

Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale
Work Session Meeting Minutes
September 10, 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 September 10, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mayor White who asked that the Deputy Municipal Clerk to read the open public meetings statement:

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public meetings Law. This meeting of September 10, 2015, was included in the list of meetings notice sent to the Record, Ridgewood News and 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 McSwiggan, Sasso, Strauch and Mayor White chaired the meeting. Councilmembers Bernstein, Homan and Wilczynski were absent.

Ray Wiss, Municipal Attorney, and Diane Vander Wende, Deputy Municipal Clerk, were also present.

Public Comments:

Mayor White opened the meeting to comments from the public. There were no public comments.

Administration: Agenda Review

Mayor White reviewed the agenda.

Introduction of Ordinances:

ORDINANCE 15-25

15-25/Ordinance to Amend Chapter 93 of the Code Entitled Dogs

Consent Agenda resolutions:

Resolutions 15-260 through 15-268

15-260/Approval of Bill List

15-261/Renew Membership – Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

15-262/Accept Resignation – Dispatcher – Ryan Post

15-263/Approve Phase 2 Water Restrictions

15-264/Authorize 2014 State Tax Board Judgment – Block 1005 Lot 3

15-265/Authorize Reductions to 2015 Tax Levy

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15-266/Authorize Refund – 2015 Tax Overpayment – Block 2201 Lot 10

15-267/Authorize Refund – Redemption of Tax Sale

Certificate #14-00001 – Block 2003 Lot 8

15-268/Approve Health Care Flexible Spending Account Amendment

Administration: Mayor's Report

- Mayor White gave an update on the Crescent Avenue Bridge project. The Mayor thanked the County for coming on September 3rd to do truck weighing so that the number of heavy trucks passing through Park Avenue has gone down.
- Mayor White thanked the DPW, Ron Kistner and Tom Viscardi for an outstanding, safe season at Crestwood Lake. The Mayor noted that there was the traditional Crestwood Lake Closing Ceremony with bagpipes echoing over the water.
- Water restrictions are in place. Mayor White would like to thank the residents for their cooperation. Water usage has decreased since the restrictions have been enacted.

Committee Reports and Comments:

- Councilwoman McSwiggan again thanked the residents for their cooperation with the water restrictions. The restrictions include:
 - No washing of buildings or cars is permitted.
 - Hand-watering is permitted for gardens and shrubs.
 - Use of water for other household purposes is not restricted.

The committee continues to work on major projects. The next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, September 16th at 8:00 a.m.

- Councilman Jim Strauch – The Land Use meeting will be re-scheduled to Monday, September 21st.
- Steve Sasso – The Engineering Department is doing a wonderful job with the street paving. Councilman Sasso expressed his opinion that the residents should be proud of how much money has been received by the Borough of Allendale in grants.

Staff Reports:

- Ray Wiss - The Borough was in front of Judge Menelaos W. Toskos with its COAH Application. The Borough of Allendale was granted immunity based on the Borough's excellent history of providing affordable housing.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Councilman Strauch, seconded by Councilman Sasso, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Vander Wende

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Deputy Municipal Clerk