

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD AUGUST 16, 2005

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey was held in the Council Chambers of Borough Hall at 8:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Housel, Woykowski, Turner, Glaser, Van Deursen and Buoye – 6 Present.

Absent: Oakley – 1 Absent

Also Present: Richard J. Sheola, Borough Manager
Richard P. Cushing, Esq., Municipal Attorney
Robert Miller, C.M.E., Borough Engineer
Linda L. Hendershot, RMC/CMC, Borough Clerk

Mayor Van Deursen led everyone in the flag salute.

Mayor Van Deursen read the following Statement into the Record:

“The requirements of the ‘Open Public Meetings Law, 1975, Chapter 231 have been satisfied in that adequate notice of this meeting has been published in the Star Gazette and posted on the Bulletin Board of Borough Hall stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting as required by law.”

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting – August 2, 2005

Mayor Van Deursen entertained additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting held August 2, 2005.

The following corrections were noted for the Clerk to revise:

Page 1 - The word communications to read correct;
Page 3 - The word Council to be replaced with audience;
Page 5 - The last paragraph, additional words were added to clarify the sentence. After the word committed “an” was removed and (to the loan) was inserted and the second sentence after the word it, (is) was inserted;

Page 6 - Several corrections were noted, beginning with the first paragraph. The statement was made by the Mayor, not Mrs. Higgins, the second paragraph should end with a period (.) instead of a question mark (?), The third paragraph from the bottom, Councilwoman Woykowski’s name was spelled incorrectly and the last paragraph was re-worded to replace the word toward with (in addition to) and the word Grant replaced with the word (Loan).

Page 7 - Councilwoman Woykowski’s statement was reconstructed with an excerpt submitted to the Clerk revising this paragraph.

It was therefore moved by Housel, seconded by Turner that the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held August 2, 2005 be approved with the corrections noted by the Clerk.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Housel, Buoye, Van Deursen and Turner - Ayes: 5,
Nays: 0 – Abstained: Glaser.

Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The following communications were entered into the record:

1. NJ State League Re: Appellate Division Upholds Use of Eminent Domain to acquire open space;
2. NJ State League Re: Legislation to Allow Local Regulation of Railroad-Operated Garbage Dumps;
3. Mayors Fax Advisory Re: Summit on Prevention Gangs and Youth Violence;
4. JCP & Light Company Rate Increase;
5. Washington Borough B.I.D. Re: “Smart Future Planning Grants” and
6. Senator Lance Re: Modifying the Time of Decision Rule

Mayor Van Deursen entertained discussion on any of the communications prior to moving a motion to acknowledge, receive and file.

Councilman Buoye commented on Item #1 and questioned whether this legislation will affect our current situation with the Baker litigation?

Attorney Cushing outlined the outcome of this particular case and noted that this gives the Council another option with the Baker tract to preserve it as open space. Attorney Cushing outlined the steps that would be required if Council would opt to exercise the use of eminent domain to acquire open space.

Mayor Van Deursen commented on Item #5 and noted that Council should try to apply for this grant again. She questioned what special project(s) could be considered for this grant? Some possible areas to consider were parking, the Recreation Commission's pursuit of grants for the Railroad Avenue Park and the Borough Garage project.

Hearing no further discussion on the communications, it was moved by Glaser, seconded by Turner that the communications numbered #1 thru #6 be acknowledged, received and filed.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

AUDIENCE:

Mayor Van Deursen entertained remarks from the audience on items that were not part of the meeting agenda.

Dave Higgins, 113 Harding Drive had some questions on a Resolution that was adopted by the governing body in November, 2004 for the issuance of Bond Anticipation Notes. In that resolution the Council allocated the sum of \$ 283,000.00 for the Green Acres Loan for the Recreation Commission project. It was explained that the money was provided for in the event the Recreation Commission moved forward prior to the loan money being received.

Tom Mason, 114 Harding Drive addressed several issues of concern beginning with the location of the “No Parking signs” being erected, some of which are encroaching on people’s lawns. He also was concerned with the Flower Avenue trenches which are part of the storm drain project. A base coat should be laid and the steel plates should also be done.

Mr. Mason also pointed out a severe water problem that surfaces from a spring in the vicinity of Flower and Harding Drive. In the winter it creates three to four inches of ice for the Road Department to deal with. A storm drain should be put in where this spring is located.

