

**BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
WASHINGTON BOROUGH COUNCIL MINUTES – February 3, 2009**

The Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of Washington, Warren County, New Jersey was held in the Council Chambers of Borough Hall at 7:30 P.M.

Roll Call: McDonald, Higgins, Woykowski, Boyle, Housel - Present
Cioni, Valentine – Absent

Also Present: Richard Cushing, Esq. Municipal Attorney
Kristine Blanchard, Acting Manager/RMC Borough Clerk

Mayor McDonald led everyone in the flag salute.

Mayor McDonald 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Higgins, seconded by Woykowski to enter executive session.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

RESOLUTION 47-2009

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act; *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.*, declares it to be the public policy of the State to insure the right of citizens to have adequate advance notice of and the right to attend meetings of public bodies at which business affecting the public is discussed or acted upon; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act also recognizes exceptions to the right of the public to attend portions of such meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council find it necessary to conduct an executive session closed to the public as permitted by the *N.J.S.A. 40:4-12*; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council will reconvene in public session at the conclusion of the executive session;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that they will conduct an executive session to discuss the following topic(s) as permitted by *N.J.S.A. 40:4-12*:

_____A matter which Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court requires be kept confidential or excluded from discussion in public (Provision relied upon: _____);

_____A matter where the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government;

_____A matter whose disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy;

_____A collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions thereof (Specify contract: _____);

_____A matter involving the purpose, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed;

_____Tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection;

_____Investigations of violations or possible violations of the law;

_____Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party; (The general nature of the litigation or contract negotiations is: OR the public disclosure of such information at this time would have a potentially negative impact on the municipality's position in the litigation or negotiation; therefore this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the potential for negative impact no longer exists.)

Matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his or her ethical duties as a lawyer; (The general nature of the matter is: Release of Information _____ OR _____ the public disclosure of such information at this time would have a potentially negative impact on the municipality's position with respect to the matter being discussed; therefore this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the potential for negative impact no longer exists.);

Matters involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective or current public officer or employee of the public body, where all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected have not requested

in writing that the matter(s) be discussed at a public meeting; (The employee(s) and/or general nature of discussion is: Personnel

OR _____ the public disclosure of such information at this time would violate the employee(s) privacy rights; therefore this information will be withheld until such time as the matter is concluded or the threat to privacy rights no longer exists.;

_____ Deliberation occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty or loss of a license or permit;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby declare that their discussion of the subject(s) identified above may be made public at a time when the Borough Attorney advises them that the disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the Borough or any other entity with respect to said discussion. That time is currently estimated to be: ___**SIX MONTHS** estimated length of time) OR upon the occurrence of _____

_____;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council, for the reasons set forth above, hereby declare that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place.

COUNCIL APPEARANCE

Rudy Bescherer – Zoning/Code Enforcement

Mr. Bescherer reported that through the course of his normal duties he processed zoning permits, received numerous calls regarding zoning. He also issues warnings when there are violations on local ordinances and issues summonses. In 2008, he received 296 complaints and did 207 investigations. He issued 414 warnings and issued 116 summonses. Additionally he received 30 complaints from various businesses on zoning issues. He reported that he received 119 zoning applications of which 24 were denied and referred to either the Planning Board or Board of Adjustment. He also issued 42 on street overnight parking permits. The community service workers worked throughout the community cutting grass, raking leaves, painting curbs, and shoveling snow. These workers performed 951 hours of community service.

Mayor McDonald thanked Mr. Bescherer for his continued service to the community.

MINUTES:

Mayor McDonald entertained additions or corrections to the minutes of the Special Meetings of December 29 and December 31, 2008. The Special Meeting of January 5, 2009. The Re-Organizational Meeting of January 6, 2009, and the Special Meetings of January 13 and January 22, 2009.

The clerk noted several comments from Council. It was moved by Higgins, seconded by Woykowski that the minutes be approved.

Roll Call: Woykowski, Higgins, McDonald, Boyle, Housel.
McDonald, Boyle – Abstain from December 29 and December 31, 2008.
Housel – Abstain from January 13, and January 22, 2009.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

There were no communications to be entered into the record.

AUDIENCE:

Mayor McDonald opened the audience portion of the meeting.

