

Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale
Work Session Meeting Minutes
May 28, 2015

A Work Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale was held in the Municipal Building at 500 West Crescent Avenue, Allendale, NJ on 7:34, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mayor White who asked that the Interim Municipal Clerk Read the open public meetings statement:

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public meetings Law. This meeting of May 28, 2015, was included in the list of meetings notice sent to the Record, Ridgewood News, Star Ledger on January 7, 2015 and advertised in said newspapers on January 10, 2015, posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building on January 7, 2015 and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call:

The following individuals answered roll call: Councilmembers Bernstein, Homan, Sasso, Strauch, Wilczynski, and Mayor White chaired the meeting.

Absent: Councilwoman McSwiggan

Raymond Wiss, Municipal Attorney, and Deborah Fehre, Interim Municipal Clerk, were also present.

Public Comments:

Mayor White opened the meeting to comments from the public.

There were no comments from the public

Proclamation:

Mayor White stated that it was a real pleasure for her to read and present the following proclamation, which is dear to our hearts:

In Recognition of Allendale's Emergency Medical Services Week

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, and others; and

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WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; now

THEREFORE, I Elizabeth White, Mayor of the Borough of Allendale, in the State of New Jersey, in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 17-23, 2015, as Emergency Medical Services Week.

The Mayor presented the proclamation to the 12 members of the Allendale Volunteer Ambulance Corps in attendance. She commended the amount of time, training, service, and talent given with compassion and consideration it is amazing.

There was a special presentation by Ellen Hillman, who thanked the Mayor and Council for the honor tonight and thanked the audience for sharing this honor. She commented that the ambulance corps just had the blessing of the new ambulance which is an outgrowth of their renewed relationship with the Borough of Saddle River. They celebrate all members, new and longtime, who get up and out to serve those in need. There is one member of exceptional dedication that they would like to recognize, John L. Alstar, in celebration of 57 years of dedication to the corps.

Mr. Alstar served as president, captain, is a lifetime member, and a Star of Life recipient, he started on November 1, 1958 and has a wealth of knowledge, he is an encyclopedia of all things.

Ms. Hillman, on behalf of the Allendale Volunteer Ambulance Corps, presented the plaque for 57 years of dedicated service with their utmost thanks and respect. Congratulations.

They also presented flowers to Mrs. Alstar, who deserves more than flowers for 57 years of Mr. Alstar hoping out of bed in the middle of the night to serve on the ambulance.

Discussion: Zoning/Safety Requirements

Mayor White announced that this item was pulled from agenda and will be discussed in committee.

Administration: Agenda Review

Ordinances for Second Reading and Public Hearing

Mayor White read the titles of the ordinances to be adopted at the regular meeting to follow.

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| Ordinance 15-15 | An Ordinance To Establish Chapter 238 Of The Code Of The Borough Of Allendale Entitled "Temporary Storage Containers" |
| Ordinance 15-16 | An Ordinance To Establish Chapter 143 Of The Code Of The Borough Of Allendale Entitled Recovery Of Cost Of Cleanup Of Hazardous Materials" |

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- Ordinance 15-17 An Ordinance To Amend, Supplement And Revise The Code Of The Borough Of Allendale, Littering, Chapter158-3
- Ordinance 15-18 Ordinance Appropriating \$35,000 From The General Capital Fund Balance For Engineering for Capital Projects By The Borough Of Allendale, In The County Of Bergen, New Jersey

Resolutions:

Mayor White announced the following resolutions to be acted upon at the regular meeting

- 15-180 Approval of 2015 July Fourth Celebration
- 15-181 Authorize Execution of The Gifted Child Society Contract for Super Stars Camp 2015
- 15-182 Approve Fee Schedule Allendale Athletic Fields and Recreational Facilities

Councilman Bernstein asked about the remaining sections of the field use policy, Mayor White answered that this resolution was just affirming the fees to be charged. The entire policy has not changed and she asked Councilwoman Wilczynski to email the entire policy to Councilman Bernstein.

- 15-183 Approve Dr. Robert Burchell Services re: COAH
- 15-184 Authorize Mayor to Execute Employee Separation Agreement
- 15-185 Transfer Mistaken Water Payment to Property Taxes
- 15-186 Approve Additional 2015 Crestwood Seasonal Salaries
- 15-187 Approve Summer Interns Allendale Police Department
- 15-188 Appoint Summer Intern Avery Baratz
- 15-189 Appoint Summer Intern Samantha Bennewitz
- 15-190 Appoint Summer Intern/Website Support Deborah Gravina
- 15-191 Appoint Summer Intern Tyler Yaccarino

Mayor White commented that they were looking forward to having the summer interns working in staggering terms for the various departments.

- 15-192 Authorize Solicitation of Bids for Wheel Loader for Department of Public Works

Mayor White noted that the wheel loader is part of the capital budget that was previously passed.

Authorization to Pay Bills - Resolution 15-193 Approval of Bill List

The Mayor stated she had reviewed the bill list, and asked Councilman Bernstein and Councilwoman Wilczynski, if they also reviewed the list, they answered yes and concurred that it was in order.

The Mayor then asked for a motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters.

Mrs. Fehre read the following motion:

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Whereas the Open Public Meetings Act permits a governing body to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing certain matters under the statute NJSA 10:4-12b (8) personnel matters, which are exempt from the public.

On a motion by Councilman Bernstein, seconded by Councilman Strauch, the motion was offered for approval.

Ayes - Bernstein, Homan, Sasso, Strauch, Wilczynski,
Absent – McSwiggan

Mayor White asked all members of the audience to leave the room.

Executive session began at 7:49.

On a motion by Councilman Sasso, seconded by Councilwoman Wilczynski, the meeting returned to open session at 7:55 p.m.

Administration: Mayor's Report

Mayor White reminded everyone that the primary election will be held on Tuesday June 2, 2015. Districts two and four normally vote at Guardian Angel Church, will have a temporary polling place change to Calvary Lutheran Church. A letter has been sent to all voters affected, the change is posted on the website, and Detective Dillon is using Swift Reach to send out a reverse 911 notifying the affected voters as well.

Mayor White reported that the meeting regarding the bridge closure was packed last night. Representatives from Bergen County were in attendance, not all residents went home happy, but there was a lot of information shared. We are looking at closing that section of West Crescent by the end of June.

The Mayor then thanked the DPW for a yeoman's job opening Crestwood Lake. Memorial Day observation was wonderful. Councilman Strauch added that the DPW cleaned the memorial, it looked great.

Mayor White reminded everyone that the confidential paper shredding will take place this Saturday. There will be a Department Head meeting tomorrow at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Councilman Strauch, seconded by Councilman Bernstein, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Deborah Fehre, RMC
Interim Municipal Clerk