Engineer Miller noted that this is an issue that has been identified by his office and the Borough has to decide if it is a project they want to fund. Mayor Van Deursen suggested that this issue be a priority for the street committee to pursue.

Councilman Turner suggested sending a letter to the utility companies with respect to the some of the road openings and the lack of proper restoration of the roadway.

It was pointed out that the roads are in their present condition as a result of the sewer project. Councilman Turner stated that the contractor then needs to do some temporary work on these roads prior to final restoration.

Manager Sheola noted that he will be meeting with the contractor in charge of the sewer project to review a lot of problems that have arisen as a result of this project.

Mr. Mason also noted that he drives bus for the school district. It was his opinion that the construction of Carlton Avenue during this time of year when school resumes is very poor timing on the part of the Council. Under normal circumstances this street is dangerous with children darting out into the roadway and parents dropping their children off.

Engineer, Bob Miller noted that they have met with the school officials and have ironed out many of the problems they anticipate during the construction.

Manager Sheola explained that the school and the Borough will be dealing with all the challenges this project will bring and the safety of the children are uppermost in everyone's thoughts.

Councilwoman Woykowski stated that she is having a difficult time in buying into the statement that we cannot tell the contractor what to do in terms of protecting the interest and concerns of the public. She requested that this be an item for future discussion at another time. She felt that the proposals could be written differently.

Attorney Cushing noted that under the Public Contracts Law when contractors are retained to do a project for a municipality you can't actually tell the contractor what to do or how to do it when it comes to scheduling their work.

Councilman Turner noted that the contractor shouldn't leave holes open in the roadways.

Manager Sheola pointed out that there is built-in calendar days and liquidated damages built into these contracts that can be charged back to the contractor.

Councilwoman Glaser also noted that attorneys are to read and review the clauses that are in these contracts to protect the best interest of the Borough.

Tony Perricone, Sunrise Terrace pointed out to the Council that they should be very concerned with the conditions of the streets as a result of the sewer project. He was afraid that someone was going to get hurt as there are potholes all over the place and gravel placed down that make it very treacherous driving.

Hearing no further remarks from the audience, it was moved by Housel, seconded by Glaser that the audience portion of the meeting be closed.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

REPORTS:

It was moved by Glaser, seconded by Housel that the Fire Prevention, Borough Clerk O.T., Road Department O.T., Municipal Court, Police, Borough Manager's and Recreation Commission reports be accepted as presented and filed.

Discussion: Councilman Turner wanted the Road Department and Police Department thanked for their excellent reports. Their reports are giving him something to read and is what he has been looking for. It gives him an idea of what they are doing.

Councilwoman Woykowski was also pleased with the format of the reports they were receiving. She was particularly pleased with the format of the court report and felt that this was a good example for other departments to follow. The reports give statistical information and give a positive reaction from the public. The reports give a nice picture of the work the departments are doing. She also felt that the Manager's report was excellent and gave them the information they need to make some very important decisions this evening.

Mayor Van Duersen expressed some of the same sentiments.

VOUCHERS:

Mayor Van Deursen entertained questions and or additions to the vouchers and claims for payment.

Councilman Turner has some minor questions with regard to a voucher on Page 15 dealing with the pool design and another on Page 17 dealing with the Road Department garage.

Hearing no further questions, it was moved by Housel, seconded by Glaser that the vouchers and claims be paid in the amount of \$1,153,700.82 as reflected in the debit/credit memorandum on file in the Collector-Treasurer's office.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Housel, Buoye, Van Deursen, Turner and Glaser.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Report of Auction Results

Manager Sheola reported that there were no bids received at the auction held July 27th. It would be his recommendation that the bicycles be advertised and sold for \$ 5.00 each with the remainder not sold going to a charitable organization such as the Viet Nam Vets who clean and repair them to be given to underprivileged children.

With respect to the computers they could be offered to the employees for \$ 5.00 to \$ 10.00 with the boards being removed. Councilwoman Woykowski noted that there still could be some time sensitive material in the systems.

Councilman Turner also noted that some of our schools might be interested in the computers.

Councilwoman Glaser noted that NORWESCAP or the area Nursery Schools might also be interested in them. Council concurred with the Manager's approval of the disposition of these items and directed him to move forward with his recommendation.

Downtown Business Zones

The report submitted by Carl Hintz was acknowledged. It was determined that the report would be discussed with the Re-development team and forwarded back to the Planning Board with their recommendations.

Council Policy Reviews

The Council Policy Reviews were discussed individually.

