

Work Session Meeting
Mayor and Council
October 23, 2014

A Work Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allendale was called to order on October 23, 2014 at 7:37 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, Mr. Bole, and Mrs. Mattiace were also present.

Public Comments: There were no comments from the public.

Mayor Barra asked the Council to allow the meeting to go out of order to give Tax Assessor Angela Mattiace the floor. The Council gave their consent.

Mayor Barra asked Tax Assessor Angela Mattiace to give her review on the Assessment Plan.

- Angela Mattiace: The Borough received final approval from the Division of Taxation to proceed with the Tax reassessment.

The residents will be notified via mail, the Borough of Allendale website, Facebook, through the December Newsletter and on SwiftReach.

The reassessment will be complete by mid-January to be available for the 2015 Tax Lists.

The Division of Taxation has ordered us to attempt 100% contact, minus any inspections already done since 2012.

There was discussion about the logistics of providing proper identification and background checks for inspectors.

Approval of Minutes

August 28 Work Session and Regular Meeting: Mr. Bole counseled that the approval of these minutes should be postponed to November 13th because the required number of the Councilmembers are not present for passage.

Agenda Review

PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR ADVERTISED ORDINANCES

Resolution 14-296: Ordinance 14-20
Adoption of Amendment to Salary Ordinance
(Technical Assistant to Director of Operations)

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- Councilwoman White: The Council will have further discussion on this issue. It will be adjourned to the November 13th meeting.

Resolution 14-297: Ordinance 14-21
Adoption of Amendment to Allendale
Tree Ordinance

Public Comments: There were no comments from the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 14-298: List of Bills

Resolution 14-299: Authorizing Curfew for Cabbage Night

Resolution 14-300: Approval of Raffle License#404 for
Northern Highlands Home & School Association

Resolution 14-301: Approval of County Board Judgment for reduction
of 2014 Tax Levy for McAuliffe, Mark & Mary

Resolution 14-302: Approval of State Tax Board Judgments

Resolution 14-303: Appointment of Full-Time School Guards

Resolution 14-304: Approval of Interlocal Service Agreement
For Sanitary Sewer Cleaning with NWBCUA

Resolution 14-305: Authorization for Director of Operations
to prepare bid specifications for Water
Service Repairs

Resolution 14-306: Approval of Bergen County Trust Fund Application

- Amy Wilczynski: This is an application for grant money to use a tile system to change half of the Allendale tennis courts into multi-sport courts. The tiles are interlocking and there is a crank system of movable nets and basketball hoops. This system will allow the courts to be used for volleyball, badminton, tennis and basketball. It is ADA compliant.

Resolution 14-307: Approval of Change order #1 for
2013 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program

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Resolution 14-308: Approval of payment #1 for 2013 NJDOT
Municipal Aid Program

Resolution 14-309: Resolution to amend resignation date
James Birmingham from 10/1/14 to 10/17/14

Mayor's Report

- Mayor Barra: There is a parking problem at Northern Highlands High School during sports games. Fire truck access is being blocked by parked cars. The acting Superintendent has been contacted about notifying sports participants, and invited the police department to enforce the parking rules.

There was discussion about signage responsibilities and enforcement.

On a motion by Councilman Sasso, seconded by Mrs. McSwiggan, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn the Work Session at 8.00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Frank Valenzuela
Acting Municipal Clerk