

**BOROUGH OF BLOOMSBURY  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 24, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held on March 24, 2015 at Borough Hall, 91 Brunswick Avenue, Bloomsbury, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by the reading of the Sunshine Law by Lisa Burd Reindel.

As required by the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was provided on January 8, 2015 by the publication of said notice in the Hunterdon County Democrat and the posting of said notice in the Municipal Building on the same date.

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	Chris James – arrived 8:00 pm	Al Stiehler
	Kathleen Jordan - excused	Chris Smith
	Vicky Papics	Eric Weger
	Martha Tersigni, Mayor	William Edleston, Esq.

**FLAG SALUTE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The February minutes will be held until the April meeting.

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORTS**

Mrs. Papics moved Council approve the Tax Collector's Monthly Reports of February 28, 2015; seconded by Mr. Stiehler.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Papics-aye; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILL LIST**

Mr. Weger moved Council approve the Bill List of March 24, 2015; seconded by Mr. Smith.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Papics-aye, abstain from payroll; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT**

Mrs. Papics moved Council accept the Code Enforcement Report of March; seconded by Mr. Stiehler. All ayes. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*V.Papics:*

**Fire Department-**

- Mrs. Papics stated that she would have Chief McNulty provide an update about Fire and Rescue. Chief McNulty reminded Council that 25 Rescue from Pattenburg is covering our area now. They will act as primary and secondary will be 45 Rescue. They met with 25 Rescue last night and went over all of their rigs and he has requested that Bloomsbury Fire be alerted for any ALS call in the Borough of Bloomsbury and he is finalizing the same with Harry Heller.

Chief McNulty stated that they also met with Bloomsbury Rescue and they are meeting with their lawyers to finalize their plan on how to dissolve their corporation. He explained that we should get a timeline for that shortly. They currently have limited access to the building for 6 members. He stated that Bloomsbury Hose Company will request that they get first rights to everything that they have to keep anything that may be needed in the Borough to serve our residents in the areas that we cover. He added that there a few fire companies interested in certain assets of 43 Rescue that cover our area and he feels they should be considered next so that equipment stays in Hunterdon County and with companies which serve the Borough.

Mr. Smith voiced his support for the Bloomsbury Hose Company's plan on how to proceed. Mr. Stiehler asked how they know that Rescue has not already sold assets. Chief McNulty stated that their attorneys have told them they cannot sell anything without first having a plan. Mr. Smith and Mr. Stiehler expressed concern that they may have already sold assets anyway. Chief McNulty stated that per Robin and Chuck, they are aware that they cannot sell anything at this point. Discussion followed.

#### *E. Weger:*

##### **DPW-**

- Mr. Weger stated that he spoke to Bob Jr. and Walt about possibly purchasing a second mower so that we have a back up. He said that he suggested they get prices for the same and they indicated their biggest issue with the new mower is the roll bar and their inability to get close to trees with it. He suggested they do some tree trimming. Discussion followed.

Mr. Weger stated that there may be some repairs needed to catch basins that we will keep an eye on. Mrs. Tersigni stated that they began patching today and she understands from Bethlehem Township that Warren Paving now has hot patch. The Clerk explained that we cannot use the hot patch as we have no heated hopper, and that is why our DPW had to wait for cold patch to be available. She explained that she opened a new account with a company in Flemington today that had the product available and the DPW will go there for materials this week.

##### **Septic Grant Subcommittee-**

- Mr. Weger stated that they are moving forward, that the Resolution was adopted last meeting and they had planned to meet at Borough Hall, but it snowed that day so they did a teleconference. The representatives from Rutgers will move forward with completing the grant application and get it submitted. If it does go through there is no obligation on our end, but they feel it is a good opportunity.

#### *A. Stiehler:*

- Mr. Stiehler thanked Mr. Weger for all of his work with the DPW this winter, stating how much he appreciated all the time he put in.

##### **Bloomsbury and Bethlehem Joint Court-**

- Mr. Stiehler stated that the only item he has regarding court is the letter that the Borough received today at 3:00 pm. He explained that the letter states that we sent them the incorrect amount on our last payment for 2014. He called Mayor Muir right away and they said they were under the impression that we were starting the reconciliation with the new contract in 2014, not the old contract 2013. Mr. Stiehler stated that it is not so much the content of the letter, but rather the tone of the letter that is upsetting because that is not the way partnerships talk. Mr. Stiehler stated he cannot understand what the confusion is because he and Mr. Francisco sat there with their court liaison John and went over all of the figures line by line and then Kim provided them with a spreadsheet.

