

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
BERGEN COUNTY, N.J.
MINUTES
APRIL 21, 2015
6:30 PM**

Mayor Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:30PM

Flag Salute, Moment of Silence

Sunshine Law: The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey have been satisfied by the inclusion of the date, time and place of this regular meeting in the annual schedule and notice of regular meetings of this Governing Body. Such annual schedule and notice of regular meetings is posted at Borough Hall, was sent to *The Record* and the *Ridgewood News*, posted on the Borough website and filed with the Borough of Dumont.

Roll Call:

Council members Correa (via phone), Hayes, Manna, Morrell, Zamechansky-present

Councilman Riquelme-absent

Mayor Kelly-present

Motion to accept agenda as presented: Councilman Manna

Second: Councilman Morrell

All in favor.

A proclamation was presented by Mayor Kelly to the Dumont Boys Travel Basketball Team

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Councilwoman Correa

No report

- Councilman Hayes

Joint Land Use Board

There is an application on next meeting's agenda to add antennas to the DPW monopole.

Finance

Hopefully, the budget will be put out in May.

- Councilman Manna

The Councilman expressed concern about the application for the monopole. They are looking to extend the pole another 29' and add twelve additional antennas. There are enough poles and antennas in Dumont.

Councilman Manna and Administrator Perkins had attended a meeting with CSX regarding the oil trains going through Dumont. CSX made it clear that U.S. railroads are controlled by the federal government. CSX would like to accomplish several things this year in cooperation with the municipalities along the line. They would like to conduct training programs for the eleven towns, improve communication with first responders and see if we can put together lobbying to improve the tank cars. The concern is the support

received from CSX if there ever was a major accident. The OEM coordinators are planning on working on an evacuation plan.

- Councilman Morrell

Shade Tree Commission

Arbor Day is scheduled for this Saturday on West Shore Avenue at 12:30PM.

The Councilman spoke to the Borough engineer regarding the condition of Depew Street. The maintenance bond is still in effect.

- Councilwoman Zamechansky

Seniors

They had their St. Patrick's Day party. On March 25th the Councilwoman joined them for a trip to the City to see the Radio City Music Hall show, followed by dinner. They are currently holding a canasta tournament.

Fire Department

In March, there were 29 alarms and 967 man hours.

Police Department

There were 1,818 telephone calls for service in March; 79 calls for medical reasons. Patrol issued 353 traffic summonses, investigated 28 motor vehicle crashes and responded to 23 burglar alarms. The Detective Bureau handled 43 criminal cases.

The Councilwoman reported that she met with the Cresskill Police Chief regarding Dumont taking over their 911 services and hopefully we will also get Haworth's 911- trying to bring revenue to the town.

Celebrations

The 5K Run is scheduled for September 5th and Dumont Day will be held September 12th.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Our Mutual Aid group, which consists of eleven towns, has been working on an evacuation plan. They requested maps of our sewers in case the oil goes into the sewer system, which happened in Canada.

FEMA conducted a meeting here at the Senior Center for residents who have flood insurance. There will be another meeting pertaining to flood insurance. By being part of the Community Rating System, the town can do certain things to reduce the cost of flood insurance.

Review of Consent Agenda Items: All items with an asterisk are considered to be non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one motion. There may be further discussion prior to the vote upon request of a member of the public or a Council member. Also, any item may be removed for further discussion or for roll call vote in which case the item will be removed and considered in its normal sequence as part of the general order of business.

RESOLUTIONS

#15-116 Bills List *

#15-117 Bride Vaughn-Hire as Part-time Building Department Clerk-\$15,000 *

#15-118 Kathryn McGrath-Accept Resignation as Dixon Homestead Library Acting Director *

#15-119 Approval of Hazard Mitigation Plan *

#15-120 Approval of Dumont High School Music Boosters On-premise Merchandise Raffle to be held June 5 and June 6, 2015; ID#109-5-36714, RL#429 *

#15-121 Approval of Dumont High School Music Boosters On-premise Cash Raffle to be held June 5 and June 6, 2015; ID#109-5-36714, RL#430 *

#15-122 Support of Promoting the American Cancer Society "Relay for Life" *

#15-123 Support of Assembly Bill A-4235 Amending Title 54:4-65-Printing Separate Municipal Tax Bills *

Motion to open to the public: Councilwoman Zamechansky
Second: Councilman Manna
All in favor.

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Second: Councilman Manna
All in favor.

Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda: Councilman Morrell
Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky
Roll call vote: Council members Correa, Hayes, Manna, Morrell, Zamechansky-yes

ORDINANCES

Second Reading

#1485 Replacing Chapter 75, Section 6-Police Department of the Borough Code
Motion to waive formal reading: Councilman Manna
Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky
Motion to open to the public: Councilwoman Zamechansky
Second: Councilman Manna
All in favor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilman Manna
Second: Councilman Morrell
All in favor.

