

**BOROUGH OF DUMONT
BERGEN COUNTY, N.J.
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 22, 2022
6:30 PM**

Mayor LaBruno called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

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 time, date and location of this public meeting of the Governing Body by means of communication equipment, N.J.S.A. 10:4-8(b) on the Borough website, Borough Hall, The Record and Ridgewood News and Facebook.

Roll Call:

Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart: Present
Mayor: Andrew LaBruno: Present

Motion to accept the agenda as presented: Councilwoman Rossillo
Second: Councilwoman Stewart
All in favor.

Motion to approve the January 25, 2022 Public Meeting minutes: Councilwoman Rossillo
Second: Councilwoman Stewart
Roll call vote: Councilmembers Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart

Motion to approve the January 25, 2022 Closed Session minutes: Councilwoman Rossillo
Second: Councilwoman Stewart
Roll call vote: Councilmembers Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart

Motion to approve the February 8, 2022 Public Meeting minutes: Councilwoman Rossillo
Second: Councilwoman Stewart
Roll call vote: Councilmembers Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart

Engineers Report – John Dunlea, Neglia Engineers

Mr. Dunlea reported on the DEP MS4 outfall mapping. They identified 57 outfalls and collected all required recording data and submitted same to NJDEP and DPW. With respect to NJDEP, the Borough is up to date. Mr. Dunlea stated they are updating the Borough's zoning map, and have provided it to the Borough for review. He anticipates completion next week. The Engineer is also reviewing sewer inspection reports as it relates to roadway improvement planning. They commenced review of sanitary sewer inspection videos and reports for various roadways throughout the Borough, and have identified areas where sewers need substantial repair. They will look to tag team that with roadway improvements, and will provide a colorized map identifying those locations. Regarding Veterans Memorial Park basketball court reconstruction, the change order at the previous meeting was approved and the contractor has commenced the work. The Borough will be bonding for roadway improvement projects along Virginia Avenue and Bedford Road, which also includes DOT funding. The Engineer will commence survey and

design starting late next week. The design should be complete by end of April, and submitted to DOT for Bedford Road for their review and approval. This project should bid in late spring/early summer, with paving during the summer months. The Riverside Coop roads should also be paved during the summer months, once those roadways have been bid.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Gorman

- *Police*

There were 1,743 calls for service, 96 for medical service calls, 24 for fire calls and 6 for commitments. There were 209 traffic summonses issued, 139 parking and 73 moving; 29 motor vehicle accident investigations; 18 burglar alarms were responded to; 119 dark house slips were issued. This is a notice issued when a house appears to be poorly lit, as it is something individuals who are involved in burglary look for.

Councilman Harvilla

- *Library*

The Library Board of Trustees meeting was held on Wednesday, February 23rd, and the newly appointed member, Amanda Karpinski, was administered the oath of office. The Board issued a resolution approving the project and authorizing the execution and delivery of the grant agreement for the NJ State Construction Bond Act. It is supported by the resolution #22-114 on tonight's agenda. The next meeting is tomorrow night, March 23rd.

- *Ordinance Committee*

Tonight's first readings of 1598, 1601, 1602, 1603, 1604 and 1605 are the result of multiple meetings of the committee which the Councilman is a member and is chaired by Councilwoman Novoa.

- *Finance Committee*

The Councilman, along with Councilwoman Novoa continue advancing through the analysis drafting an adoption of Borough's 2022 budget. Tonight's first reading of Ordinance #1600 represents a significant step towards establishing greater agility in the annual timing of various capital improvements.

Councilwoman Novoa

- No reports

Councilwoman Rossillo

- *Board of Education*

Dumont High School was evacuated for the smell of gas. It was later discovered that it was due to an unattended Bunsen burner.

Councilwoman Stewart

No reports

Councilman Russell

- *Shared Services*

The committee started the process of looking at pricing and applying for a grant for shared services of garbage collection with Bergenfield.