***C. Smith:***

**Recreation –**

- Mr. Smith reported that helpers are here stuffing eggs tonight for the egg hunt.
- Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup> is the start of the lacrosse season weather permitting.
- Mr. Smith reported that Greenwich Recreation may want the annual fees which have been held for a few years to be used for field reconfiguration to be released as they no longer anticipate needing the field changes. Discussion followed.
- Mr. Smith has received a check for \$2,500 from the PTO, proceeds from the Spooky Sprint which they donated to offset deficit of last year's summer recreation program.
- The Committee has decided to suspend the summer recreation program for 2015 and reevaluate the need for the program and compare it to other programs in the area.

**PERRYVILLE STATE POLICE**

Trooper Walsh introduced himself to Council as the new liaison to Bloomsbury Borough. He stated that he grew up in Hunterdon County and the he and the Clerk went to North Hunterdon High School together. He explained that Trooper McGourty has been promoted and will no longer be able to attend. Trooper Walsh stated that he is the liaison between the barracks and Union Township, Lebanon Borough, Bethlehem Township and now Bloomsbury. He said he will try to make it to the meeting each month, but that he and the Clerk have exchanged cell numbers and will stay in touch as needed.

Trooper Walsh stated that from their perspective, Bloomsbury Borough has been relatively quiet. He explained there are some things going on underneath that they are investigating with a few frequent flyers relating to drugs and stuff but that this is not just an issue in the Bloomsbury. He stated that from speaking to the Borough Clerk he understands there are concerns about ATV's in town and he encouraged residents to let them know if they see them on Borough streets. Discussion followed.

Mr. Creveling stated that he gets calls from residents regarding violations of the 4-ton weight limit in the Borough. Trooper Walsh stated that he has already been out to speak with the gentleman directly and had

explained that it is difficult to catch someone in the act. He did encourage him to contact Perryville when he sees one and they will try to come out. Discussion followed. Mr. Creveling asked if he got a plate number off a truck, if Trooper Walsh would be able to track the driver down. Trooper Walsh said that he would try to the same. The Clerk explained that the weight limit may not be enforceable. She explained that she had a visit from NJDOT representatives who stated that they cannot find the required paperwork on file at the State level to allow for our weight limit. She is working with the Borough Engineer to rectify the same, but advised Mr. Creveling he should not write summonses on this matter for the time being.

Trooper Walsh discussed Council and public's concerns about the traffic and parking issues near the truck stops. Council thanked Trooper Walsh for his attendance.

Mrs. Tersigni stated that Council would jump ahead to the Introduction of the 2015 Budget under new business.

**SECOND READING - ORDINANCE # 102-15 - CALENDAR YEAR 2015 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 1.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomsbury in the County of Hunterdon finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2014 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and the citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body hereby determines that a 2.0% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$13,193.80 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by, by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body hereby determines that any amount authorized herein above, that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomsbury, County of Hunterdon, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2015 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Bloomsbury shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:40-45.14, be increased by 3.5%

amounting to \$23,089.15, and that the CY 2015 municipal budget for the Borough of Bloomsbury be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and;

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Mrs. Papics moved Council open Ordinance # 102-15 to the public; seconded by Mr. Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

No discussion was heard.

Mrs. Papics moved Council close Ordinance # 102-15 to the public; seconded by Mr. Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Papics moved Council adopt Ordinance # 102-15; seconded by Mr. Smith. ROLL CALL VOTE: Papics-aye; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

### **INTRODUCTION – 2015 BUDGET**

Mr. Francisco stated that one change was made since he handed out the draft budget last month, and that was to increase the tax collector salary line by \$1,000 to cover the cost of hiring the temporary tax collector this month.

He explained that the budget as proposed would require a slight increase and due to the recent reassessment everyone's assessment will be different this year. Collectively our assessment went down by \$20 million dollars for the Borough so you can't compare the tax rate from last year to this year because the assessed value is different. He explained that if they were the same then the average home owner would pay \$27 more per year to municipal taxes.