The following action was taken:

The Personnel Policy was referred back to the committee for further review of the proposed changes as per the e-mails received.

A motion was made by Woykowski, seconded by Turner that Council approve the policy on Complaints Against Employees to include the changes noted in Section 1 and to place a time limit of thirty (30) days on the unfounded allegations with documentation.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Housel, Buoye, Van Deursen, Turner and Glaser.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

The Drug Free Workplace Policy needs to be referred back to the committee to finalize it.

The Sexual Harassment Policy was referred to Attorney Richard Cushing's office for a report to be submitted at the first meeting in October.

The Police Policy will also be reviewed by the Attorney's office. One issue brought up was possibly banning the use of all tobacco products on the job. This will be considered as a health issue.

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Glaser that the Policy for Insurance Quotes be approved with a thirty (30) day requirement for quotes.

Roll Call: Glaser, Turner, Woykowski, Housel, Buoye and Van Deursen.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

The Snow Removal Policy was discussed extensively. One suggestion was to extend the time limit for removal of the snow. The snow removal issue is part of the ordinance in the Borough's Code.

There was extensive discussion as to whether there was a need for a Snow Removal Policy.

Councilwoman Woykowski still felt there was a need for this policy. The streets need to be identified and what types of streets they are. There needs to be a plan implemented as to how the streets should be plowed.

After extensive discussion it was suggested that a committee be composed of the Manager, John Burd and Keith Gonzales, Emergency Management Coordinator to address the concerns of the snow removal from the streets.

It was further moved by Turner, seconded by Glaser to repeal the Snow Removal Policy.

Roll Call: Housel, Buoye, Van Deursen, Buoye, Housel and Woykowski.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

It was moved by Housel, seconded by Glaser that the Policy on the Vacation of Streets be approved with the recommendations of the committee to be included which are minor in nature.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Housel, Buoye, Van Deursen, Turner and Glaser.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

South Lincoln Avenue Parking

Continued discussion took place with regard to eliminating parking on South Lincoln Avenue.

Councilman Buoye reported that St. Peter's Episcopal Church had concerns with regard to liability issues so they backed out of offering their parking lot for off-street parking.

Councilman Turner noted that there is no easy solution to this issue.

Extensive discussion followed at which time it was moved by Housel, seconded by Glaser to direct the Manager and Attorney to prepare an ordinance that would provide for “Resident Parking Stickers” only for S. Lincoln Avenue on a free trial basis for one car only, per family, for those who have no off-street parking; stickers would be good for the east side of S. Lincoln Avenue only.

Roll Call: Glaser, Turner, Van Deursen, Buoye, Housel and Woykowski.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

It was moved by Glaser, seconded by Woykowski that the Council take a short five (5) minute recess at 10:30 PM.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

Council reconvened with everyone present at 10:40 PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

Barbara Theis - Welfare Director – Discussion of General Assistance Program

Mrs. Theis had to leave as she was not feeling well. She has asked that Council discuss this issue in Executive Session at the next meeting.

Superfund Sites

Manager Sheola gave the Council an update on Superfund Sites in the Borough. The proposed plan was enclosed for the Council’s information. Presently there is no federal money to fund the clean-up.

Resolutions #137-2005 thru #139-2005

The following Resolutions were moved by Glaser, seconded by Turner and adopted:

RESOLUTION #137-2005

**A RESOLUTION TO CANCEL 2005 TAXES
DUE TO VETERAN EXEMPT STATUS**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has received an approved application for a 100% Permanent and Total Disabled Veteran from the Tax Assessor for Block 007, Lot 006, located at 100 W. Warren Street and in the names of Hoffman, John V. and Betty L.; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has advised the Tax Collector that the application for the exemption was received and approved as of June 30, 2005 for the effective date of June 30, 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel the 2005 Real Estate Property Taxes as of June 30, 2005 in the amount of \$ 3,412.82 due to the exempt status.

