

FEBRUARY 25, 2014

The Caucus Meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Runnemede was held on the above date in the meeting room of the Borough Hall, 24 N. Black Horse Pike, Runnemede, NJ. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. The following members were present at roll call: Council members: Root, Moore, Passio, Kappatos, Kelly & Farrell; Absent: Mayor Kalvaitis; Present: Business Administrator, Richard Wright; Solicitor Len Wood, Esquire; Borough Engineer Mark Basehore.

STATEMENT: Council President Kappatos read the notice of this meeting pursuant to the "Open Public Meetings Act."

Council President Kappatos stated that it was now time to discuss items to be included on the agenda for 3/4/14.

Public Hearings for five ordinances were discussed along with the mercantile license ordinance.

A raffle license, a resolution adjusting sewer charges, two sustainable New Jersey resolutions, a resolution cancelling taxes, a resolution authorizing a shared services agreement with Salem County Improvement Authority, and a resolution authorizing assessor to file appeals, etc. were discussed.

RESOLUTION #14-40

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF RUNNEMEDE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING PLANNING FEES WITH BACH ASSOCIATES, PER THEIR PROPOSAL SUBMITTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014 FOR REVISIONS TO LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE

WHEREAS, Bach Associates has submitted a proposal for planning fees in the amount of \$3,400.00 for the 2014 revisions to land development code per their letter dated February 19, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Mayor & Council have reviewed their proposal and have determined that the fees are appropriate; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Runnemede, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey that it hereby accepts the proposal of Bach Associates for planning fees for the above-referenced project per their letter dated February 19, 2014.

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A discussion ensued regarding the revision of several of our land use ordinances and the proposal from Bach Associates to do the revision. A motion was made by Kelly, seconded by Passio this resolution be approved. The motion carried and Council President Kappatos requested a roll call vote with the following results: Ayes: Kappatos, Passio, Kelly, Moore, Root & Farrell. Absent: None. Nays: None. Council President Kappatos declared the resolution adopted.

The bids for the generator and sewer root control were discussed as well as the project description for CDBG for 2014.

Several other items were discussed:

- New car in the police department;
- Purchase of a new fire truck;
- Two EMT's being honored at an event;
- Borough newsletter;
- Snow emergency route ordinance;
- Need for new street signs;
- Roads needing repair;
- New front doors in Borough Hall;
- Pouring of concrete pads;
- Purchase of bleachers & trash cans;
- Clothing bin ordinance;

Borough Administrator Richard Wright reviewed various financial matters with council including pension & health benefit costs as well as bonding options.

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Borough Engineer Mark Basehore advised council of the problem with the locks on the bathrooms at Green Acres. Councilwoman Kelly had questions about lighting in the area. Councilwoman Moore asked about railings.

Council President Kappatos reported that Keith Knight had rejected the offer recommended by council in order for him to do fire inspections.

RESOLUTION #14-41

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A REQUEST
FOR FUNDING FOR YEAR 35 SUPPLEMENTAL CDBG FUNDS
BOROUGH OF RUNNEMEDE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Runnemede was notified that supplemental funding within Year 35 CDBG exists as defined in the 2013 Action Plan and must meet the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's National Objectives; and

WHEREAS, Mayor & Council have determined that a shovel ready project exists-the reconstruction of Irish Hill Road.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor & Council of the Borough of Runnemede, hereby authorizes Bach Associates to submit an application to CDBG for Supplemental Funding for Year 35 for the reconstruction of Irish Hill Road; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officials are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Runnemede and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

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A motion was made by Moore, seconded by Kelly this resolution be approved. The motion carried and Council President Kappatos requested a roll call vote with the following results: Ayes: Kappatos, Passio, Kelly, Moore, Root & Farrell. Absent: None. Nays: None. Council President Kappatos declared the resolution adopted.

Joyce Pinto, Borough Clerk, informed council about the desire of school districts to remove polling places from their buildings. The use of the borough hall as a polling place was suggested to the Board of Elections who will consider this option.

GOOD & WELFARE:

Maria Panzarella, 12 S. Oakland Avenue: Ms. Panzarella complimented Public Works for their snow removal. Maria also asked about the ability of borough trucks to travel to Salem.

Seeing no one wishing to speak, a motion was made by Farrell, seconded by Moore, to close the good and welfare portion of the meeting. The motion carried and Council President Kappatos declared good and welfare closed.

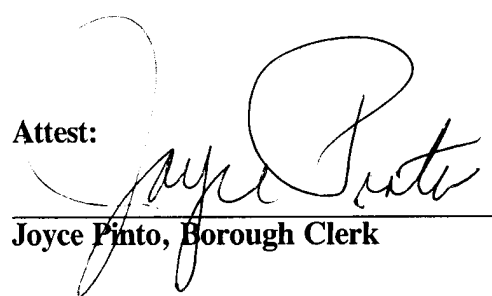
There being no further business to come before Mayor and Council at this time a motion was made by Root and seconded by Farrell to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and Council President Kappatos declared the meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Approved by:



Nick Kappatos, Council President

Attest:



Joyce Pinto, Borough Clerk