Mr. Francisco stated that the purchase of a new mower was not included in this budget but that if Council decided they did want to move forward with that purchase there is money in the capital fund, but would take two months to adopt the required ordinance.

## **2015 Municipal Budget of the Borough of Bloomsbury, County of Hunterdon, for the fiscal year 2015.**

### **Revenue and Appropriation Summaries**

Summary of Revenues	Anticipated	
	2015	2014
<b>1. Surplus</b>	<b>210,000</b>	<b>186,900</b>
<b>2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues</b>	<b>82,837</b>	<b>81,137</b>
<b>3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes</b>	<b>36,000</b>	<b>85,510</b>
<b>4. a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes</b>	<b>541,835</b>	<b>531,203</b>
<b>b) Addition to Local District School Tax</b>		
<b>Total Amount to be Raised by Taxes</b>	<b>541,835</b>	<b>531,203</b>
<b>Total General Revenues</b>	<b>870,672</b>	<b>884,750</b>

Summary of Appropriations	2015 Budget	Final 2013 Budget
<b>1. Operating Expenses: Salaries &amp; Wages</b>	<b>173,040</b>	<b>168,675</b>
<b>1. Operating Expenses: Other Expenses</b>	<b>448,604</b>	<b>467,124</b>
<b>2. Deferred Charges &amp; Other Appropriations</b>	<b>28,928</b>	<b>28,651</b>
<b>3. Capital Improvements</b>	<b>40,700</b>	<b>41,300</b>
<b>4. Debt Service ( Include for School Purposes )</b>		
<b>5. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes</b>	<b>179,400</b>	<b>179,000</b>
<b>Total General Appropriations</b>	<b>870,672</b>	<b>884,750</b>
<b>Total Number of Employees</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>

Balance of Outstanding Debt				
	General	Water Utility	Sewer Utility	Utility-Other
<b>Interest</b>				
<b>Principal</b>				
<b>Outstanding Balance</b>				

Notice is hereby given that the budget and tax resolution was approved by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomsbury, County of Hunterdon, on March 24th, 2015.

**A hearing on the budget and Tax resolution will be held at the Bloomsbury Boro Municipal Building on April 28th, 2015 at 7:00 PM at which time and place objections to the Budget and Tax Resolution may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.**

**Copies of the entire budget are available in the office of Lisa A. Burd Reindel, Borough Clerk, at the Municipal Building, 91 Brunswick Avenue, Bloomsbury, New Jersey, or by calling (908) 479-4200 during the hours of 9 AM to 4 PM.**

Mr. Stiehler moved Council Introduce the 2015 Budget as presented; seconded by Mr. Smith.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Papis-aye, except payroll; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

The public hearing for the 2015 Budget will be held at the April 28, 2015 meeting of the Mayor and Council.

#### **Clerk/Administrator's Report:**

##### **Tax Office –**

- The Clerk reported that later in the agenda Council will discuss hiring a temporary Tax Collector to cover for Sharon Brown while she is out.
- The Clerk reported that she has received copies of tax appeals filed for Travel Centers, 52 Center Street and 75 North.

##### **DPW –**

- The Clerk reported that she set up an account with another asphalt company located in Flemington so that Walt could begin pot hole repairs in the Borough.

#### **2015 Financial Disclosure Statements-**

- The Clerk stated that she has completed her 2015 roster and has removed the Recreation Commission Members.
- Three people received violation notices for failure to file in 2014 and could be subject to fines. The Clerk explained that she has provided notice to these individuals and has also given them the information they need to file an appeal if they feel they are not in violation.

#### **Borough Hall Water Damage-**

- The Clerk reported that she has spoken to the Borough insurance agent regarding the water damage which occurred on March 12, 2015. Mr. Gemmell advised that the Clerk should take pictures and make of list of losses. She later spoke to the adjuster who advised that she should file

for Borough losses with the Fire Departments Insurance first as they should be responsible. The Clerk does not believe this is the case, as the Borough maintains coverage on the contents in Borough Hall. The Clerk does not believe that the adjuster for the Fire Department has been out yet. She will keep Council posted as she goes through the process.

#### **New Copier Purchase/Lease-**

- The Clerk reported that she has contacted three companies, Toshiba, Image Systems and Sharp Business Systems to get quotes on copiers that are comparable to what she had. She explained that so far she has only received information on three different copiers from Toshiba, and nothing from the other two companies. The Clerk stated that in 2009 she paid \$3,900 for a used machine with a finisher and had hoped to get 2 years out of it.

