



**BOROUGH OF ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

MINUTES OF THE CAUCUS MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

DATE: September 10, 2014

CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 P.M.

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL:

Mayor	Joseph C. Parisi, Jr.
Council President	Joe Favaro
Councilman	Zhi Liang
Councilman	Ramon Ferro
Councilwoman	Gloria Oh
Councilman	Nunzio Consalvo
Councilman	Ed Aversa

ALSO PRESENT:

Borough Attorney	E. Carter Corrison
Municipal Clerk	Lisette M. Duffy

ABSENT:

Chief of Police	Michael Cioffi
Superintendent DPW	Mark Neville
Borough Engineer	Bernie Mirandi

MUNICIPAL CLERK STATED:

Adequate notice of this meeting was given to the press and posted as required. Date and time of these meetings was legally given as required by the "Open Public Meetings Act." This notice is on file with the Municipal Clerk and posted on the bulletin board. Minutes of this meeting will be made available to the public upon the completion of typing and proofreading by the Municipal Clerk.

The following resolution was read by the Clerk:

RESOLUTION 14- 135

RE: CLOSED SESSION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to go into closed session during a public meeting, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Englewood Cliffs will go into closed session for the following reason as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

**Any pending or anticipated litigation
Tax Appeals**

A motion was made by Council President Favaro, seconded by Councilwoman Oh and carried unanimously to go into closed session.

ALL IN FAVOR:

AYES: Liang, Ferro, Favaro, Oh, Consalvo, Aversa

The Mayor recused from Closed Session. Council President Favaro presided over the meeting .

Council President Favaro asked everyone if there was any problem with tax appeals. No one had a reason to go into closed session.

A motion was made by Council President Favaro, seconded by Councilwoman Oh and carried unanimously to close the closed session and go into open session.

ALL IN FAVOR:

AYES: Liang, Ferro, Favaro, Oh, Consalvo, Aversa

The Mayor presided over the meeting.

PUBLIC PORTION:

On a motion by Councilman Aversa, seconded by Councilwoman Oh and carried unanimously, the meeting was opened to the public for discussion.

ALL IN FAVOR:

AYES: Liang, Ferro, Favaro, Oh, Consalvo, Aversa

MAYOR PARISI STATED:

“IF ANYONE WISHES TO COMMENT, THEY MAY DO SO AT THIS TIME.”

No one from the public spoke.

After ample opportunity had been given for public discussion, Council President Favaro moved the public portion be closed. Motion was seconded by Councilman Aversa, and carried unanimously.

ALL IN FAVOR:

AYES: Liang, Ferro, Favaro, Oh, Consalvo, Aversa

Council President Favaro asked the other Council members if they would also come to sign vouchers.

The Mayor said everyone should have the opportunity to review and sign the vouchers.

The Mayor discussed the agenda.

Borough Attorney spoke about the authorization of the pole installation for the siren. Councilman Ferro was against the original location. This new location was looked into before it was selected.

Councilman Ferro asked if we had an easement and if there was 10 feet to put the pole in.

The Mayor spoke about the new sirens. He would like certain times for the siren to go off. This will be discussed with Police and Fire Chiefs.

Mary O'Shea, 12 Irving Avenue, Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632 said she does not hear Fort Lee's sirens.

Councilman Aversa will work with the Fire Department to come up with a better time for the sirens.

The Mayor recused himself from the discussion regarding NW Financial.

Borough Attorney explained the work done by NW Financial.

The Mayor returned.

The Mayor stated that he never spoke to NW Financial and the company was recommended by Englewood Cliffs CFO, Joe Iannaconi.

Councilwoman Oh spoke about the 2013 Audit.

The Mayor said everyone will sign an affidavit confirming that they received and read the 2013 Audit. Everyone confirmed that they received it. You may contact the auditor if there are any questions.

Councilman Ferro noted his name was left off one of the audit pages.

Borough Clerk said CFO Joe Iannaconi will be retiring the end of the year. We would like to hire new CFO soon. The new person will be able to work with Joe Iannaconi to allow a transition period. We will get approval next month to advertise for the position. She will also begin the RFQ's and RFP's in October.

Borough Clerk stated that there is a small pool of candidates that have duo license, Treasurer and CFO.

Mary O'Shea 12 Irving Avenue, Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632, made a suggestion to hire CFO, Joe Iannaconi as a per diem employee after he retires and also to advertise for each job independently.

Council President Favaro said Joe Iannaconi cannot work in the same town he retired from.

The Mayor asked if everyone was in agreement to allow our Borough Clerk/Personnel Director to advertise for the CFO position after consulting with existing CFO and Borough Attorney. All agreed.

The Mayor asked if everyone reviewed the items offered for tonight's meeting. No one on the Council had additional questions; therefore the following items were placed on Regular Agenda for approval:

CORRESPONDENCE: Steven Muhlstock, Esq
Englewood Cliffs Senior Citizens Club

MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS WERE PLACED ON THE REGULAR AGENDA FOR APPROVAL:

Caucus Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2014
Regular Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2014
Special Meeting Minutes of August 25, 2014

THE DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS for August 2014 WERE PLACED ON THE REGULAR AGENDA FOR APPROVAL

THE FOLLOWING VOUCHERS WERE SIGNED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR PAYMENT – CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD August 14, 2014 through September 10, 2014

CAUCUS REVIEW & DISCUSSION on the Following:

RESOLUTIONS 2014:

Consent Agenda

- 136 – 2013 Audit Compliance
- 137 – Tax Appeal Two Sylvan Ave
- 138 – Tax Appeal Two Fifth Street
- 139 - Tax Appeal 360 Sylvan Associates
- 140 - Tax Appeal FR Brunetti 580 Sylvan Ave
- 141 - Tax Appeal SYL Associates 120 Van Nostrand Ave
- 142 - Approval of United Water Main Extension
- 143 – Authorization to Sign Agreement for Pole Installation with Henkels & McCoy
- 144 – Authorization for Emergency Elevator Door Repair
- 145 – Authorization to Award 2014 Leaf Pickup Service
- 146 – Donation to the Police Department
- 147 – Hire NW Financial Group (SEC)

THE MAYOR ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS:

THE MAYOR STATED:

“IF THERE WAS ANY UNFINISHED BUSINESS or NEW BUSINESS AT THIS TIME”

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

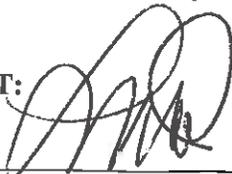
NEW BUSINESS:

Siren – Sound Times

Seeing and hearing none, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Lisette M. Duffy, Borough Clerk

ATTEST:



Lisette M. Duffy, Borough Clerk