

November 19, 2012

A regular meeting of the Borough Council was held in the Municipal Building on November 19, 2012. The meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m. by Mr. Barra who announced that the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act were met by the required posting and notice of publications.

The Mayor led those present in a salute to the flag.

The following Council members answered roll call: Mr. Bernstein, Mrs. McSwiggan, Mr. Strauch, Mrs. White, and Mayor Barra. Ms. LaMonica arrived at 8:10 p.m. Mrs. Wilczynski was absent. Also present were Mrs. McCarthy and Mr. Bole.

*Approval of Minutes*

Mrs. White moved, seconded by Mr. Strauch, to approve the Executive Session minutes of October 25, 2012 and the Work and Regular Session minutes of November 8, 2012. On roll call, Mr. Bernstein abstained from the minutes of October 25th. All Council members voted in favor of the minutes of November 8<sup>th</sup>.

*Public Comments*

Mayor Barra opened the meeting to the public for comments on agenda items.

There were none.

*Mayor's Appointment*

Under the authority of N.J.S.A. 40:54-9, Mayor Barra, Mayor appointed Councilwoman Jackie McSwiggan as an alternate, in his absence, to act in his place as a member of the Library Board of Trustees with the authority to attend meetings of the Board and to vote on all questions before the Board.

*Consent Agenda*

Resolution 12-290 – Introduced by Mrs. McSwiggan, seconded by Mrs. White

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that it hereby approves the Bill List dated November 19, 2012.

On roll call, all Council members voted in favor.

Resolution 12-291 – Introduced by Mrs. McSwiggan, seconded by Mrs. White

**Be It Resolved** by the Council of the Borough of Allendale that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to issue the following check on the property listed below and charge same to Overpayment of 2012 Taxes:

**2012**

<b>Block/ Lot</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Property Location</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2101/9 C0035	Bogdanski, Carolyn 35 Trotters Lane Allendale, NJ 07401	35 Trotters Lane	\$250.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$250.00</b>

On roll call, all Council members voted in favor.

Resolution 12-292 – Introduced by Mrs. McSwiggan, seconded by Mrs. White

**Whereas**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

**Whereas**, the Cranford Police Cooperative Pricing System (ID # 47-CPCPS), hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

**Whereas**, on November 19, 2012, the governing body of the Borough of Allendale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** that pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5), the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorize to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

**Be It Further Resolved** that the Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

**Be It Further Resolved** that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

On roll call, all Council members voted in favor.

Resolution 12-293 – Introduced by Mrs, McSwiggan, seconded by Ms. White

**Whereas**, due to the damage caused by Hurricane Sandy, it is likely that construction work will be required for repairs to damaged structures and houses; and

**Whereas**, it is the determination of the Governing Body that it is in the best interests of its citizens that construction permit fees be waived for work made necessary by the hurricane;

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** by the Governing Body that it does hereby authorize a waiver of permit fees for construction work made necessary by Hurricane Sandy damage;

**Be It Further Resolved** that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.19(b)5 that if the Borough waives its fees, then the State permit surcharge fee shall also be waived; and

**Be It Further Resolved** that a true copy of this resolution be provided to the Construction Code Office for implementation of this resolution.

On roll call, all Council members voted in favor.

Resolution 12-294 – Introduced by Mrs. McSwiggan, seconded by Mrs. White

**Whereas**, Allendale Housing Inc. (“AHI”) is a non—profit entity created by the Borough of Allendale to develop and construct supportive shared living housing at Orchard Commons in Allendale and also to develop and construct affordable housing at the Crescent Commons site (Block 904, Lots 10, 11, 12, 13 and 31); and

**Whereas**, the Crescent Commons project is an integral part of the Borough’s Third Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan; and

**Whereas**, it has been determined that there is a shortfall in the amount of \$150,000 needed for completion of the Crescent Commons project; and

**Whereas**, the Chief Financial Officer has attached a certification that there are sufficient funds available to finance the shortfall from the Borough’s Affordable Housing Trust Fund;

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** by the Governing Body that it does hereby authorize a transfer in the amount of \$150,000 from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to AHI to supplement other funding for completion of the Crescent Commons Project.

On roll call, all Council members voted in favor.

Resolution 12-295 – Introduced by Mrs. McSwiggan, seconded by Mrs. White

**Whereas**, there is a need for professional and technical health services in the Borough of Allendale, and

**Whereas**, the County of Bergen is able to provide health services as mandated by the Public Health Council; and

**Whereas**, the County of Bergen has agreed to provide sanitarian services, flu clinic, senior health programs and other health activities for a total cost of \$27,637.60 for all services; and

**Whereas**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that there are sufficient funds available for this contract;

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that it hereby approves the contract between the Borough of Allendale and Bergen County, and

**Be It Further Resolved**, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to sign said contract.

On roll call, all Council members voted in favor.

### *Committee Reports*

#### Water and Sewer

Mrs. McSwiggan said the sump pump project is continuing to progress. Overall about ten percent of the homes that have been inspected have had illegal connections. Mr. Wittekind's time was taken away from this project due to Hurricane Sandy, but he will be able to resume his previous schedule very soon.

#### Public Safety

Mr. Bernstein said a Public Safety meeting was held last week.

Recently the North Jersey AAA Annual Traffic Safety Awards Program was held. Allendale's Police Department received an Award of Excellence which was given to only ten towns out of over one hundred. Mr. Bernstein offered his congratulations to the Police Department.

#### Land Use and Construction Code

Mr. Strauch said the next meeting of the Land Use Committee will be Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 a.m. at Borough Hall.

#### Public Works

Mrs. White said she wanted to remind Allendale's residents that the DPW will not be picking up storm related brush from the curb. The eastside transit lot is open for branches and tree debris. There is still a lot of cleanup to do from the last storm.

#### Personnel, Finance and Human Resources

Ms. LaMonica was not present at the time of the report.

#### Facilities, Parks and Recreation

Mrs. Wilczynski was absent.

Municipal Attorney

Mr. Bole did not have a report.

Municipal Clerk

Mrs. McCarthy said in December the Council will be recognizing employees who are celebrating five year incremental anniversaries of employment with the Borough of Allendale.

Mayor Barra noted that the President of Rockland Electric attended a joint meeting of the Mayors and Managers. Mrs. McCarthy will prepare minutes of that meeting to distribute to the Council.

Ms. LaMonica arrived at 8:10 p.m.

Public Comment

Mr. John Dryer of 6 Butternut Road said the eighth and fourth grade Bulldogs participated in the Junior Football Championships. The fourth grade had an undefeated season.

Even though the Allendale team had the home team advantage, the fourth grade playoff game was held in Fair Lawn. He has heard that the reason they did not play in Allendale was because the neighbors who live by Northern Highlands signed a petition asking that the game not be played in Allendale. It was also said that this petition was presented to the Mayor and Council. Mr. Dryer asked if this was correct.

Mr. Barra said it was not correct and no petition was presented to the Council.

On a motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Mrs. Wilczynski, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen McCarthy  
Municipal Clerk