- *Shade Tree Commission*

The volunteer day last Saturday was canceled due to inclement weather. It is rescheduled for this coming Sunday from 12 noon until 2:00 p.m. They are looking for volunteers to help out in the nursery.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Leibman received follow up questions from the last meeting regarding the PILOT. The percentage the Borough can charge is two percent of the gross construction costs, which is included in the PILOT. The fee the Borough collects is either two percent of the gross construction costs, ten percent of gross revenue or \$3,500.00 per unit, for years one through fifteen of the PILOT. The \$3,500.00 per unit amounts to \$434,000.00 per year. The gross construction costs, per the audit was \$21,663,453.00, and two percent of that is \$433,269.00. It's very close, and our auditors are continuing to review it to make sure it is completely accurate. If the ten percent of gross revenue exceeds the \$434,000.00, then the Borough gets to collect that difference after we review an audit. The audit is reported within 90 days of the end of the fiscal or calendar year. The developer is using December 31st. The economy is going through a period of inflation now and rental rates are strong. If the rent for the total property exceeds \$4,340,000.00 per year, then ten percent will be more than the \$434,000.00 and the Borough will start to collect more. It's conceivable that could happen in a few years based on the strength of the rental market.

There are ordinances on tonight's agenda, some of which have been a work in progress for over a year, and there are some more in the pipeline. There are some updates to definitions; the pool ordinance which includes language from the international swimming pool and spa code; the fees which are still modest; the limiting schedule which tells you setbacks, lot sizes with an added reference to the Floor Area Ratio; the police department ordinance bans overnight parking at the Borough parks without approval.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor LaBruno reported that he and the Administrator have been working with PSE&G to update the power grid out of the Veteran's Plaza substation. They will be replacing approximately 200 or more poles in town to complete that upgrade. It is a necessary upgrade, and PSE&G has been marking out where they will be working. The Mayor commended the Finance Committee for recognizing the need for the improvements in town and pushing forward with fixing the roads. Our DPW does a great job filling the potholes, but the winter comes along and they get ripped up. The time comes when you have to start paving. He hopes the Council approves this tonight, and the Borough can start these much-needed projects.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The Administrator stated there was a site meeting with Borough professionals, the contractor and RVE regarding Gina's Field progress. It is scheduled to be complete by mid to late June. A couple of concerns were addressed but much of the progress comes down to delivery of parks equipment. Twin Boro dug out will be installed by the end of the month and the scoreboard will be delivered and installed by early April. Memorial Park curbing will be complete this Saturday and asphalt colorization of the court, along with installation of basketball hoops in early April. The Finance Committee had several meetings over the past month. Mr. Tully commends Councilman Harvilla and Councilwoman Novoa for all their hard work which leads to tonight's ordinance to address many infrastructure needs in the Borough. The budget workbook will be provided this week. This capital ordinance tonight is primarily to deal with the infrastructure issues in the Borough. We are dedicated to paving Virginia, Bedford, Chestnut, Highwood, Colonial and Garden this year. Additionally, Grant Avenue was planned for last year, but we did not want to disturb the daily operations of the school, and will be completed this summer. He

commends the Governing Body for moving forward on some long delayed and much needed infrastructure improvements in the Borough. The Borough will hold a planning meeting for the Memorial Day parade, and the Easter Egg Event is still on for April 9th. The sodding begun in front of Borough Hall, and the DPW is cleaning out their old equipment to sell on GovDeals. The Borough will be advertising for DPW Laborer and Mechanic, and he hopes to have the new Borough website up in May. Mr. Tully commended the Mayor for lobbying with PSE&G and prioritizing this project.

