

New Providence, New Jersey
March 8, 2010

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, March 8, 2010 at the Municipal Center. Mayor John A. Thoms called the meeting to order.

Present On Roll Call: Mayor Thoms, Council President MacDermott, Councilman Hern, Councilman Gennaro, Councilman Cucco, Councilman Galluccio, Councilman Vyzas

Absent: None

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.

Public Hearing

1. Ordinance 2010-2 “An Ordinance Of The Borough Of New Providence, County Of Union And State Of New Jersey, Amending Ordinance 2006-1 ‘Creating A Business Improvement District And Designating A District Management Corporation’ “

Title read in full by the Borough Clerk.

Mayor Thoms declared a public hearing for Ordinance 2010-2. There being no one wishing to speak, the public hearing was declared closed.

Council President MacDermott moved final passage of Ordinance 2010-2 “An Ordinance Of The Borough Of New Providence, County Of Union And State Of New Jersey, Amending Ordinance 2006-1 ‘Creating A Business Improvement District And Designating A District Management Corporation’ “. Seconded by

Councilman Cucco and on roll call: Council President MacDermott, Councilman Hern, Councilman Gennaro, Councilman Cucco, Councilman Galluccio, Councilman Vyzas voted "aye". Carried unanimously on roll call.

Appointments

Mayor Thoms announced the following appointments to the Diversity Committee, with concurrence of Council:

Harb Nayar, Co-Chair	Stuart Gershon
Angele Thompson, Co-Chair	Glenn Herrigel
Julia MacDermott, Council Liaison	Peggy Hodgkins
Barbara Babock	Peter Lederman
Raul Cadavid	Pat Moschetti
Sean Carroll	Leo Piovano
Abby Dragos	Beverly Rivkees
	Judith Springer

Approval of Minutes

Councilman Cucco moved the minutes of the February 8, 2010 Borough Council meeting minutes be approved as submitted. Seconded by Councilman Galluccio and approved. Council President MacDermott abstained due to absence from that meeting.

Councilman Cucco moved the minutes of the February 22, 2010 Borough Council meeting minutes be approved as submitted. Seconded by Councilman Galluccio and unanimously approved.

Communications

1. State of New Jersey, Board of Public Utilities, February 19, 2010. RE: Comcast Petition For Renewal Certification And Approval. No action required.
2. County Of Union, Office Of The County Manager, February 19, 2010. RE: Public Safety Shared Service Survey. Borough Administrator Marvin reported Police Chief Buccelli is handling this item.
3. Robert T. Robinson, Juan J. Ryan And Sanford Vanchieri, February 23, 2010. RE: Planning Board Public Hearing, 1351 Springfield Avenue. No action required.
4. NJ Transit, February 24, 2010. Re: Federal Transit Administration Funding. No action required.

5. Faith Lutheran Church, February 25, 2010. RE: Board of Adjustment Public Hearing, 524 South Street. No action required.
6. Kathleen Dolan, February 25, 2010. RE: Resignation From Community Activities Advisory Board. No action required.
7. State of New Jersey, Department Of Environmental Protection, February 26, 2010. RE: Notice Of Public Comment Period Regarding FFY2010 Clean Water Program. No action required.
8. Our Lady Of Peace Church, February 26, 2010. RE: Recreation Core Area Plan. Mayor Thoms stated Our Lady Of Peace Church does not and will not agree to, or endorse any plan to use their property for or as a Recreation Core Area.
9. Robert Ward, March 3, 2010. RE: Lutheran Social Ministries Project. No action required.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Councilman Gennaro

1. Resolution 2010-77 "Resolution Authorizing Emergency, Temporary Appropriation"

Councilman Gennaro stated the accounts listed on the resolution need to be presently funded since the Borough's permanent budget is not yet in place.

2. Resolution 2010-78 "Resolution Authorizing Payment Of The Attached Bills Payable List In The Amount Of \$2,154,528.02"

Councilman Gennaro stated \$365,000.00 is for principal and interest on bonds, and \$989,000.00 is for the Board of Education.

3. Resolution 2010-79 "Resolution Refunding Or Applying Overpayment Of Taxes To Certain Property Owners"

Councilman Gennaro stated these are because of duplicate tax payments.

4. Authorization To Solicit RFP's For Energy Auditing Consultant. Councilman Gennaro stated New Jersey Clean Energy approved municipalities to be reimbursed 100% of the professional consultant service cost once the energy audit has been completed and approved. Council recommends and concurs that since the municipality would have to implement 25% of the cost of the audit, that the Borough get 75% of the study reimbursement. Borough Administrator Marvin will solicit for RFP's.

Mayor Thoms

1. Resolution 2010-80 "Resolution Approving Purchase Orders For Archonix Systems, LLC, In The Amount Not To Exceed \$12,000.00"

Mayor Thoms stated this is for computer licenses and support and false alarm billing for the Police Department.

2. Raffle Request, RA #880, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Proper approvals have been received, therefore Mayor Thoms recommends issuance of license, subject to State approval.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Gennaro - operations normal.

Councilman Galluccio:

1. Thanked Kathleen Dolan for her hard work on the Community Activities Advisory Board.

Councilman Cucco:

1. Preliminary Costs for snow plowing from 12/5/09 to 2/25/09 \$235,000.00.
2. Cost for salt: \$68,500.00. Amount of salt: 1,225 tons purchased.
3. \$64,000.00 outside contractor for snow plowing.
4. \$103,000.00 costs to Borough.

Council President MacDermott:

1. Received survey books regarding municipal fees. Will review with Borough Administrator Marvin, particularly false alarm fees.

Councilman Hern - operations normal.

Councilman Vyzas:

1. Updated work and discussions on Recreation Core Area. Our Lady of Peace does not support and the Soccer Club withdrew their financial support, because they will be supporting lights at Lieder field.

Mayor Thoms:

1. Meetings will be held over the next couple of weeks regarding shared emergency dispatch services.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Thoms declared a public hearing of citizens.

Bjarne Jenshoej, 20 George Road - Mr. Jenshoej stated he is a thirty-four year resident of New Providence and asked Council to propose an ordinance that would permit only people with permanent residence status (hold a green card) to vote in local elections. Borough Administrator Marvin will inquire with the Borough Attorney.

Larry Corsi, 28 Eighth Street:

1. asked for clarification of Faith Lutheran's Board of Adjustment application. Mayor Thoms explained it is to permit construction for improvements.
2. asked for clarification of Robert Ward's correspondence. Councilman Galluccio explained Mr. Ward is not in favor of Council overriding Board of Adjustment denial of Lutheran Social Ministries application. Mr. Corsi asked for an update. Mayor Thoms stated they will modify their application and submit to the Board of Adjustment.
3. Mr. Corsi asked for a dollar amount for leaf vacuuming. Councilman Cucco stated it was \$60,000.00.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the public hearing was declared closed.

FORMAL ACTION

CONSENT AGENDA

(routine items that may be passed by a single roll call vote; any Council member may call for a separate discussion or vote on any item)

Councilman Hern moved passage of items one (1) through six (6) on the consent agenda. Seconded by Council President MacDermott and on roll call: Council President MacDermott, Councilman Hern, Councilman Gennaro, Councilman Cucco, Councilman Galluccio, Councilman Vyzas voted "aye". Carried unanimously on roll call.

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5. Raffle Request: RA #880, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.
6. Authorization To Solicit: RFP's For Energy Auditing Consultant.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,

Wendi B. Barry
Borough Clerk

These minutes have not yet been officially approved.