The Clerk stated that a similar used unit is available through Toshiba for \$4,100 and a brand new machine would cost \$7,300 or a 60 month lease would be about \$137 a month. She explained that the CFO mentioned he felt that leasing a new one may be a better route to take. Mr. Francisco stated that he had budgeted for about \$115 month. Discussion followed.

Mr. Stiehler moved Council authorize the Clerk lease a copier for a cost not to exceed \$145 per month; seconded by Mr. Weger.

ROLL CALL VOTE: James-aye; Papics-aye; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

#### ***C. James:***

- Mr. James reminded Council there is a golf outing scheduled for May 3, 2015.

#### ***M. Tersigni:***

#### **Planning Board-**

- Mrs. Tersigni reported that she, the Planning Board Chair and Tom Reilly met with the Borough Planner regarding COAH. She explained that this all ties together with sewers in the Borough, that there are many different options available. Mrs. Tersigni stated that the Borough has had COAH numbers tossed around for years, ranging from 0 – 27 units and it is currently chaos at COAH. Mr. Edleston stated that the Supreme Court has basically said that COAH is dysfunctional and the legislature is more dysfunctional so they have thrown it back to the courts. He explained that certain judges throughout the state will determine based upon recommendations from hearing masters, which are usually planners, as to what the obligation should be. Mr. Edleston reported that the State Supreme Court said that towns have until June 8<sup>th</sup> before this is implemented. After June 8<sup>th</sup> you have 30 days if you feel you have complied with your COAH obligation to apply for a protective order. The question is how many units we have to provide. Discussion followed.

### **Pattensburg Rescue Squad-**

- Mrs. Tersigni reported that Mark Mason would like to make a presentation to Council at an upcoming meeting. She and the Clerk will review upcoming agenda items and determine if April or May would be best. Discussion followed. Mrs. Tersigni stated that they do want a municipal donation from the Borough and will provide whatever financials we request. She added that the Borough has budgeted the same as we have in the past for 2015 so we will need to determine how much will be going to Pattensburg. They are asking for \$30,000 to be raised by the general population through solicitations, by letters that they mail to everyone in their service area. They then request municipal donations as well.

### **Borough Park –**

- Mrs. Tersigni stated that the parking area is a mess and she has contacted some people for prices on stone. She asked if Mr. Weger would be able to help determine how much stone may be needed. Mr. Weger stated that the DPW should first grade it off and then they can look at look at it.
- Mrs. Tersigni stated that there are large ruts in the grass from the gate to the woods. Mr. Weger questioned if AQUA may have gone back to their valve in the woods. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Tersigni stated that other things in the works are code updates, finalizing job descriptions & dealing with alleys and rights of ways in the spring.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **MAIN STREET PHASE III UPDATE**

Mrs. Tersigni stated that the Clerk continues to get complaints about the work which was completed. Discussion followed.

#### **BRUNSWICK AVENUE PHASE I**

Nothing new to report.

#### **SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS**

Nothing new to report.

#### **NORTH STREET/PICKEL LANE**

Nothing new to report.

### **NEW BUSINESS-**

#### **SECOND READING - ORDINANCE 101-15 - AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SALARIES & WAGES FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMSBURY, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2015**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor & Common Council of the Borough of Bloomsbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey.

Section 1. This ordinance shall fix the salaries or wages of the employees of the Borough of Bloomsbury at the following ranges for the year 2015:

Section 2. Salary and wage ranges for the year 2015 are as follows:

