

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF SUSSEX
HELD AT THE SUSSEX MUNICIPAL BUILDING
2 MAIN STREET, SUSSEX, NJ
December 17, 2013**

Mayor Rose called the meeting to order and requested the clerk to call the roll. Upon roll call, the following members of the Governing Body were present: Mrs. Marina Krynicky, Mr. Bruce LaBar, Mr. Salvatore Lagattuta, Mrs. Linda Masson, Mr. Edward Meyer, Mayor Jonathan Rose.

Absent: Mrs. Annette Stendor

Also present: Borough Attorney Mr. John Ursin Esq. of Schenck, Price, Smith & King, LLP. and Mr. Mark Zschack, Municipal Administrator/Clerk

Mayor Rose led the assembly in the flag salute and requested a moment of silence.

Mayor Rose stated "This meeting is being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. It has been properly advertised and certified by the Clerk."

COUNCIL MOTIONS: Mayor Rose opened the floor to each member of the Council to offer any motions not currently on the agenda.

No motions were offered at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Mayor Rose opened the floor to each member of the Council to offer their respective committee reports.

Mrs. Masson stated "I attended the League of Municipalities meeting last week. They were talking about the 2014 budget process which was very informative. Someone in the audience, I do not know the name of the gentleman, was bringing up Obamacare. He mentioned that the volunteer fireman that work thirty hours or more you have to provide health care. But this was postponed until 2015 he said.

Mr. Lagattuta reiterated the councilwoman's comments.

Mr. LaBar stated "I do not have a report but would like to ask the Mayor to have the Clerk send a letter to the High Point Football League for the fantastic season they ended up with. They set a record for the North Jersey Midget Football League all three teams that were in the finals won their championship games that were held at Maple Grange Park in Vernon. They did it with shutouts in every league which has never happened in the North Jersey Football League. I think it is an accomplishment for the youths of the Sussex Wantage area."

Mrs. Krynicky stated "the Recreation Committee meeting was canceled; we had icing that night so we canceled the meeting."

Mr. Lagattuta stated "the DPW meeting that was scheduled for this week was postponed until January until we can get more information on the infrastructure issues that are on Hamburg Avenue. We feel that will be one of the focal points of what we are looking at as a DPW Committee. Talking with the Borough Clerk he said he should have that information sometime after New Years and we will meet then and start to move forward at that time with a discussion on how we should go about handling the infrastructure work on Hamburg Avenue."

Mr. Meyer offered no report at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Rose requested that all persons present review the consent agenda and offer any comments they may have at this time regarding the consent agenda.

Mr. Lagattuta made a motion to accept the consent agenda of December 17, 2013 with the removal of number three under Reports. Motion seconded by Mrs. Masson

Upon roll call vote:
Ayes: Krynicky, LaBar, Lagattuta, Masson, Meyer,
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: Stendor

Mr. Meyer made a motion to accept number three under Reports of the consent agenda of December 17, 2013. Motion seconded by Mr. LaBar.

There was a brief discussion concerning the methodology of the Property Maintenance Reports and what agencies are responsible to inspect multifamily units.

Upon roll call vote:
Ayes: Krynicky, LaBar, Lagattuta, Masson, Meyer,
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: Stendor

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION #1

Mrs. Krynicky made a motion to open the meeting to the public for any questions or comments concerning items on the agenda for which no public discussion is provided. All comments should be directed to the Mayor and are limited to 5 minutes with a total of 10 minutes for the Council to discuss. Motion seconded by Mr. Lagattuta
All were in favor.

There being no one present who wished to address the Governing Body, Mr. LaBar made a motion to close the meeting to the public. Motion seconded by Mrs. Krynicky
All were in favor.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Mr. Mark Zschack the Administrator/Clerk offered no report.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Mr. LaBar made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 26, 2013. Motion seconded by Mrs. Masson

Upon roll call vote:
Ayes: Krynicky, LaBar, Masson, Meyer,
Nays: None
Abstentions: Lagattuta
Absent: Stendor

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Mr. LaBar made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 3, 2013. Motion seconded by Mr. Meyer

Upon roll call vote:
Ayes: Krynicky, LaBar, Masson, Meyer,
Nays: None
Abstentions: Lagattuta
Absent: Stendor

Resolution 2013-123R – High Ridge Properties

Mr. LaBar made a motion to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement concerning the High Ridge development and sewer arrears. Motion seconded by Mr. Lagattuta

Mr. Ursin presented an overview of the High Ridge property situation and the agreement presented to the Council tonight.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Krynicky, LaBar, Lagattuta, Masson, Meyer,

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Stendor

Resolution 2013-124R – Spectraserv Inc Change Order #1

Mr. Meyer made a motion to adopt a resolution Authorizing Change order #1 to Spectraserv Inc for the installation of a filtration system at the Water Treatment Plant. Motion seconded by Mr. LaBar

A brief discussion ensued discussing the merits of changing to a cartridge filter as opposed to the bag filter system.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Krynicky, LaBar, Lagattuta, Masson, Meyer,

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Stendor

Discussion

At this time a discussion took place concerning an ordinance establishing a P.I.L.O.T. program for the newly created Route 23 Rehabilitation Area. A draft ordinance was distributed to the Mayor and Council for review. It was recommended that this ordinance be introduced to the Council in January 2014.

Resolution 2013-125R – Transfers between Budget Appropriations

Mr. LaBar made a motion to adopt Resolution 2013-125R authorizing transfers between budget appropriations. Motion seconded by Mr. Lagattuta

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Krynicky, LaBar, Lagattuta, Masson, Meyer,

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Stendor

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION #2

Mr. LaBar made a motion to open the meeting to the public for any questions or comments concerning the good and welfare of the Borough. All comments should be directed to the Mayor and are limited to 5 minutes with a total of 10 minutes for the Council to discuss. Motion seconded by Mrs. Krynicky
All were in favor.

There being no one present who wished to address the Governing Body, Mr. Lagattuta made a motion to close the meeting to the public. Motion seconded by Mrs. Krynicky
All were in favor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session was requested.

Mr. Lagattuta stated that this is Mr. Meyer's last meeting and thanked him for his years of service to Sussex Borough and wished him luck in future endeavors.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items for discussion by the Mayor and Council, Mr. LaBar made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Meyer
All were in favor.

Jonathan Rose, Mayor

Mark Zschack, Municipal Clerk