Rick Feldman 19 Prosper Way

Mr. Feldman stated that he is appearing before Council as a taxpayer, and a community volunteer with the Recreation Committee. He stated that as most of you are aware the Recreation Commission was abolished last year. Council declared that they would make changes to provide more activities to residents and hire a more professional staff, including a Recreation Director who would write grants. Council also stated that nothing would change and things would remain essentially the same. The Recreation Director never attended a meeting and grievances were not addressed with the Borough Manager. Standards were lowered for lifeguards and swim instructors. Mr. Feldman stated the new filtration system does not work properly. Mr. Feldman asked who will be responsible. As the Recreation Committee begins its 2nd year, we still have no liaison. Mayor McDonald asked Mr. Feldman to provide him with a list of his concerns so that he can address the issues as time goes on.

Councilman Housel noted that the previous manager's report indicated that the filtration system was fixed. The Borough Clerk will check on this and look into the performance bond of the company.

Motion made by Higgins, seconded by Woykowski to close the audience portion of the meeting.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

ORDINANCES:

None

REPORTS:

It was moved by Boyle, seconded by Higgins, to receive and file the following reports.

1. Zoning/Code Enforcement

Roll Call: Boyle, Higgins, Woykowski, McDonald, Housel.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Council Committees – Councilman Boyle will serve on the Redevelopment Committee, the Shared Services Committee, and will serve as the Recreation Liaison. Mayor McDonald will serve on the Shared Services Committee, Streets Committee, and Website Committee. Councilman Higgins will serve on the Finance Committee.

Redevelopment Committee: No Report

DPW Garage: No Report

Sewer Committee: No Report

Streets Committee: No Report

Finance Committee: No Report

Shared Services Committee: No Report

Senior Services: No Report

Website Committee: - No Report

Curfew Committee: No Report

Concession Stand Committee – No Report

Pedophile Ordinance Committee: No Report

BID: No Report

Recreation Report – No Report

Parking Lot Committee – No Report

Security Camera – No Report

VOUCHERS AND CLAIMS

Mayor McDonald entertained questions or additions to the vouchers and claims for payments that were not previously addressed before the meeting. Motion made by Housel, seconded by Higgins to pay the vouchers and claims in the amount of \$ 515, 476.91.

Roll Call: Housel, Higgins, Woykowski, Boyle, McDonald

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS:

Borough Sign Ordinance

Tabled to the next meeting

Abandoned Properties Ordinance

Tabled to the next meeting

NEW BUSINESS

Budget Meetings

Budget Meetings were set for the following dates: February 22 and February 28, 2009.

Letters to Professionals

Councilman Higgins suggested asking the Borough Professionals to keep rates the same as they were last year. Motion Made by Higgins, seconded by Woykowski.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Recreation Program Fees

This item was tabled for further feedback from the Recreation Committee.

Approval of Raffle Application for the Friends of the Blue Streaks Athletics

Motion made by Higgins, seconded by Housel to approve the raffle application.

Roll Call: Higgins, Housel, Woykowski, McDonald, and Boyle.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Approval of 50/50 Raffle St. Joseph's Church

Motion made by Higgins, seconded by Housel to approve the Raffle application for St. Joseph's Church.

Roll Call: Higgins, Housel, Boyle, Woykowski, McDonald

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Approval of Special ABC License for St. Joseph's Church

Motion made by Higgins, seconded by Housel to approve the Special ABC License for St. Joseph's Church.

Roll Call: Higgins, Housel, Boyle, Woykowski, McDonald

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Resolution 41-2009 Re-Appointing Tax Collector

Resolution 41-2009 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Woykowski and adopted.

RESOLUTION # 41- 2009

**OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, WARREN
COUNTY, NJ**

WHEREAS, Kay F. Stasyshan was appointed the Collector of Taxes of the Borough of Washington on 1 January 1999; and

WHEREAS, Kay Stasyshan was appointed to a consecutive term as Collector of Taxes of the Borough of Washington on 1 January 2004; and

WHEREAS, these appointments were not memorialized on 1 January 1999 nor on 1 January 2004 by resolution of the governing body as required by N.J.S.A. 40a:9-141, et. seq., and;

WHEREAS, the appointment on 1 January 2004 would constitute a tenure appointment.

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 on this date, does hereby confirm the previous appointments of Kay F. Stasyshan as Collector of Taxes of the Borough of Washington, Warren County with all terms, conditions, rights and privileges maintained as previously granted.