The Municipal Clerk read the 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

- #22-109 – Approval of Grant School PTO 50/50 Cash Raffle Application *
- #22-110 – Accept Application from Ryan Hanley as Probationary Firefighter *
- #22-111 – Authorization of Boiler Maintenance Agreement – Reiner Group, LLC *
- #22-112 – Authorization of Temporary Emergency Appropriation *
- #22-113 – Approval of Change in April Mayor and Council Executive Meeting Date *
- #22-114 – Approval of NJ Library Construction Bond Act Project & Authorize Execution of Grant Agreement *
- #22-115 – Approval of Block Party on Cypress Road *
- #22-116 – Endorsement of Vantage Health CDBG Project for Annex Building *
- #22-117 – Approval to Participate in LEAP Implementation Grant *
- #22-118 – Award of Emergency Contract Columbia Avenue Sewer Repair *
- #22-119 – Authorize 2021 Budget Account Transfers *
- #22-120 – Adopt 2022 Emergency Temporary Appropriations *
- #22-121 – Authorization to Advertise for RFQ for Construction Litigation Attorney *

Councilman Harvilla commented that he is grateful that the Governing Body is moving forward with resolution #22-114 which allows the Library to move forward with their project.

Public Comment - Consent Agenda Only

Motion to open to the public for Comments on Consent Agenda Only: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilwoman Stewart

All in favor.

1. Bruce deLyon, Beacon Street, stated some of his questions were already answered. He had questions about the bond ordinance being charged in Resolution #114, and the grant being applied for in Resolution #117. Dr. deLyon questioned how much trash collection might cost, and if the \$69,000 in Resolution #112 is new money or money that will be bonded. He also commented about the ordinances being posted to the website.
2. Lynn Vietri, Wilkens Drive, asked if Resolution #118 was related to the CSX issue and if Wilkens Drive is one of the streets that PSE&G is scheduled to do work on.
3. Maryann Russini, Roosevelt Avenue, questioned if the RFQ for Construction Litigation Attorney is to replace Peckar Abrahamsen and what the \$69,000 in Resolution #112 is

being used for. She asked if Bergenfield would take over the Borough's garbage collection and would like clarification on the process.

4. Tom Kelly, Beacon Street, asked if the Columbia Avenue sewer repair is related to the previous issue. He suggested looking into the bulk item pick up schedule if we move forward with a shared service for garbage collection, and if the Borough can provide what we pay for tipping fees and what we pay the contractor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilwoman Stewart

All in favor.

Mayor LaBruno stated PSE&G is not working on Wilkens Drive. He said the current Construction attorney has a conflict of interest in the Borough's case against the contractor. Therefore, the Borough has to go out to RFQ for a secondary attorney. Sometimes the Borough Attorney does need to discuss the matter with the Construction Attorney. The shared service agreement for garbage collection with Bergenfield is extremely preliminary.

Mr. Leibman stated we will not know if the Borough will move forward with the shared service agreement for garbage collection until we gather all the data, figure out exactly what it will cost, and if it will save enough money to justify the disruption it is going to create. It's not inexpensive to buy the garbage cans that the Borough will need, which will approach \$1 million. The Borough will have to decide if the residents will buy their own garbage cans or it will bond for them. Who will cover the cost of the truck beyond the grant amount? Will the cost of the trash pick-up be based on the number of each resident or household? It is a long, complex process. There are two Councilmembers on the Shared Service Committee who are attending the meetings and will report to the residents on the progress. Bergenfield ordered trucks over a year ago. It may be an 18 month to a two-year process.

Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilwoman Stewart

Roll call vote: Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart – yes

ORDINANCES

2nd Reading

#1595 Ordinance to Amend Chapter 36 of the Dumont Borough Code - Fire Department

Motion to waive formal reading: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Russell

All in favor.

There was no discussion from the Council.

Motion to open to the public: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilwoman Stewart

All in favor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilwoman Stewart

All in favor.

Motion to adopt on 2nd reading: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

Roll Call Vote: Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart – yes

2nd Reading

#1596 Establishment of the Borough of Dumont Committee of Arts, Beautification & Economic Development

Motion to waive Formal Reading: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

All in favor.

Mayor LaBruno stated that Councilman Harvilla is the Liaison to this Committee, and they believe merging these committees makes sense since they flow nicely together. He is very happy to add an arts element to this process. Some members will be merged into this committee, as well as some new faces for the arts committee.

Motion to open to the public: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

All in favor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

All in favor.