Roll Call: Glaser, Turner, Van Deursen, Buoye, Housel and Woykowski.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #138-2005

**A RESOLUTION TO REFUND 2005
REAL ESTATE TAXES AND CANCEL BALANCE OF 2005 TAXES
DUE TO EXEMPT VETERAN STATUS**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has received an approved application for a 200% Permanent and Total Disabled Veteran from the Tax Assessor for Block 066.01, Lot 015; located at 79 Flower Avenue and in the names of Adams, John D and Patricia A; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has advised the Tax Collector that the application for the exemption was received and approved as of April 26, 2005 for an effective date of April 26 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey to hereby authorize the Tax Collector to refund the amount of \$ 642.43 and to cancel the balance of the 2005 taxes in the amount of \$ 3,229.63 and authorize the Treasurer to refund the amount of \$ 642.43 payable to:

John D & Patricia Adams
79 Flower Avenue
Washington, NJ 07882

Roll Call: Glaser, Turner, Van Deursen, Buoye, Housel and Woykowski.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #139-2005

**A RESOLUTION TO REFUND 2005
REAL ESTATE TAXES AND CANCEL BALANCE OF 2005 TAXES
DUE TO EXEMPT VETERAN STATUS**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has received an approved application for a 100% Permanent and Total Disabled Veteran from the Tax Assessor for Block 099, Lot 006.01; located at 127 W. Washington Avenue and in the names of Trimmer, Jack R Sr. and Larue A; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has advised the Tax Collector that the application for the exemption was received and approved as of March 16, 2005 for an effective date of March 16, 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey, to hereby authorize the Tax Collector to refund the amount of \$ 1,128.52 and to cancel the balance of the 2005 taxes in the amount of \$ 3,616.40 and authorize the Treasurer to refund the amount of \$ 1,128.52 payable to:

Jack R Sr. and Larue A. Trimmer
127 W. Washington Ave.
Washington, NJ 07882

Roll Call: Glaser, Turner, Woykowski, Buoye, Housel and Van Deursen.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

Resolutions #140-2005 and #141-2005 – Change Orders – Extraneous Flow Project

The following Resolutions were moved by Glaser, seconded by Turner and adopted:

RESOLUTION #140-2005

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #3
RELATED TO THE EXTRANEIOUS FLOW REDUCTION
PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Washington is repairing/replacing various sanitary sewers as part of an extensive rehabilitation program; and

WHEREAS, from time to time during the construction process, various field changes and adjustments are necessary; and

WHEREAS, the project engineers, Schoor DePalma have recommended the following Change Order:

Removal/disposal of concrete curbing and gutter \$ 10,079.21

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington wishes to accept the change order for this work as it is in the best interest of the Borough of Washington. A Certification of Available Funds is attached and made part of this document.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey to approve Change Order #3 and authorize the Borough Manager and Project Engineer to prepare the necessary documents as soon as possible and for the Borough Manager to execute the change order on behalf of Washington Borough.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Housel, Van Deursen, Turner, Buoye and Housel.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION #141-2005

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #4
RELATED TO THE EXTRANEIOUS FLOW REDUCTION
PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Washington is repairing/replacing various sanitary sewers as part of an extensive rehabilitation program; and

WHEREAS, from time to time during the construction process, various field changes and adjustments are necessary; and

WHEREAS, the project engineers, Schoor DePalma have recommended the following Change Order:

Removal/disposal of asphalt	\$ 6,010,32
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WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington wishes to accept the change order for this work as it is in the best interest of the Borough of Washington. A Certification of Available Funds is attached and made a part of this documents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey to approve Change Order #4 and authorize the Borough Manager and Project Engineer to prepare the necessary documents as soon as possible and for the Borough Manager to execute the change order on behalf of Washington Borough.

Roll Call: Glaser, Turner, Van Deursen, Buoye, Housel and Woykowski.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.

Motion carried.

Resolution #142-20025 – Authorizing the Execution of a Contract for Professional Services

The following Resolution was moved by Turner, seconded by Housel and adopted:

RESOLUTION #142-2005

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTERING INTO A
CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITHOUT
SEEKING COMPETITIVE BIDS.**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for Employee Assistance Program services for the Borough employees; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the 2005 Operating Budget – Medical Insurance for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. Seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bids must be publicly advertised; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Horizon Health, Nashville, TN has submitted a proposal dated July 22, 2005 to perform employee assistance and mental health services; and

WHEREAS, the services to be provided by Horizon Health, constitutes professional services that need not be bid pursuant to the Public Contract Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. Seq.).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Mayor and Council hereby appoint Horizon Health, to provide professional employee assistance services to the Borough of Washington as more specifically outlined in their proposed agreement, dated July 22, 2005.
2. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with Horizon Health, Nashville, TN.
3. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as professional services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 in the amount not to exceed \$ 1,200.00.
4. The necessary funds are available in the 2005 Operating Budget – Medical Insurance.
5. Notification of the contract award shall be printed in the Star Gazette.
6. That an executed copy of the contract between the parties be on file with the Office of the Clerk and be available for public inspection in accordance with the law.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Van Deursen, Glaser, Turner, Housel and Buoye.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