Roll Call: Housel, Woykowski, Boyle, Higgins, and McDonald

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Resolution 42-2009 Refund Overpayment of Sewer Service Charge

Resolution 42-2009 was moved on a motion made by Higgins, seconded by Woykowski and adopted.

RESOLUTION # 42 - 2009

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDING OF

AN OVERPAYMENT OF THE BOROUGH'S

SEWER SERVICE CHARGE

WHEREAS, according to the Treasurer's records, there is an overpayment showing on the following property; and

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>PROPERTY OWNER/ PROPERTY LOCATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT TO BE REFUNDED</u>
5/4	Unorski, John 123 North Prospect St.	\$ 45.00

The former owner made an overpayment during the closing procedures on the above property location. A refund of \$45.00 should be mailed to:

John Unorski
113 Trafalgar Lane
Cary, NC 27513

WHEREAS, the Borough Treasurer's office has received a written request that the above amount be refunded.

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 Borough Treasurer is

authorized to refund the above overpayment amount.

Roll Call: Higgins, Woykowski, Boyle, McDonald, Housel.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Resolution 43-2009 Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate

Resolution 43-2009 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Woykowski and adopted.

RESOLUTION # 43-2009

A RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE

As per N.J.S.A.54:5

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT, WHEREAS, lands in the taxing district of Washington Borough, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, were sold on December 4, 2008 to Arthur Frustaci, 1178 Fifth Avenue, Alpha, NJ 08865, in the amount of \$973.63 for taxes or other municipal liens assessed for the year 2007 in the name of Hummer, Glenn A, as supposed owners, and in said assessment and sale were described as 58 W Stewart Street, Block 14 Lot 11, which sale was evidenced by Certificate #08-00441; and

WHEREAS, I, Kay F. Stasyshan, the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of the Borough of Washington, do certify that on 01-22-09 and before the right to redeem was cut off, as provided by law, HomeEq Servicing Corporation claiming to have an interest in said lands, did redeem said lands claimed by Arthur Frustaci by paying the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of Washington Borough the amount of \$1,073.82, which is the amount necessary to redeem Tax Sale Certificate #08-00441.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 3rd day of February 2009 by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, County of Warren to authorize the Treasurer to issue a check payable to Arthur Frustaci, 1178 Fifth Avenue, Alpha, NJ 08865 in the amount of \$1,073.82.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 14 Lot 11 from the tax office records.

Roll Call: Housel, Woykowski, Higgins, Boyle, McDonald

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Resolution 44-2009 Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate

Resolution 44-2009 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Woykowski and adopted.

RESOLUTION # 44-2009

A RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE
As per N.J.S.A.54:5

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT, WHEREAS, lands in the taxing district of Washington Borough, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, were sold on December 4, 2008 to Park Finance LLC, PO Box 109, Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927, in the amount of \$536.03 for taxes or other municipal liens assessed for the year 2007 in the name of Carley, Linda S, as supposed owners, and in said assessment and sale were described as 97 N Lincoln Avenue, Block 16 Lot 11.01, which sale was evidenced by Certificate #08-00444; and

WHEREAS, I, Kay F. Stasyshan, the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of the Borough of Washington, do certify that on 1-16-09 and before the right to redeem was cut off, as provided by law, U.S. Department of Agriculture, claiming to have an interest in said lands, did redeem said lands claimed by Park Finance, LLC, by paying the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of Washington Borough the amount of \$574.56, which is the amount necessary to redeem Tax Sale Certificate #08-00444.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 3rd day of February, 2008 by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, County of Warren to authorize the Treasurer to issue a check payable to Park Finance, LLC, PO Box 109, Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927 in the amount of \$574.56.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 16 Lot 11.01 from the tax office records.

Roll Call: Housel, Woykowski, Higgins, Boyle, McDonald

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Motion Carried

Resolution 45-2009 Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate

Resolution 45-2009 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Woykowski and adopted.