Motion to adopt on 2nd reading: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

Roll Call Vote: Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart – yes

2nd Reading

#1597 Ordinance to Amend Chapter 322-2 of the Dumont Borough Code - Rent Leveling Board

Motion to waive Formal Reading: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

All in favor.

Mayor LaBruno explained they are making this Board a little smaller. The Board does not see much action.

Motion to open to the public: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

All in favor.

Motion to close to the public: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

All in favor.

Motion to adopt on 2nd reading: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second:

Roll Call Vote: Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart – yes

1st Reading

#1598 Ordinance to Amend Chapter 355-3 of the Dumont Borough Code – Site Plan Approval

Motion to waive Formal Reading: Councilman Gorman

Second: Councilwoman Rossillo

All in favor.

Mr. Leibman reminded everyone that this gets rid of the change in user requirement that forces a business to go in front of the Land Use Board. It is a very business friendly amendment to the Borough ordinance.

Mayor LaBruno stated he receives complements about the Borough's Building Department from business owners. They have said they are a pleasure to work with, and they understand the business owners and are very helpful. This is another piece of the puzzle to help move things forward.

Motion to pass on 1st Reading: Councilman Gorman

Second: Councilwoman Rossillo

Roll Call Vote: Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart – yes

1st Reading

#1600 Bond Ordinance Providing for Various Capital Improvements by the Borough of Dumont, Appropriating the Aggregate Amount of \$2,606,500 therefor, including the Aggregate Amount of \$737,541.85 in Grant Funds Expected to be Received from the State of New Jersey and the County of Bergen and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,537,500 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof

Motion to waive Formal Reading: Councilman Gorman

Second: Councilwoman Rossillo

All in favor.

Mayor LaBruno stated the Borough's roads are dire need of repair, and he is glad to see this on tonight's agenda. The Borough will be moving forward on seven roads. They would like to do more, but they are being considerate of how they bond. The Mayor is also happy to see \$737,000.00 in grant funds expected to be received from the State and CDBG.

Councilman Harvilla commented that traditionally the bond ordinance is not passed until after the budget is fully approved. The challenge with that is significant infrastructure support programs, maintenance programs, capital improvement plans are pushed off until the Borough is able to pursue the funding. They are approving an ordinance for capital improvements that the Borough knows it has to move forward with, not the bells and whistles that are part of a wish list. These are the must dos to ensure the infrastructure remains strong, the roads get paved in an appropriate manner, the police department is taken care with the vehicles they need, and in a way that is fiscally responsible. Passing this ordinance early allows the Borough to begin the process of funding these projects earlier in the year so we can begin road repaving in the summer.

Motion to pass on 1st Reading: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilwoman Novoa

Roll Call Vote: Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart – yes

1st Reading

#1601 Ordinance to Amend Chapter 283-4 of the Dumont Borough Code – Recreation; Use of Vehicles

Motion to waive Formal Reading: Councilman Gorman

Second: Councilwoman Rossillo

All in favor.

Mr. Leibman stated this bans parking at the town's parks. Mr. Tully said it allows parking until 11 p.m. at some of the Borough fields because there are recreation programs going on.

Motion to pass on 1st Reading: Councilwoman Stewart

Second: Councilman Russell

Roll Call Vote: Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart – yes

1st Reading

#1602 Ordinance to Amend Chapter 455-5 of the Dumont Borough Code – Definitions & Words Usage

Motion to waive Formal Reading: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

All in favor.

There was no discussion from the Council.

Motion to pass on 1st Reading: Councilwoman Stewart

Second: Councilman Russell

Roll Call Vote: Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart – yes

1st Reading

#1603 Ordinance to Amend Chapter 182-2 of the Dumont Borough Code - Fees

Motion to waive Formal Reading: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilwoman Novoa

All in favor.

There was no discussion from the Council.

Motion to pass on 1st Reading: Councilwoman Stewart

Second: Councilman Russell

Roll Call Vote: Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart – yes

1st Reading

#1604 Ordinance to Amend Chapter 455-35 of the Dumont Borough Code – Limiting Schedule

Motion to waive Formal Reading: Councilwoman Stewart

Second: Councilman Russell

All in favor.