- a. Borough Clerk/Administrator \$20,000 - \$48,000 per year, plus  
\$28.00-\$39.50/hr for additional hours.
- b. Deputy Clerk \$9.00 - \$11.00 per hour
- c. Registrar \$1,000 - \$3,000 per year
- d. Deputy Registrar \$100 – \$500 per year
- e. Chief Financial Officer \$9,000 - \$21,000 per year
- f. Tax Assessor \$5,000 - \$11,000 per year
- g. Tax Collector \$5,000 - \$11,500 per year
- h. Public Works Superintendent \$6,500 - \$18,500 per year, plus  
\$20.00-25.00/hr for hours in excess of 65 per month
- i. Public Works Assistant Supervisor \$5,000 - \$16,500 per year, plus  
\$15.00-20.50/hr for hours in excess of 65 per month
- j. Planning Bd. Secretary \$1,500 - \$5,000 per year
- k. Code Enforcement Officer \$5,000 – \$8,000 per year, plus  
\$25.00 per sidewalk inspection
- l. Assistant Code Enfor. Officer \$13.00 - \$15.00 per hour
- m. Emergency Mgt. Coordinator \$1,700 - \$4,000 per year  
\$9.00 - \$11.00/hr. for extraordinary FEMA events
- n. Recycling Coordinator \$250 - \$1,000 per year
- o. Dog/Cat Licensing Official \$400 - \$2,000 per year
- p. Tax Clerk \$2,400 – \$3,000 per year
- q. Assistant EMC \$7.50 - \$10.00 per hour
- r. School Crossing Guard \$28.00 - \$33.00 per day
- s. Public Works - On Call Laborer \$15.00 - \$18.00 per hour
- t. Public Works - Seasonal Laborer \$9.00 - \$12.00 per hour
- u. Public Works – Specialized Laborer \$20.00 - \$30.00 per hour
- v. Summer Recreation Director \$15.00 - \$25.00 per hour
- w. Summer Recreation Junior Director \$9.00 - \$15.00 per hour
- x. Summer Recreation Student Aide \$7.25 – 8.50 per hour

Section 3. All ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

Section 5. The exact annual salary or hourly wage for each position shall be specified by a resolution adopted by the Borough Council during the time this ordinance is effective.

Section 6. No Borough employee shall receive longevity or bonus pay.

Mr. Stiehler moved Council open Ordinance # 101-15 to the public; seconded by Mr. Smith.  
All ayes. Motion carried.

No Comment.

Mr. Smith moved Council close Ordinance # 101-15 to the public; seconded by Mr. Weger.  
All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Smith moved Council adopt Ordinance # 101-15; seconded by Mr. Weger.  
ROLL CALL VOTE: James-aye; Papics-abstain; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

**SECOND READING - ORDINANCE # 103-15 - AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 43 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMSBURY ENTITLED "RECREATION COMMISSIONERS, BOARD OF"**

**BE IT ORDAINED** that the following Sections of the Code of the Borough of Bloomsbury are hereby repealed in their entirety.

**SECTION 43.1 Through SECTION 43.5 - REPEALED**

This Ordinance shall take effect following final passage and publication in accordance with law.

Mr. Weger moved Council introduce Ordinance # 103-15; seconded by Mrs. Papics.  
ROLL CALL VOTE: James-aye; Jordan-aye; Papics-aye; Smith-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

The public hearing for Ordinance # 103-15 will be scheduled for March 24, 2015.

Mr. Weger moved Council open Ordinance # 103-15 to the public; seconded by Mr. Stiehler.  
All ayes. Motion carried.

No Comment.

Mr. Stiehler moved Council close Ordinance # 103-15 to the public; seconded by Mr. Weger.  
All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Weger moved Council adopt Ordinance # 103-15; seconded by Mr. Stiehler.  
ROLL CALL VOTE: James-aye; Papics-aye; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE # 104-15 - AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 43 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BLOOMSBURY TO BE ENTITLED "RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE"**

**BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bloomsbury that a Recreation Advisory Committee is hereby established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:81-13.

**SECTION 43.1** Committee Created. There is hereby created a Recreation Advisory Committee pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:60-6.

**SECTION 43.2** Membership. The membership of the committee shall consist of three members who are residents of the Borough and shall be appointed by the Mayor.

**SECTION 43.3** Term of Office: Vacancies. All appointments shall be made by the Mayor for a term of three years with any vacancy occurring therein to be filled for the unexpired term only. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the members shall serve until their respective successors are appointed and qualify.

**SECTION 43.4** Compensation. All committeepersons shall serve without compensation.

**SECTION 43.5** Function. The Recreation Advisory Committee shall function only to make recommendations regarding the expenditure of funds related to recreation involving the Borough. Borough Council shall have the sole authority to approve any expenditures recommended and to determine the disbursement of all funds related to matters of recreation.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency only.

This Ordinance shall take effect following a public hearing thereon and adoption and publication in accordance with law.