Motion to adopt on second reading: Councilwoman Zamechansky
Second: Councilman Manna
Roll call vote: Council members Correa, Hayes, Manna, Morrell, Zamechansky-yes

#1486 Bond Ordinance Amending Bond Ordinance #1434 Providing a Supplemental Appropriation of \$79,303 for Various Improvements to the Sewer Infrastructure in and by the Borough of Dumont in the County of Bergen, New Jersey and Authorizing the Issuance of \$75,526 of Bonds or Notes to Finance Part of the Cost thereof.
Motion to waive formal reading: Councilman Manna
Second: Councilman Morrell
All in favor.

There was no discussion from the Council.

Motion to open to the public: Councilwoman Zamechansky
Second: Councilman Morrell
All in favor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilman Manna
Second: Councilman Morrell
All in favor.

Motion to adopt on second reading: Councilman Manna
Second: Councilman Morrell
Roll call vote: Council members Correa, Hayes, Manna, Morrell, Zamechansky-yes

#1487 Bond Ordinance Amending Section 3 of Bond Ordinance #1478 and Providing a Supplemental Appropriation of \$78,534 for Road Improvements in and by the Borough of Dumont in the County of Bergen New Jersey and Authorizing the Issuance of \$78,534 of Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance part of the Cost thereof.

Motion to waive formal reading: Councilman Manna

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

All in favor.

There was no discussion from the Council.

Motion to open to the public: Councilman Manna

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

All in favor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilman Manna

Second: Councilman Morrell

All in favor.

Motion to adopt on second reading: Councilman Manna

Second: Councilman Morrell

Roll call vote: Council members Correa, Hayes, Manna, Morrell, Zamechansky-yes

#1488 Calendar Year 2015-Ordinance to Exceed Municipal Budget Appropriation Limit and Establish a Cap Bank (NJSA 40A:4-45.14)

Motion to waive formal reading: Councilman Manna

Second: Councilman Hayes

All in favor.

There was no discussion from the public.

Motion to open to the public: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Morrell

All in favor.

1. Liz Marchese, 235 Larch Avenue, asked the percentage over the cap and the amount in the cap bank? What is the necessity?

Motion to close to the public: Councilman Morrell

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

All in favor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilman Morrell

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

All in favor.

Motion to adopt on second reading: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Morrell

Roll call vote: Council members Correa, Hayes, Manna, Morrell, Zamechansky-yes

First Reading

#1489 Ordinance Repealing Chapter 31 of the Dumont Code-Establishment of Ethics Board

Motion to waive formal reading: Councilman Manna

Second: Councilman Morrell

All in favor.

Councilman Manna explained that the State would be handling all ethics complaints once this ordinance is adopted.

Councilwoman Zamechansky explained that there had been only one complaint heard by the Municipal Ethics Board and after going over the budget the Finance Committee felt it was not feasible to keep it in town.

Motion to pass on first reading: Councilman Hayes

Second: Councilman Morrell

Roll call vote: Council members Correa, Hayes, Manna, Morrell, Zamechansky-yes

Motion to open to the public for General Comments: Councilman Manna

Second: Councilwoman Zamechansky

All in favor.

1. Richard McLaughlin, 358 Prospect Avenue, asked what the town is giving up by eliminating the Ethics Board. The Mayor responded if there is a complaint, it would be referred to the State.

2. Lynn Vietri, 41 Wilkens Drive, asked the costs for a new Borough Hall. The Mayor responded that preliminary numbers have shown that all the scenarios are very close-between \$11 million and \$12.5 million. Ms. Vietri asked if any information from the March 30th closed session minutes can be shared. The answer was no.

3. Debbie Tamburro, 125 Roosevelt Avenue, asked the status of the Roosevelt Avenue project. The Mayor responded that the Engineer is redoing the numbers and then it should move forward quickly. A pipe will be provided in the street which the residents can hook up to.

4. Rachel Bunin, 9 Poplar Street, asked if soil remediation was done at D'Angelo's. The Mayor responded no. Ms. Bunin asked when the AdHoc committee will be meeting again. Can we make sure that when there is a Joint Land Use Board application, there is an affordable housing component required? Ms. Bunin commented that we have the worst website.

5. Rich McLaughlin, 358 Prospect Avenue, commented on a process of deadening the oil as a solution to the dangers.

6. Tom Gorman, 46 Wilkens, questioned the Cresskill 911 report by Councilwoman Zamechansky and asked if we have the manpower to cover it. Cresskill has only about 300 calls a year.

7. Matthew Balin, 12 Elizabeth Street, asked at what point the verbiage pertaining to affordable housing in Joint Land Use Board resolutions would be in effect. Mr. Balin asked the amount in our budget allotted for road reconstruction so we don't have to bond.

8. Mary Gilmore, 26 Fleetwood, stated that Johnson Avenue should be paved. We should not award the lowest bid for paving. If there are laws in the town, why are people able to apply for variances and win?

9. Liz Marchese, Larch Avenue, stated that if we can't have affordable housing tagged on to new construction because we don't know what our COAH responsibility is now, how does it impact the Landmark lawsuit? She asked why we can't be proactive with new applications being submitted to the Joint Land Use Board.

Motion to close to the public: Councilwoman Zamechansky

Second: Councilman Morrell

All in favor.

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Manna

Second: Councilman Morrell

All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Susan Connelly, RMC

Municipal Clerk