

New Providence, New Jersey  
December 21, 2009

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of New Providence, County of Union and State of New Jersey was held on Monday, December 21, 2009 at the Municipal Center. Mayor John A. Thoms called the meeting to order.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Thoms, Councilman Hern, Councilman Gennaro, Councilman Cucco, Councilman Galluccio, Councilman Vyzas

Entered After Roll Call: Council President MacDermott

Also Present: Borough Administrator Marvin, Borough Clerk Barry, Deputy Borough Clerk Gorgia

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Thoms led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Notice

Mayor Thoms stated this is a public meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of New Providence, County of Union and State of New Jersey. Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, in that an annual notice or revision was made in conformance with Section 13 of the Act.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

Mayor Thoms

BSA Centennial Celebration Ceremony/Bonfire. Mayor Thoms stated the Boy Scouts are celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their founding and a celebration will be held on February 8, 2010. Beth Spiegel from Cub Scout Pack 263 was in attendance to answer questions and outline events. Council reminded Ms. Spiegel that a certificate of insurance is necessary, naming the Borough as additionally insured. Borough Administrator Marvin will confer with Police Chief Buccelli and Public Works Manager Johnston on their departments involvement. Council President MacDermott requested no lit candles be on the inside of the gazebo in Centennial Park.

Councilman Cucco

Sage Contract. Councilman Cucco stated he contacted Union County regarding possible social work services. They will be sending some information. Councilman Cucco stated he also talked with the Executive Director of Sage, and advised the Borough is adverse to any increases, based on budget constraints. The Executive Director will be sending some information.

Replacement For Gorator Pump. Councilman Cucco stated the gorator pumps are 45 years old and have been rebuilt many times. The parts are expensive and the inside casings are worn. Councilman Cucco suggested using some capital monies to purchase a new pump to be internally installed to save some costs. Borough Clerk Barry advised she will check with the Borough Attorney if this must go out to bid.

#### Council President MacDermott

Resolution 2009-377

“Resolution Of The Borough Of New Providence, County of Union, State Of New Jersey, Regarding Diversity Recommendations For The New Providence Municipal Government”

Council President MacDermott stated she would like to see this approved at the Borough’s Re-Organization Meeting. Council discussed several items included in the resolution and suggested various changes. Council also suggested coaches of recreation programs take the Rutgers classes given at the high school.

Personnel Policy. Council determined discussions will continue to clarify language and policies.

#### Borough Administrator’s Report

Borough Administrator Marvin advised Personnel Matters and Special Legal Counsel must be discussed in executive session.

NP-TV Policy. Borough Administrator Marvin stated he worked with Superintendent of Schools Miceli and the TV 35 Production Board on the policy and recommends Council adopt it at the Organization Meeting on January 4, 2010. Council discussed some issues and changes and requested Borough Administrator Marvin schedule a meeting with Council President MacDermott, Councilman Hern, certain members of the Board of Ed and TV Production Board to further discuss.

Sewer Fees. Borough Administrator Marvin reported Tables For Two Restaurant is requesting a waiver of the fees because they only prepare sandwiches. Council discussed possible different scenarios, and determined all food establishments will pay the same amount of \$500, in two installments during the year.

Vacation Carry-Over Requests. Borough Administrator Marvin reported two employees, Steven Stein and Joseph Infante, requested vacation carry-overs with good reason, and both have been approved.

#### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Council President MacDermott - report requires executive session.

Councilman Vyzas - operations normal.

Councilman Cucco:

1. Snow removal went very well.
2. Leaf collection information to be reported next week.

Councilman Galluccio - operations normal.

Councilman Gennaro:

1. Met with Insurance Advisory Committee regarding insurance renewals. The Committee members are very knowledgeable and decisions have to be made very soon.

Councilman Hern - operations normal.

Mayor Thoms:

1. Personnel was out all night Saturday plowing snow and did a great job.

#### Public Hearing

Mayor Thoms declared a public hearing of citizens. There being no one wishing to speak, the public hearing was declared closed.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Resolution 2009-20a

“Resolution Establishing December 21, 2009 As The Date, And 10:00 PM As The Time, And The Municipal Center As The Place, For The Holding Of A Special Meeting Of The Mayor And Council Of The Borough Of New Providence, To Discuss Personnel Matters, At Which Time The Public Will Be Excluded”

Title read in full by the Borough Clerk.

Council President MacDermott moved passage of Resolution 2009-20a “Resolution Establishing December 21, 2009 As The Date, And 10:00 Pm As The Time, And The Municipal Center As The Place, For The Holding Of A Special Meeting Of The Mayor And council Of The Borough Of New Providence, To Discuss Personnel Matters, At Which Time The Public Will Be Excluded”. Seconded by Councilman Galluccio, And On Roll: Council President

MacDermott, Councilman Hern, Councilman Gennaro, Councilman Cucco, Councilman Galluccio, Councilman Vyzas voted “aye”. Carried unanimously on roll call.

### **RE-OPENING OF MEETING**

On motion by Councilman Galluccio, seconded by Councilman Cucco, the meeting was re-opened to the public.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on motion by Councilman Galluccio, seconded by Councilman Cucco, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendi B. Barry  
Borough Clerk

These minutes have not yet been officially approved.