Resolution #143-2005 – Green Acres Enabling Resolution

The following Resolution was moved by Glaser, seconded by Turner and adopted:

RESOLUTION #143-2005

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
GREEN ACRES
ENABLING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program (“State”) provides loans and/or grants to municipal and county governments and grants to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the acquisition and development of lands for outdoor recreation and conservation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Washington desires to further the public interest by obtaining a loan of \$283,200 from the State to fund the following project: Washington Borough Swimming Pool Renovation Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, the governing body resolves that Richard J. Sheola or the successor to the office of Borough Manager is hereby authorized to:

- (a) make application for such a loan and/or such a grant
 - (b) provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required
 - (c) act as the authorized correspondence of the above named applicant;
- and

WHEREAS, the State shall determine if the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the Green Acres Program, and notify the applicant of the amount of the funding award; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is willing to use the State’s funds in accordance with such rules, regulations and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the State for the above named project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey that:

1. That the Manager of the above municipality is hereby authorized to execute an agreement and any amendment thereto with the State known as project name Washington Borough Swimming Pool Renovation Project; and
2. That the applicant has its matching share of the project, if a match is required, in the amount of \$ 150,000.00.

3. That, in the event the State's funds are less than the total project cost specified above, the applicant has the balance of funding necessary to complete the project; and
4. The applicant agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations in its performance of the project.
5. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Housel, Buoye, Van Deursen, Glaser and Turner.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

Resolution #144-2005 – Refund Overpayment of 2005 Real Estate Taxes due to Property Assessment Change

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Housel that this Resolution tabled until the next meeting for verification of the figures in the resolution.

Roll Call: Housel, Woykowski, Buoye, Van Deursen, Turner and Glaser.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

Resolution #145 – 2005 – Accepting Performance Bond from Glen Manor Construction, LTC

The following Resolution was moved by Glaser, seconded by Turner and adopted:

RESOLUTION #145-2005

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PERFORMANCE BOND

WHEREAS, Glen Manor Construction, Ltd., secured major subdivision approval from the Planning Board of the Borough of Washington; and

WHEREAS, a condition of that approval is that the Mayor and Council adopt a Resolution of Approval and acceptance of the Performance Bond submitted by the developer; and

WHEREAS, Glen Manor Construction, LLC has transferred or is about to transfer ownership of the development to Barbieri Builders Corp. (“Barbieri”), which has submitted a performance bond in accordance with the Resolution of Approval; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Attorney has approved the form of the performance bond and the municipal engineer has approved the amount of the performance bond.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey, that they hereby approve and accept the performance bond from Westchester Fire Insurance Company, Bond No. K07133169, the original of which has been delivered to the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Housel, Van Deursen, Buoye, Glaser and Turner.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.

Motion carried.

Raffle Application – St. Joseph Church

An application for a raffle license was submitted from St. Joseph’s Church. The application was in order and fees paid.

It was therefore moved by Turner, seconded by Glaser that the Clerk be authorized to issue the raffle license to St. Joseph Church.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Housel, Buoye, Glaser and Turner – Ayes: 5, Nays: 0.
Abstained: Van Deursen.

Motion carried.

COUNCIL REMARKS:

Mayor Van Deursen polled Council for their remarks.

Councilwoman Glaser suggested that our bonds be reviewed and call some of them in and issue them at a lower rate of interest. The Manager will check with bond counsel on this.

Councilman Turner requested that the Manager convey to the department heads thanks and appreciation for their efforts from the governing body for their excellent reports.

Councilman Housel had no remarks.

Councilman Buoye had no remarks.

Councilwoman Woykowski was also very pleased with the departmental reports and would like to see the reports continue. This agenda packet prepared by the Manager was without flaw.

Mayor Van Deursen had no remarks but to convey her thanks as well to the departments for their very fine reports.

Executive Session

It was moved by Glaser, seconded by Turner that the Council go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

It was moved by Housel, seconded by Turner that the Council go back into open session at 11:30 PM.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

Hearing no further business to discuss before Council, it was moved by Buoye, seconded by Glaser that the meeting be adjourned at 11:30 PM.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

Marianne Van Deursen, Mayor

Linda L. Hendershot, RMC/CMC
Borough Clerk