

Work Session
Mayor and Council
July 24, 2014

A Work Session meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mayor Barra who announced that the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act were met with the required posting and notice to publications.

The following individuals answered roll call: Council members McSwiggan, Sasso, Strauch White and Wilczynski. Mr. Bernstein was absent. Mr. Valenzuela and Mr. Bole were also present.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Agenda Review

Review work, regular and closed session minutes for June 12th

Ordinance for first reading

RESOLUTION 14-230 Ordinance 14-14

An Ordinance to amend chapter 93 (“Animals”), Section 7 of the code of the Borough of Allendale entitled “Violations and Penalties”

- Change in fines from \$25 to \$250

RESOLUTION 14-229 INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE 14-15

ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE 2014 SALARY ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE 14-01 ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 53 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE TO FIX THE SALARIES, WAGES AND COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF ALLENDALE FOR THE YEAR 2014”

- The position of Zoning and Property Maintenance Official will be separated into two positions and the Fire Sub Code Official’s salary will be changed from a salary basis to an hourly basis.

Consent Agenda:

RESOLUTION 14-222 List of Bills

RESOLUTION 14-223 Approval of tax appeal Chhabra v. Allendale

- Mayor Barra indicated that the tax appeal was a modest reduction in appraisal

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RESOLUTION 14-224 Awarding a contract to D&L Paving Contractors for roadway improvements

- Allendale is awarding a contract to D&L Paving for road improvements with a state grant that Allendale received for the paving of E. Allendale Avenue, Ivers Road, Central Avenue and Erie Plaza. Councilwoman Liz White said that she is going to bring the contract to NJ DOT in Newark because it is very important that Ivers is paved in August. On or about Aug 11th, Franklin Turnpike, from Cottage Place to E. Allendale Avenue, will be closed in both directions by the County for up to six months to renovate the Elm Street Culvert. Councilwoman White said that the Elm Street Culvert project has been on the books for over ten years and will be commencing shortly.

Councilman Strauch noted that there is a need to coordinate with the Calvary Luthern Acorn Camp in early August for a day or two. He will contact the Camp.

RESOLUTION 14-225 Appointment of Construction Code Official

RESOLUTION 14-226 Appointment of Building Sub Code Official

These are the resolutions appointing Kevin Burnette as the Construction Code Official and Building Sub Code Official

RESOLUTION 14-227 Appointment of the Zoning/Property Maintenance Official

Mayor Barra stated that Mr. Brunette will also be appointed the Zoning/Property Maintenance Official; however this position will be separated into two positions, and Mr. Brunette will be appointed solely as the Zoning Official. The change to the salary ordinance will be voted upon on second reading at the next Council meeting. (See Ordinance 14-15)

RESOLUTION 14-228 Appointment of Fire Sub Code Official

- Amendment to change the salary and separate the position of Zoning/Property Maintenance Official into two separate positions.
- Amendment to change the salary for the Fire Sub Code Official from salary to hourly.

Mayor's Report

- The flags in Allendale will remain at half-staff for thirty days in honor of the tragic passing of Waldwick Police Officer Christopher Goodell. Councilwoman White indicated that the Mayor and Council made a donation to the scholarship fund that has been set up in Officer Goodell's honor. Mayor Barra said that the North West Bergen Mayors Association, of which he is a member, also made a donation to the scholarship fund.

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The Waldwick Borough Administrator and Mayor and Council thanked the Borough of Allendale for the coverage that the Waldwick Police, Fire and DPW Departments provided to the Borough of Waldwick during the days following the tragedy.

- The Allendale Ambulance Corps was approached by Saddle River to renew the relationship that was severed a number of years ago. Allendale Ambulance Corps will now backup Valley Hospital Ambulance to assist the residents of Saddle River when they need ambulance assistance. Saddle River donated a used Ford Escape SUV vehicle to the Ambulance Corps as a thank you. The Allendale Ambulance Corps is very please about the renewed relationship with Saddle River.

Adjournment

On a motion to by Councilwoman Liz White, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn at the work session at 7:59.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Valenzuela
Acting Municipal Clerk