There was no discussion from the Council.

Motion to pass on 1st Reading: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

Roll Call Vote: Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart – yes

1st Reading

#1605 Ordinance to Amend Chapter 392 of the Dumont Borough Code – Swimming Pools

Motion to waive Formal Reading: Councilwoman Stewart

Second: Councilman Gorman

All in favor.

Mayor LaBruno asked the Borough Attorney to explain this ordinance. Mr. Leibman stated the Borough revised the swimming pool ordinance during COVID. The previous building inspector requested updates because it did not include the international swimming pool and spa code. The Borough included the creativity some people use when installing a pool, as well as regulations regarding the electrical and gas supply and fencing. It also includes temporary spas and provisions for how far they need to be from property lines and houses.

Mayor LaBruno questioned the ten-foot set back from the property line, and if that is part of the international swimming pool and spa code. Mr. Leibman stated it is very common, and they can always go for a variance.

Councilman Harvilla stated he read through the international swimming pool and spa code.

Motion to pass on 1st Reading: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

Roll Call Vote: Council members: Gorman, Harvilla, Novoa, Rossillo, Russell, Stewart – yes

Public Comment - General Comments

Motion to open to the public for general comments: Councilwoman Stewart

Second: Councilman Gorman

All in favor.

1. Mary Normoyle, Randolph Avenue, she thanked the Clerk for getting back to her and Mr. Leibman for answering her questions. She asked how much tax revenue would have been collected had a PILOT not been in place. Ms. Normoyle commented on the PILOT process, and asked the attorney if he fashioned a PILOT agreement before. Where would the thermometer money go if they were sold on GovDeals?
2. Bruce deLyon, Beacon Street, commented on Ordinance #1600 and the selection of streets that are scheduled to be repaved. He questioned the \$45,000 change order used from old bond issues, and how much unused bonding money is still left. He asked if there are plans to apply for more grant money?
3. Maryann Russini, Roosevelt Avenue, asked about the ADA door estimates. She asked if the landscaper is paying for his electric and if we moved the shed for the DPW. Also, is there a permanent fence?
4. Lynn Vietri, Wilkens Drive, questioned why Ordinance #1599 – Overnight Parking, prohibition on the street parking from 2 a.m. until 6 a.m. was removed from the original agenda. Is the Borough revisiting parking on the street all year-round? She feels some of the streets are so narrow.
5. Tom Kelly, Beacon Street, asked if the conflict with the Construction Attorney is something in Dumont or a situation outside of Dumont. With regards to Ordinance #1601, he feels the part about biking off pathways, sledding in the parks, etc. is a bit restrictive. In regards to pools, if changes could be compared to what it currently is.

Motion to close to the public: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

All in favor.

Mayor LaBruno requested that Ordinance #1599 be pulled from the agenda, as he feels there needs to be a larger conversation. He understands some residents need street parking, but he also understands the concerns of other residents. Maybe the Borough can do survey, and see what the residents want. In reference to paving roads, the Borough has paved six small roads in all different areas. The larger roads are more travelled and for safety, they have to be taken care of.

The CFO explained that if the Borough sells items at auction, that money goes to MRNA (miscellaneous revenue not anticipated). It's unexpected funds that would go into the Borough's coffers and would lapse into surplus after two years.

Mayor LaBruno stated that the Borough is seeking more grant monies. That is the reason we have a grant writer. They work with our DPW, Police and Fire Department, and we get grants for the roads. The Borough gets as many grants as we can, and some of them are matching, but it helps offset the costs for the taxpayers. It's federal, state and county money, but it's the Borough resident's money.