Mr. Stiehler moved Council open Ordinance # 104-15 to the public; seconded by Mrs. Papics.  
All ayes. Motion carried.

No Comment.

Mr. Weger moved Council close Ordinance # 104-15 to the public; seconded by Mr. Smith.  
All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Smith moved Council adopt Ordinance # 104-15; seconded by Mr. Weger.  
ROLL CALL VOTE: James-aye; Papics-aye; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION # 27-15 - REFUND OF TAXES - Block 14 Lot 17**

**WHEREAS**, the following property an overpayment of property taxes for 2015;

**WHEREAS**, this overpayment occurred due to a duplicate payment;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Bloomsbury this 24th day of March, 2015 that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to refund the following taxes:

**Block 14 Lot 17  
30 North Street  
Borough of Bloomsbury  
91 Brunswick Ave.**

**\$1,593.44 – Duplicate Payment**

Mr. Stiehler moved Council adopt Resolution # 27-15; seconded by Mr. Smith.

ROLL CALL VOTE: James-aye; Papics-aye; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION # 28-15 -REFUND OF TAXES - Block 25 Lot 7**

**WHEREAS**, the following property has a refund for property taxes for 2013 & 2014;

**WHEREAS**, this overpayment amount occurred due to the 2013 & 2014 judgements;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Bloomsbury this 24th day of March, 2015 that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to refund the following taxes:

**Block 25 Lot 7  
125 Main Street  
Borough of Bloomsbury  
91 Brunswick Ave.**

**\$422.77 – Net Refund for 2013 & 2014 Judgements**

Mr. Stiehler moved Council adopt Resolution # 28-15; seconded by Mr. Smith.

ROLL CALL VOTE: James-aye; Papics-aye; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION # 29-15 - BLOOMSBURY HOSE COMPANY # 1 INC.**

**OFF-PREMISE 50/50 RAFFLE**

**WHEREAS**, the Bloomsbury Hose Company No. 1 Inc. is the licensee on the application to conduct an Off-Premise 50/50 Raffle on May 15, 2015 to be held at the Bloomsbury Hose Company, 91 Brunswick Avenue, from 6:30 - 10:30 PM.

**WHEREAS**, the appropriate application forms and fees have been submitted to the Borough Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, there appear to be no reasons to deny the aforesaid off-premise 50/50 raffle,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council as follows:

1. The off-premise 50/50 raffle application is approved contingent to the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission approving said application.

Mr. Smith moved Council adopt Resolution # 29-15; seconded by Mrs. Papics. All ayes. Motion carried.

**CONTRACT AMENDMENT – Public Health Services Interlocal Agreement**

The Clerk explained that Council had previously voted to join the County in contracting for Animal Control Services, but now need to amend the Public Health Agreement with the County to include the same.

Mr. Smith moved Council authorize the Mayor sign the contract amendment; seconded by Mr. Stiehler.

ROLL CALL VOTE: James-aye; Papics-aye; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

**4 TON WEIGHT LIMIT RESTRICTION**

The Clerk explained that two representatives came to her office and stated that they do not have the required approvals on file to allow for the Borough 4 ton weight limit. They explained that they could remove the signs in the Borough stating that they are not approved and there may be entrapment issues. The Clerk explained that there is a report which is required from the Borough Engineer which would need to be submitted to NJDOT for their approval and then it would need to be incorporated into the Code as well. The Engineer felt it would cost approximately \$900 to complete.

Council agreed that Mr. Roseberry should proceed as needed.

**TEMPORARY TAX COLLECTOR**

Mr. Smith moved Council hire Mary Knapp as temporary tax collector at a rate of \$25 per hour; seconded by Mr. Weger.

ROLL CALL VOTE: James-aye; Papics-aye; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Council reviewed correspondence. Discussion followed.

**CFO CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE**

Mrs. Papics moved Council authorize Kim Francisco to attend his annual conference for a cost not to exceed \$600; seconded by Mr. Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

**PROFESSIONALS' CONTRACTS**

Mrs. Papics moved Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute professionals' contracts for 2015; seconded by Mr. Stiehler.

ROLL CALL VOTE: James-aye; Papics-aye; Smith-aye; Stiehler-aye; Weger-aye.

Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Comment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Weger; seconded by Mr. Stiehler. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:46 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa A. Burd Reindel, RMC, CMR  
Borough Clerk/Administrator