00	0.00
<b>RECREATION TRUST</b>			
CHECK RECREATION TRUST	2012 BUDGET	550.00	123.00
MANUAL CHECKS			
WIRE TRANSFERS PAYROLL	8/24/12-9/7/12		356.20
TOTAL RECREATION		550.00	479.20
<b>ANIMAL TRUST FUND</b>			
ANIMAL TRUST CHECK			
TOTAL ANIMAL TRUST		0.00	0.00
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT</b>			
UNEMPLOYMENT CHECK			
TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT		0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL BILL LIST &amp; MANUAL CHECKS/WIRE</b>		550.00	350,378.86

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRIVATE SESSION

**ADJOURNMENT:** On the motion of Mr. Volkert and second of Mr. Perno, the meeting was adjourned at 8:37P.M.

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DENISE BROUSE  
BOROUGH CLERK