The Borough Administrator stated the Columbia Avenue resolution is related to the CSX issue and the Borough plans to sell excess materials on GovDeals. The ordinances were posted on the website on Monday. The DPW leadership provides a list of roads in need of repair and ranks them for the road program. Regarding the capital bonds, the Borough is working with the Finance team to analyze the previous capital bonds. As we look through the previous capital bonds, they will work together to make sure they incorporate those monies and any additional money they need to address through a secondary bond ordinance. Mr. Tully requested additional quotes for the ADA doors because he believed the quotes were too high. The ADA doors are not required under regulation, but the Borough is committed to move forward with the project. The shed will be moved from the parking lot at Gina's Field. The fence at the Asplindt property is not permanent. Regarding the question on the Ordinance #1601, the concern about the bikes in the park was already long established in the ordinance. The Borough was not satisfied with the end result of the basketball court, and the Borough Engineer provided recommendations which resulted in the change order. The goal is to have a great basketball court, along with Memorial Park Phase I, which is the park equipment and Phase II which the Borough was awarded a grant. For the next meeting, there is a deadline approaching for Open Space funds, and he will be meeting with the Recreation Committee to discuss Phase III for Memorial Park or elsewhere in the community.

Mr. Leibman stated the conflict with the Construction Attorney does not arise out of Dumont. Bennett's performance bond company is a nationwide company and they have a matter pending in Chicago which Peckar Abrahamsen is representing the surety. Very commonly, waivers are granted, but Bennett has refused to consent to allow his surety to waive this conflict. Therefore, the Borough needs to get a new Construction Attorney. Mr. Leibman stated he would not handle this, as he does not specialize in the area of law.

Councilman Gorman thanked the Borough Attorney and Ordinance Committee for doing a great job with the updates.

Councilman Harvilla commended the CFO and Borough Administrator for the deep dive into the outstanding bonds and stated they will be incorporated into a remediating process for this year's budget to reduce the budgetary impact. Regarding the question to Ordinance #1601, the language regarding the bicycles has been long established and already codified at some of the signage at most of the Borough parks. The Councilman stated he is in favor of selling any materials that are obsolete, but based on his personal perspective it is irresponsible to sell the thermometers just because a particular part of the Covid trajectory has passed by. The Councilman gave his personal perspective to a resident's questions regarding the EDC. He stated that the Borough's downtown has needed revitalization for quite a significant amount of time, and Covid-19 presented unique and rapidly evolving changes and challenges to all of our businesses. The Borough needs to explore viable mechanisms that will revitalize our downtown, and support our

existing businesses; create a fertile environment for new businesses. It needs to be positive and inviting atmosphere for our residents, while acting as a beacon for drawing in a broader consumer base for our downtown as a whole. Many of our businesses rely on Borough foot traffic, and the Borough needs to find ways to promote the business environment appropriately because we are not a chamber of commerce. It should be done in ways that are sustainable, environmentally appropriate and operationally and logistically supportable, meaning what the Borough infrastructure can maintain. The realignment of resources under the Arts, Beautification and Economic Development Committee is a step forward, and the creation of a cohesive streetscape. There should be a three to five-year plan that is financially feasible, and parking is also a challenge. The Borough has very little undeveloped land, and the Borough has many professionals lending guidance when vetting out viable options for development and growth that would be environmentally sound and community friendly while fulfilling obligations as a municipality.

Mayor LaBruno added that the Boy Scouts visited the Borough Hall and asked the Mayor what his goals were. The Mayor answered the revitalization of the downtown, street paving and improvements to the Borough parks. He stated he is excited to see the direction the Borough is going in. The Mayor also announced the Easter Egg Hunt will be April 9th at Memorial Park, and the Memorial Day Parade will be back on this year.

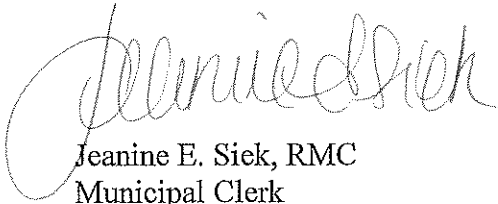
Motion to adjourn: Councilwoman Rossillo

Second: Councilman Gorman

All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:



Jeanine E. Siek, RMC
Municipal Clerk