RESOLUTION # 45-2009

A RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE
As per N.J.S.A.54:5

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT, WHEREAS, lands in the taxing district of Washington Borough, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, were sold on December 4, 2008 to CCTS Capital LLC, 1415 Route 70 East, Suite 504, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034, in the amount of \$603.26 for taxes or other municipal liens assessed for the year 2007 in the name of Piatt, Justin B and Lisa K, as supposed owners, and in said assessment and sale were described as 52 West Warren Street, Block 16.01 Lot 4, which sale was evidenced by Certificate #08-00445; and

WHEREAS, I, Kay F. Stasyshan, the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of the Borough of Washington, do certify that on 01-16-09 and before the right to redeem was cut off, as provided by law, U.S. Department of Agriculture, claiming to have an interest in said lands, did redeem said lands claimed by CCTS Capital LLC, by paying the Collector of Taxes of said taxing district of Washington Borough the amount of \$645.13, which is the amount necessary to redeem Tax Sale Certificate #08-00445.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 3rd day of February, 2009 by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington, County of Warren to authorize the Treasurer to issue a check payable to CCTS Capital LLC, 1415 Route 70 East, Suite 504, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 in the amount of \$645.13.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel this lien on Block 16.01 Lot 4 from the tax office records.

Roll Call: Housel, Woykowski, Higgins, Boyle, McDonald

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Resolution 46-2009 Introduction of BID Budget 2009

Resolution 46-2009 was moved by Higgins, seconded by McDonald for discussion purposes.

RESOLUTION #46 - 2009

INTRODUCING AND APPROVING THE BUDGET OF

THE WASHINGTON BOROUGH BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Borough of Washington on June 4, 2003 adopted Ordinance 7-2003 creating the Washington Borough Special Improvement District; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of Borough of Washington designated the Washington Borough Business Improvement District Management Corporation as the District Management Corporation for the Special Improvement District; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Borough Business Improvement District Management Corporation Board of Directors have approved a 2009 Business Improvement District Budget for submittal to Borough Manager for submission to the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Washington for their consideration; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:56-80 and N.J.S.A. 40:56-84, the governing body of Borough of Washington is required to approve the budget and fix the time and place for the holding of public hearing upon the budget; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of Washington Borough has determined that at least ten days prior to the hearing a complete copy of the proposed budgets shall be: (a) posted on the bulletin

board in the Borough Municipal Building; (b) made available to each person requesting the same before and during the public hearing; (c) a copy of the budget shall be advertised along with the date, time and place of the hearing in a newspaper published in the county and circulating in the municipality at least 10 days prior to the hearing; and (d) the hearing shall be held not less than 28 days after the approval of the budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the governing body of the Borough of Washington that:

- 1) The Washington Borough Business Improvement District budget is hereby introduced and approved by the governing body of the Borough of Washington for the period of January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009 in the amount of \$254,357.
- 2) The hearing on the Washington Borough Business Improvement District Budget shall be Tuesday, March 3, 2009;
- 3) A special assessment in the amount of **\$200,000** will be imposed and will be collected with either the regular tax payment (or payment in lieu of taxes), or otherwise, on properties located within the Borough of Washington as set forth within Ordinance 7-2003 as amended from time to time and the assessment proposed will be determined by the Borough Assessor;
- 4) Payments received by the Borough of Washington for the District will be transferred to the Washington Borough Business Improvement District Management Corporation to be expended in accordance with the approved budget;
- 5) The Borough Clerk will be authorized to forward a certified copy of the adopting resolution to Washington Borough Business Improvement District Management Corporation, the Warren County Board of Taxation, and the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs after the public hearing and adoption by a majority vote of the full membership of the governing body.

Councilman Housel stated he wants to see a five year plan from the BID and has also requested a professional business plan. Bid Director Sandy Cerami stated that the professional business plan is in the process of being developed by the marketing group hired by the BID. The report is forthcoming. Ms. Cerami stated that she will be prepared to present the annual report and the five year plan will be presented to Council at the next meeting.

Roll Call: Higgins, McDonald, Woykowski, Boyle – Yes
Housel – No

Ayes: 4, Nays: 1
Motion Carried

Resolution 48-2009 Interlocal Agreement for Snow Plowing

Resolution 48-2009 was moved on a motion made by Higgins, seconded by Housel and adopted.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION
OF AN INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON
FOR SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Borough of Washington wishes to use municipal equipment and manpower for certain snow removal services on Board of Education property for the year 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Borough can provide snow removal services to the Board of Education through a Shared Services Agreement without adversely affecting the quality of that same service as currently provided within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the sharing of snow removal services benefits both the Borough and the Board of Education by increasing the efficiency of snow removal and decreasing the costs; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement is authorized under *N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1, et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Interlocal Service Agreement has been reviewed by the governing body and is attached to this resolution.

