

**JULY 1, 2010, GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF MT. EPHRAIM**

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Wolk called the meeting to order at 8:07pm.

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

All present pledged their allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

**ABSENT**

Commissioner Gilmore	_____X_____	_____
Commissioner Greenwald	_____X_____	_____
Mayor Wolk	_____X_____	_____

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT**

- Borough Solicitor – Joe Marrasso
- Borough Engineers – Doug Akin & Joe Federici
- Police Chief – Ed Dobleman
- Borough Clerk – Terry Shannon
- Tax Collector/Dep. Clerk – Marie Darlington
- Borough Consultant—Rich Schwab

**“OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW” ANNOUNCEMENT**

This Meeting has been advertised and notices posted in accordance with the “Open Public Meetings Act.”

**PROCLAMATIONS**

Supporting the “Over the Limit, Under Arrest” 2010 Statewide Crackdown

Mayor Wolk asked the Clerk to read the proclamation into the record.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

1. May 22, 2010, Caucus Meeting
2. June 3, 2010, General Meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Greenwald and seconded by Commissioner Gilmore to approve the aforementioned minutes. All were in favor.

**VOUCHER APPROVAL**

Vouchers were submitted and the Bill List total of \$508,165.78 was submitted for approval. On a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, second by Commissioner Gilmore, the Bill List was approved with the following poll vote: Gilmore-yes; Greenwald-yes, Wolk-yes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:**

Ord. 09-10 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank

Mayor Wolk opened the public hearing on this ordinance.

Seeing no public comment, on a motion by Commissioners Greenwald and Gilmore, the public hearing was closed.

On a motion by Commissioners Greenwald and Gilmore, the ordinance was adopted with the following poll vote: Gilmore-yes; Greenwald-yes, Wolk-yes.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES** Mayor Wolk read the following ordinances.

Ord. 10-10 Amending Chapter 6, Copies of Documents, Fees, in the Borough Code

Ord. 11-10 Designating Salaries of Officers and Employees of the Borough of Mount Ephraim

Ord. 12-10 Designating Salaries of Certain Employees of the Borough of Mount Ephraim Covered by Agreements

On a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, second by Commissioner Gilmore, the ordinances were approved on first reading with the following poll vote: Gilmore-yes; Greenwald-yes; Wolk-yes.

Mayor Wolk explained that this was first reading and second reading and public comment will be at next month's meeting.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

The Clerk announced that the following resolutions would be approved as a Consent Agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. 53-10 Accepting the 2009 Audit

RESOLUTION NO. 54-10 Approving a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Oaklyn for Municipal Court Services

- RESOLUTION NO. 55-10      Authorizing Request for Proposals for Traffic Safety Camera Program
- RESOLUTION NO. 56-10      Authorizing Execution of Release Agreement with the EJIF Relative to Soil Remediation at the Bell Road Firehouse Location
- RESOLUTION NO. 57-10      Renewal of 2010-2011 Liquor Licenses
- RESOLUTION NO. 58-10      Awarding a Contract for Asbestos Removal at the 205 James Street Location
- RESOLUTION NO. 59.10      Authorizing Right of Way Agreement with Fiber Technologies Networks, LLC
- RESOLUTION NO. 60-10      Authorizing the Budget to be Read by Title Only at Time of Public Hearing

On a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, second by Commissioner Gilmore, the consent agenda was approved with the following poll vote: Gilmore-yes; Greenwald-yes; Wolk-yes.

On a motion by Commissioners Greenwald and Gilmore, the resolution was approved with the following poll vote: Gilmore-yes; Greenwald-yes; Wolk-yes.

Following approval of the resolutions, Emergency Management Coordinator Jason Vilaro and Deputy Ken Robertson were administered the oath of office by Commissioner Gilmore.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2010 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

Mayor Wolk opened the public hearing on the 2010 Municipal Budget. He added that the CFO and the Auditor are both present to answer any questions. Mayor Wolk also explained that the Budget has not yet been approved by the State and we cannot adopt until we receive approval. There is a slight tax increase, 7.8 cents, which is about \$72 per year on the average assessment.

Seeing no public comment, on a motion by Commissioners Greenwald and Gilmore, the public hearing was closed with all in favor.

**MERCANTILE LICENSE APPLICATIONS / RENEWALS**

Mayor Wolk read the following into the record:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Bert's Autobody	703-707 Market Street

Spread Eagle Inn  
Sozzi Upholstering

316 West Kings Highway  
410 West Kings Highway

On a motion by Commissioners Greenwald and Gilmore, the licenses were approved with the following poll vote: Gilmore-yes; Greenwald-yes; Wolk-yes.

### **BINGO/RAFFLE LICENSES**

Approving Bingo License B-353 for Holy Name Society of Emmaus Catholic Community (former Sacred Heart Church)

On a motion by Commissioner Gilmore, second by Commissioner Greenwald, the bingo license was approved with all in favor.

### **REPORTS:**

Commissioner Gilmore read highlights from the Police Department monthly report for June. He reported that the fire department is in the midst of moving their operation over to Lambert in preparation for the Bell Road firehouse to come down so he does not have their monthly report at this time and he will read it next month. He reported that a long time resident, Charles E. Jones, was very active in Emergency Management, passed away on June 22 and our condolences go out to his family. On behalf of himself and his wife he wished all the residents a happy and safe July 4 holiday.

Commissioner Greenwald read the highlights from the Public Works report for the month of June and reported that single stream recycling was almost 100,000 pounds and is increasing every month and saves the town money. There were no safety violations or injuries for the month. He attended a CDBG meeting and learned there is some federal assistance available to those who are in danger of losing their homes under the UOSS and gave out a toll free number of 1-800-331-7272 to anyone who needs help. Lastly, we got a letter from Senator James Beach and Donald Norcross regarding Vote by Mail campaign. They are pushing the Vote by Mail campaign to increase voter turnout and he will include an article in the next Messenger. He added that he and his wife also wish everyone a safe and happy July 4 holiday.

Commissioner Gilmore added that he wanted to thank all the emergency response departments for their help with the storm that hit the town about a week ago. Thanks to DPW, the police and fire departments for all the work they did cleaning up after the storm.

Joe Federici, Borough Engineer, reported that the Streetscape Project Phase II is substantially complete except for the punchlist items, trash receptacles, benches and trees. DOT Local Aid project, Delaware Avenue, the plans are complete and are at the State for approval then we can go out to bid. The project will be done this summer. Also we received notice from the NJDOT that they are receiving grant applications for 2011 projects and his office will be working on the applications.

Mayor Wolk read highlights and receipt totals from the Tax Collector report for May. He wished everyone a safe and happy July 4 and looks forward to the parade. He also wanted to thank all departments for their help with the clean-up after the storm. He even saw Commissioner Gilmore directing traffic. He added that he cannot commend the employees enough, including the police and public works unions and administrative staff for their help with this very difficult budget and for concessions. We could not have done it without their help. He also thanked the professionals for their work on the budget.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mayor Wolk opened the meeting to the public and asked that residents state their name and address for the record.

Seeing no public comment, on a motion by Commissioners Greenwald and Gilmore, the public portion was closed.

On a motion by Commissioners Greenwald and Gilmore, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Shannon  
Borough Clerk