

Work Session  
Mayor and Council  
June 13, 2013

A Work Session of the Mayor and Council was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Mayor Barra who announced that the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act were met by the required posting and notice to publications.

The following individuals answered roll call: Council members Bernstein, McSwiggan, Strauch, White, Wilczynski and Mayor Barra. Ms. LaMonica was absent. Mrs. McCarthy and Mr. Bole were also present.

*Public Comments*

Mayor Barra opened the meeting to the public for comments.

There were no comments from the public.

*Agenda Review*

Resolution 13-300 – Change Order No. 1 – Safe Routes to School

Mrs. White commented that the change order is to increase quantities on driveway aprons and curb cuts. Since the project was originally designed eight years ago, it had to be updated to meet today's ADA standards.

Mrs. White added that the sidewalks that are a part of this program extend from Franklin Turnpike and Crescent Avenues to the schools and they will be completed by next week.

Resolution 13-305 – Award of Proposal for Water Storage Tank Engineering Services

Mayor Barra stated that this resolution allows Dewberry Engineering to write specifications for the refurbishing of the Ramsey water tank. It will save the Borough approximately \$1.3 million to refurbish the tank instead of building a new one.

*Mayor's Report*

Mr. Barra complimented Councilwoman Amy Wilczynski for being the driving force behind Allendale being selected to receive a piece of steel from the World Trade Center.

The steel was picked up on June 12<sup>th</sup> from Hanger 17 at JFK Airport. Police officers Stettner, Hillgardner and Azevedo provided an escort to the airport. Behind them were Dan Davis and Dan Richards who drove a flatbed truck to bring the steel back to Allendale. In attendance from the Allendale Fire Department were Jeff Picinich, Sean Toolan, Rob Policht and Chief Ryan Shute. Councilwomen McSwiggan and Wilczynski were also present.

Members of the New York Fire Department and the Port Authority served as additional escorts. After the steel was placed on the truck it was draped with the flag and taken to Saddle River's Fire Department. The piece of steel is approximately sixteen feet long and thirty inches wide.

Later in the day the steel was taken on a procession went through town and there was a ceremony at the Allendale Fire Department.

Mrs. McSwiggan commented that it was meaningful to see the people lining the streets in Allendale to view the procession. Many parents brought their children so they could get a better sense of what the World Trade Center tragedy was about.

Mrs. White and Mrs. McSwiggan complimented Mrs. Wilczynski for her efforts.

Mayor Barra said the steel will be located in the vicinity of the 9-11 memorial. Funds will be raised specifically for this project.

Mayor Barra said the 9-11 Scholarship Committee met to decide on the 2013 scholarship winner. That individual will be announced in the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Barra said he and the Alissa Mayer went to Trenton to appear before the Local Finance Board to obtain their approval to have United Water run the operations of the Allendale Water Department. The proposal was approved and one of the Board members said what Allendale is doing is the "smart thing to do."

Allendale will appear before the Board of Public Utilities in July.

On a motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Mr. Strauch, the Council adjourned to Regular Session at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen McCarthy  
Municipal Clerk