

Work Session Meeting
Mayor and Council
October 9, 2014

A Work Session of the Mayor and Council 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 by the required posting and notice of publications.

The following individuals answered roll call: Councilmembers Bernstein, McSwiggan, Sasso, White, and Wilczynski, as well as Mayor Barra. Councilman Strauch was absent. Mr. Valenzuela, Mrs. Mayer and Mr. Bole were also present.

Public Comments:

Mark Savastano, 22 Vreeland Place
Mr. Savastano gave the Mayor and Council information about a possible recycling prospect. The Mayor indicated that the Recycling Committee would like to meet with the company.

Agenda Review:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 24 Work Session and Regular Meeting
August 5 Special Session
August 14 Work Session and Regular Meeting

PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR ADVERTISED ORDINANCES

Resolution 14-282: Ordinance 14-20
Introduction of Amendment to Salary Ordinance
(Technical Assistant to Director of Operations)

Resolution 14-294: Ordinance 14-21
Introduction of Amendment to Allendale
Tree Ordinance

Public Comment: There were no comments from the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 14-283: List of Bills

Resolution 14-284: Authorizing approval of Tax Appeal
Shi 12 Eroid Court

Resolution 14-285: Approval of County Board Adjustments
reduction of 2014 Tax Levy

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Resolution 14-286: Approval of County Board Adjustment for reduction of 2014 Tax Levy for Allendale Properties, LLC.

Resolution 14-287: Transfer of Tax Overpayments from tax years 2014 to 2015

Resolution 14-288: Acceptance of Resignation of Shafeq Zarif.

Resolution 14-289: Appointment of a per-diem Police Dispatcher

Resolution 14-290: Appointment of Full-Time Police Dispatcher

Resolution 14-291: Accept resignation of James Birmingham

Resolution 14-292: Approval of Salary adjustment for TA to Director of Operations/Borough Engineer

- Councilwoman White and Mayor Barra indicated that Melissa Daly is doing much more than she was originally hired to do as a part time Technical Assistant. She has an engineering degree and is now consistently using that degree in her position as Technical Assistant. In the past, the Borough has had to hire an hourly engineer for the kind of work that Melissa is now doing, at a cost to the Borough of over \$140 per hour. We are very fortunate to have Melissa.

Resolution 14-293: Approval of Amendment to Agreement with United Water for Operation and Maintenance

Resolution 14-295: Approval of the 2014/15 Flu/Pneumococcal Program

- This is a flu vaccine program that will take place on November 3, 2014. It is for Borough of Allendale seniors and Borough employees.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Councilman Sasso: Green Sky, the receiver of our recycling materials, abruptly went out of business and the Borough is looking for a new receiving company. The Borough has seamlessly found another company to take the recyclables on an ad-hock basis. There has been no interruption in service. The new company will not take plastic bags and plastic film because these items jam their machines.

Discussion: There has been some serious illegal dumping at our recycling center. The recycling center was closed to the public during the week because of illegal dumping. The Allendale Police Department caught one of the serious offenders. The recycling center will be opening again to residents during the week at some point in the future. The Saturday and Sunday only recycling has been very crowded. New signage that is being put in place will help.

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The committee is looking for another recycling receiver and is close to finding a permanent replacement. Councilman Sasso is optimistic that residents may find an improved recycling experience.

There was a discussion about options for plastic garbage bags, plastic wraps and any kind of Styrofoam, which cannot be recycled at this time.

- Mrs. Mayer distributed a copy of the 2014 Best Practices results to the Mayor and Council. The Borough is well within the guidelines, answering yes to 41 of the 50 questions to get 100% of the aid disbursement.

On a motion by Councilwoman McSwiggan the Work Session was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Frank Valenzuela
Acting Municipal Clerk