WHEREAS, the Agreement shall be known as the WASHINGTON BOROUGH-WASHINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION SNOW REMOVAL INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT;

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

The WASHINGTON BOROUGH-WASHINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION SNOW REMOVAL INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT, in the form attached to this resolution, is hereby approved, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Borough of Washington.

Roll Call: Higgins, Housel, Woykowski, McDonald – Yes
Boyle – No

Ayes: 4, Nays: 1
Motion Carried

Resolution 49-2009 Appointing Kristine Blanchard as Acting Borough Manager

Resolution 49-2009 was moved on a motion made by Housel, seconded by Higgins and adopted.

RESOLUTION # 49-2009

RESOLUTION APPOINTING KRISTINE BLANCHARD AS ACTING MANAGER

WHEREAS, John Corica, the Manager for the Borough of Washington (“Borough”), is retiring effective February 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is in the process of interviewing candidates for the Manager position; and

WHEREAS, there will be a period of time between February 1, 2009 and when the new Manager is appointed; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that the Borough have an Acting Manager until a new Manager is appointed; and

WHEREAS, Kristine Blanchard, the Municipal Clerk, is extremely competent and capable and has the abilities and qualifications to fulfill the duties as Acting Manager; and

WHEREAS, Kristine Blanchard has filled the position of Acting Manager in the past; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-19B of the Code of the Borough of Washington provides that the Manager may delegate to a qualified employee of the municipality the authority to perform his duties during his temporary absence or disability; and

WHEREAS, the retirement of the Manager does not meet the criteria of a temporary absence or disability so that the outgoing Manager does not have the authority to make this appointment; and

WHEREAS, the outgoing Manager has, in fact, recommended that Kristine Blanchard be appointed the Acting Manager based on her skills, experience, and qualifications; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Washington to appoint Kristine Blanchard as the Acting Manager until such time as the Borough appoints a new Manager or makes alternate arrangements for the position of Acting Manager.

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

1. Effective February 1, 2009, Kristine Blanchard is appointed as the Acting Borough Manager until such time as a new Manager is appointed or until such time as the Mayor and Council make other arrangements with respect to an Acting Manager.

2. Effective February 1, 2009, and during such period as Kristine Blanchard shall hold the position of Acting Manager, pursuant to the terms of this Resolution, her yearly salary will be \$35,000.00.

Roll Call: Housel, Higgins, Woykowski, Boyle, McDonald

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0

Motion Carried

Resolution 50-2009 Naming Michael R. Schmidt Memorial Avenue

Resolution 50-2009 was moved on a motion made by Woykowski, seconded by Higgins and adopted.

RESOLUTION #50-2009

A Resolution to rename Belvidere Avenue between Church Street and Washington Avenue to: BELVIDERE AVE - MICHAEL R. SCHMIDT MEMORIAL AVENUE

WHEREAS Michael R. Schmidt has made a major and lasting impact on the development of Washington Borough Business Improvement District through volunteering his time and efforts on the original revitalization committee in 1997 and service as a Director and Officer of the Washington Business Improvement District from 2003 to 2008.

WHEREAS Michael R. Schmidt passed away on June 19, 2008

WHEREAS the Washington Business Improvement District has asked the Washington Borough Council to name the block/street of Belvidere Avenue between Washington Avenue and Church Street, "Belvidere Avenue – Michael R. Schmidt Memorial Avenue."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Borough of Washington declares its support for Resolution to rename Belvidere Avenue between Washington Avenue and Church Street, "Belvidere Avenue – Michael R. Schmidt Memorial Avenue."

Roll Call: Woykowski, Higgins, Boyle, Housel, McDonald

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0

Motion Carried

COUNCIL REMARKS

Councilman Higgins inquired as to whether or not the Fire Department would need to pay for the renovations to the building out of their own funds. Mayor McDonald stated no however he would like to see them increase fund raising efforts. He also requested the Zoning Officer discuss parking on the sidewalk with a downtown business.

Councilwoman Woykowski requested workshop meeting dates be discussed at the next council meeting.

Councilman Boyle stated he would like to see the Board of Adjustment and the Planning Board be combined boards and inquired as to how that would be done. Attorney Cushing stated it would be done by Ordinance.

Hearing no further business to come before Council, it was moved by Higgins, seconded by Housel that the meeting be adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0.
Motion carried.

Mayor Scott McDonald

Kristine Blanchard, RMC Borough Clerk