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 to publications.

The following individuals answered roll call: Council members Bernstein, LaMonica, McSwiggan, White, and Mayor Barra. Mr. Casais, Mrs. McCarthy, Mr. Bole, Mr. Yakimik, and Ms. Mayer were also present.

Public Comments

Mayor Barra opened the meeting to the public for comments.

There being no one present wishing to speak Mayor Barra closed public comment without objection.

Agenda Review

Mayor Barra stated that minutes from the December 12, 2013 meeting were on the agenda for approval.

The public hearing on Ordinance 13-17 will be this evening.

Mayor Barra reviewed the consent agenda resolution with the members of Council. Discussion ensued on the following resolutions:

R. 13-423 Amendment to Wingspan Cafeteria Plan
   • Ms. Mayer noted that this was in accordance with IRS regulations that allow for a maximum deduction of $2,500 and carry-over into the following plan year

R. 13-428 Change Order Number Two for the 2013 Road Resurfacing Program
   • Mr. Yakimik explained that this change order is due to a change in asphalt prices

R. 13-429 Waiver of Certain Water and Sewer Fees
   • Mayor Barra noted that these fees are being waived, as they have been before, because they would otherwise be charged to the low income/special needs housing facility

Mayor’s Report

No report

Councilwoman Wilczynski joined the meeting at 7:40 p.m.
Councilwoman McSwiggan asked a question to Mr. Yakimik regarding weight limits on certain Borough roads and how they were determined.

Mr. Yakimik stated that regulations are set in Borough code for maximum vehicle weight on certain roadways. Multiple factors are considered in making this determination including traffic volume, the presence of children, the condition of road, and the width of road. However, there are no set guidelines for making determinations.

Discussion ensued regarding this matter in which Councilwoman McSwiggan raised concerns regarding the amount of large vehicles that seem to be traveling in and through the Borough.

It was determined that the ultimate enforcement authority with regard to rightful or wrongful weight on certain roadways is the Allendale Police Department.

On a motion by Councilwoman White, seconded by Councilwoman Wilczynski, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn the work session meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Casais
Municipal Clerk