

**BOROUGH OF BLOOMSBURY  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 26, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held on May 26, 2015 at Borough Hall, 91 Brunswick Avenue, Bloomsbury, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 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 - excused	Al Stiehler - excused
	Kathleen Jordan - excused	Chris Smith
	Vicky Papics	Eric Weger
	Martha Tersigni, Mayor	William Edleston, Esq.

**FLAG SALUTE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Smith moved Council approve the April 28, 2015 meeting minutes; seconded by Mrs. Papics. All ayes. Motion carried.

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Weger moved Council approve the Tax Collector's Monthly Report of April 30, 2015; seconded by Mrs. Papics.

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

**APPROVAL OF BILL LIST**

Mr. Weger moved Council approve the Bill List of May 26, 2015; seconded by Mr. Smith.

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

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT**

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

Mrs. Papics reported that the grass in the front of 96 Brunswick has been mowed, but that the back yard and lower yard still has not. Mr. Creveling will follow up about the same.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR:**

**SPOOKY SPRINT-**

Mr. Smith moved Council approve the Spooky Sprint be held on October 31, 2015 beginning at 9:00 am; seconded by Mrs. Papics. All ayes. Motion carried.

A formal resolution of approval will be considered by Council at the June meeting.

***M. Tersigni Report-***

Mrs. Tersigni announced that the Clerk had been recognized by the Municipal Clerks Association of New Jersey and received the Spotlight Award for April.

**STREET SWEEPING-**

The Clerk will schedule street sweeping for Monday June 1<sup>st</sup> with a rain date of June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**COAH -**

Mr. Edleston reported that he spoke to Chuck McGroarty today and we will be filing by July 8, 2015. He stated that a draft will be provided to Mayor and Council to review in a week.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION # 35-15 - BLOOMSBURY HOSE COMPANY LIQUOR LICENSE 2015**

**WHEREAS**, the Bloomsbury Hose Company is the holder of a liquor license which is to expire June 30, 2015,

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

**WHEREAS**, there appear to be no reasons to deny renewal of the aforesaid liquor license,

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

1. The liquor license of the Bloomsbury Hose Company No. 1 be and the same is hereby extended for the one-year period beginning July 1, 2015 and terminating June 30, 2016.
2. Nothing herein shall be construed as relieving the license holder to the obligation to fully comply with all state and municipal regulations relating to the license holder.

Mrs. Papics moved Council adopt Resolution #35-15; seconded by Mr. Weger.

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

**RESOLUTION #36-15 - CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION 50/50 RAFFLE**

**WHEREAS**, the Church of the Annunciation is the licensee on the application to conduct an Off-Premise 50/50 Raffle, to be held on June 13, 2015 at the 80 Main Street, Bloomsbury, New Jersey from 7:00 am – 2:00 pm; and

**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 on-premise 50/50 raffle,

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

1. The on-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 #36-15; seconded by Mr. Weger.

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

**RESOLUTION # 37-15 - REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE #2014-002**

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Collector has, on May 26, 2015, received the amount of \$18,940.11 from Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt & Fader, LLC who is a party of legal interest of Block 16 Lot 13 as full payment for the redemption of Tax Sale Certificate #2014-002 which was purchased by Henry Hansch, Jr. 504 Chandler Lane, Whippany, NJ 07981

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED**, on this 26th day of May 2015 by a majority of the Members of the Governing Body of the Borough of Bloomsbury, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be hereby authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$18,940.11 to Henry Hansch Jr, 504 Chandler Lane, Whippany, NJ 07981 for redemption of this lien.

Mr. Weger moved Council adopt Resolution #37-15; seconded by Mr. Smith.

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

**RESOLUTION #38-15 – SEPTIC SYSTEM ALTERATION WAIVER – Block 16; Lot 19; 41 Brunswick Avenue**

To approve the Septic System alteration subject to compliance with a memo from Robert Vaccarella of Hunterdon County Health Department dated April 27, 2015 and also subject to a memo from Richard Roseberry, Borough Engineer, dated May 26, 2015.

Mrs. Papics moved Council adopt Resolution #38-15; seconded by Mr. Weger.

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

### **CROSSING GUARD –**

Mrs. Tersigni stated that the Clerk will email Council a draft job description for the crossing guard position. She asked that Council review the same and provide comments to the Clerk by June 3, 2015.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Council reviewed email correspondence received from Ilse Goshen, 69 Main Street regarding a dead tree on her property which she feels may have been damaged during the Main Street reconstruction project. Mrs. Tersigni reported that Mr. Roseberry does not believe the road work caused any damage. The Clerk stated that Mrs. Goshen will forward tree removal estimates as available for Council consideration.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Weger moved Council open public comment; seconded by Mr. Smith. All ayes. Motion carried.

### **PERRYVILLE STATE POLICE**

Trooper Walsh reported that he met with Ms. Ferrero today and discussed her concerns about traffic flow near the trucks stops. He understands there are continuing concerns about the trucks and NJSP are addressing the same. Trooper Walsh stated that people were complaining about speeders on Church Street so he observed drivers for an hour and maybe one car went by that was exceeding the speed limit to the point that he would actually pull them over. He acknowledged that it was just for one hour, but it did not appear that speeding in that area was a big problem.

Trooper Walsh stated that he had Donna Surdich run a summary of parking tickets that were issued in the area of the truck stops last year to show that they are addressing the issue. The report showed that 195 tickets written. Discussion followed.

Ann Ferrero, 54 Main Street stated that she appreciates that there is activity around the truck stops, explaining that she thought it was as much of an enforcement issue as it is a design issue. She said that based on the number of tickets issued, it is clear some enforcement is going on. Ms. Ferrero stated that she now wonders if it is time to elevate it to the Department of Transportation. Mrs. Tersigni stated that after their last discussion she reached out to the Borough Engineer about the same and she reported about it at the last Council meeting. She explained that Mr. Roseberry felt we would not get anywhere with the DOT. Discussion followed. Trooper Walsh stated that it has not been a high accident incident area. Ms. Ferrero stated that it is almost as if someone needs to be killed before the DOT does anything or that the accidents would have to be plentiful or serious before they take action.

Mr. Smith moved Council close public comment; seconded by Mrs. Papics. All ayes. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Weger; seconded by Mr. Smith. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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