

Merchantville, March 28, 2016

A Caucus meeting of Borough Council was held at 7:30 PM, Monday, March 28, 2016. Mayor Edward Brennan 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, Swann, Grasso, Sperrazza, McLoone and Perno. Clerk Brouse, CFO Moules and Attorney Higgins were present.

**PUBLIC**

**Tim Bass-11 Russell Avenue-**Is someone coming from council to talk to residents about the issues that took place on Russell Avenue?. It is an ongoing issues and investigation and will visit in next few weeks.

**ENGINEER REPORT:**

Report was supplied by Tom Leisse

**NEW BUSINESS**

Approval Fire Member-Paul A. Trombetta

On a motion of Mr. Sperrazza and second of Mr. Grasso, council approved Fire Member Paul A. Trombetta

**OLD BUSINESS**

Budget Overview-Thanks everyone, Introduce April 11<sup>th</sup>, increase revenue, redevelopment  
See Click Fix

Community Center Project and cameras-more interior work-key fob system for side door (fob to Brett Lovelidge), basketball nets too high? Will be back up in 2-3 weeks.

COAH-March 31<sup>st</sup> hearing-Fair Housing Plant postponed to May 17<sup>th</sup>

St. Joseph's Carpentry-intro April 11<sup>th</sup>-HOME funds for rehab for St. Joes Carpentry

Resolutions to be approved during the caucus meeting: On a motion of Mr. Perno and second of Mr. Volkert, the following resolutions were approved by council:

**R16-59**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE,  
COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO  
APPROVE CONTRACTOR FOR THE COMMUNITY  
CENTER FLOORING PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville desires to remove the flooring in the senior center at the Community Center building; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough went out to bid for this project and Plymouth Environmental Company, Inc. was the lowest apparent bidder;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that approval has been granted for Plymouth Environmental Company Inc. 923 Haws Avenue, Norristown, PA 19401 to complete the asbestos abatement project at a cost not to exceed \$27,700.00 for total project.

**R16-60**

**AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS AND EXTENDING THE  
ADOPTION DATE OF THE 2016 BUDGET**

**WHEREAS**, adoption of the 2016 Municipal Budget has been delayed pending additional review of the Operating Budget and the proposed increase to the tax rate; and

**WHEREAS**, no provision was made in the 2016 Temporary Budget for budget appropriations beyond March 31, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, NJSA 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of an emergency temporary appropriation for operating expenditures when the adoption of the Municipal Budget has been delayed; and

**WHEREAS**, the total emergency operating expenditures for the second quarter of 2016 are expected to be \$ 1,057,396.59 for the Current Fund and \$ 75,557.48 for the Sewer Fund;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville in accordance with the provisions of NJSA 40A:4-20 that:

1. An emergency temporary appropriation in the amount of \$ 1,057,396.59 for the Current Fund and \$ 75,557.48 for the Sewer Fund is hereby made.
2. That said emergency temporary appropriations have been provided for in the 2016 Municipal Budget.

#### **R16-61**

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH TO ADVERTISE AND GO OUT TO BID FOR CONCRETE SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville wish to advertise and go out to bid for concrete sidewalk replacement in various location in the Borough of Merchantville;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that Denise Brouse, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Merchantville, be and hereby is authorized to prepare specifications and to advertise and solicit bids for said services for the Borough of Merchantville.

**Resolutions for agenda**-the following are business resolutions that will be included on the agenda for the council meeting:

Budget Introduction  
Refer Redevelopment Plan Amendment to Planning Board  
COLA

**Ordinances for adoption**-the following ordinances that will be included on the agenda for the council meeting:

**Ordinance for introduction**-the following ordinances will be included on the agenda for the Council meeting:

Redevelopment Plan Amendment  
COLA

#### **MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

On the motion of Mr. Perno and second of Mr. Volkert, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.

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DENISE BROUSE, BOROUGH CLERK