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The Council Meeting of the Butler Mayor and Council was opened by Mayor Joseph Heywang who indicated that the meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act having been duly advertised and posted in Borough Hall. This was followed by the Pledge to the Flag and a Moment of Reflection.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Joseph Heywang, Councilman Edwin Vath, Councilman Robert Fox, Councilman Steven Regis, Councilman Robert Meier, Council President Robert Alviene and Councilwoman Judith Woop

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 20, August 2, September 7, 2010 and Executive Meeting September 7, 2010

Moved: Fox

Second: Regis

All in favor.

MEETING OF PUBLIC AND INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION

Gerard Tutzauer, 55 Myrtle Ave., did survey of Myrtle Ave. resident regarding speed humps. The petition was presented to the Governing Body. Mr. Tutzauer stated that all but one person agreed to speed humps.

He said the people were still speeding even though the road is unpaved.

Councilman Fox stated that he had a meeting with the Fire Chief, Police Chief, Tri-Boro First Aid Squad representatives and the Borough road department. All departments are against speed humps.

The Police Chief said you would need 80% of the motorists to be speeding to install speed humps. The survey indicated that 2.5% of the motorists speed on that road.

The representatives of the police, fire, first aid and road departments like the idea of the stop signs on street and they feel the public should be educated.

Councilman Regis said the road will be monitored and all new signage will be installed.

Mrs. Tutzauer, 55 Myrtle Ave., feels an unmarked police vehicle should monitor the road.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Tax Collectors Report - August 2010 - \$5,082,284.64

Power & Light/Water & Sewer Dept. - \$3,716,591.72

Councilman Vath reported on the following:

The Borough Administrator and the CFO met with the department heads to project next years budget.

Councilman Vath moved R2010-82 AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYMENT OF BILLS & VOUCHERS

Borough Attorney, Robert Oostdyk, noted that council members who are also firemen should abstain on voting for fire equipment unless there are not enough council members present for the vote.

A member of the audience, Mrs. Mosier, called out that it is the law. Councilman Meier stated that we do not need comments from the gallery.

Second: Fox

Voted Aye: Fox, Regis, Alviene, Woop

Voted Aye with abstention from fire equipment: Vath, Meier

Voted Nay: None

R2010-82 adopted.

Councilman Fox reported on the following:

Myrtle Ave. was milled today. Paving will be done Friday or Monday. Then striping and signage will be done.

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Councilman Regis reported on the following:

Pequanmook Engine and Hose will hold their pancake breakfast this Sunday.

He met with the police chief regarding Myrtle & Morse intersection. The area will be monitored with possible changes with additional stop signs.

Councilman Meier reported on the following:

Routine O&M of the physical plants.

Replaced vacuum pulsator blower at water treatment plant.

Transferred water supply on Stillwater to new line.

Repaired lead in water main at Belleview and Myrtle

Flushed Belleview Terrace on August 20, 2010.

Fairview Ave. water main relocated.

Myrtle Ave. improvements began August 9, 2010.

Council President Alviene reported on the following:

Low voltage was repaired in Smoke Rise.

Accident causing electric department damage was repaired on Park Place in Butler.

Digger derrick bid came in lower than expected.

Tree trimming is ongoing.

Fire Prevention vehicle is not being used by that department at the present time, it will be used by meter reader instead of purchasing a new one.

Councilwoman Woop reported on the following:

September 22nd is the next Board of Health meeting.

November 3rd – flu shots in Council Chambers from 3:30 – 7PM.

October 9th is another Bountiful Butler day in the Museum parking lot. The local business owners will be meeting prior to that day to discuss the event.

Borough Administrator Jim Lampmann reported on the following:

Stillwater Bridge is done and the temporary cut thru was closed.

Macopin Bridge is to be opened by October 15th.

He reported that he will be off work for the next three days.

He thanked Council President Alviene for his assistance with a sewer issue – Council President Alviene had the county road department come Friday afternoon and help the Borough with the repair.

Mayor Heywang reported on the following:

School district grants were approved for 40% reimbursement in the amount of approximately \$219,000.

Ad hoc meeting the school board is next Tuesday.

PRESENTATION OF CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS

Tie a Ribbon Campaign

The Borough will take part in this project – ribbons will be supplied to the Borough Clerk who will place them around town for the month of October.

The Borough received a letter from the New Jersey Department of Labor notifying us that Precision Forms, Inc. received a grant to upgrade the skills of their workforce for \$24,000.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Nothing scheduled

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

No ordinances to introduce

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ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION

No ordinances for public hearing

RESOLUTIONS

R2010-84 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS, OVERPAYMENTS OR CANCELLATIONS IN THE ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Moved: Fox Second: Vath

Voted Aye: Woop, Alviene, Meier, Regis, Fox, Vath

Voted Nay: None

R2010-84 adopted.

R2010-85 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS, OVERPAYMENTS OR CANCELLATIONS IN THE TAX OFFICE

Moved: Fox Second: Vath

Voted Aye: Woop, Alviene, Meier, Regis, Fox, Vath

Voted Nay: None

R2010-85 adopted.

R2010-86 APPROVAL FOR ISSUANCE OF ABC LICENSES 2010/2011 (RIVER PLACE AND BUTLER BOWL)

Moved: Fox Second: Regis

Voted Aye: Vath, Fox, Regis, Meier, Alviene, Woop

Voted Nay: None

R2010-86 adopted.

R2010-87 RESOLUTION FOR RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

Moved: Fox Second: Alviene

Voted Aye: Woop, Alviene, Meier, Regis, Fox, Vath

Voted Nay: None

R2010-87 adopted.

R2010-88 RESOLUTION ADOPTING FOR TO BE USED FOR OPRA REQUESTS

Moved: Fox Second: Vath

Voted Aye: Vath, Fox, Regis, Meier, Alviene, Woop

Voted Nay: None

R2010-88 adopted.

R2010-89 AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT UNDER STATE CONTRACT PORTABLE AIR COMPRESSOR FROM THE WATER FUND CAPITAL

Moved: Alviene Second: Meier

Voted Aye: Woop, Alviene, Meier, Regis, Fox, Vath

Voted Nay: None

R2010-89 adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing to report

Councilman Fox read the letter from the State indicating the meeting to be held on October 28, 2010 in council chambers to discuss the placement of a cell tower on State owned property on Route 23 just south of Roosevelt Ave.

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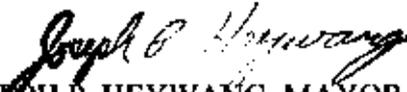
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INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION FROM PUBLIC

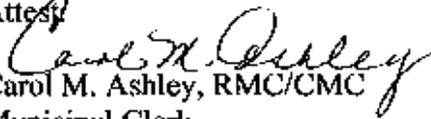
Sherrí Bednarz Mosier asked for an apology from Council President Alviene for Councilman Meier's statement to her previously in the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 8PM

Adopted:


JOSEPH P. HEYWANG, MAYOR

Attest:


Carol M. Ashley, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk

Dated: 10/19/10