

FEBRUARY 3, 2011, GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF MT. EPHRAIM

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wolk called the meeting to order at 8:02pm.

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 – Eric Riso
Borough Engineers – Doug Akin & Joe Federici
Borough Clerk – Terry Shannon
Tax Collector/Dep. Clerk – Marie Darlington

“OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW” ANNOUNCEMENT

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

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Wolk read a proclamation recognizing all the present and past members of the Mt. Ephraim Celebrations Committee for all the events in town that they run such as the Annual Craft Fair and Car Show, the July 4th Festivities, Halloween Parades, Lunch with Santa, Town-wide Yard Sales, Holiday House Decorating Contests and Toys for Tots. Without their hard work and dedication, these events would not be possible and they contribute greatly to the quality of life in our town. Recognized were Karen Herman, Janet Greenwald, Joanne Naphys, Laura Oehlert, Deena Noonan, Lil Eggers and Bernice Alibrando.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

1. December 28, 2010, Caucus Meeting
2. January 6, 2011, 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

Mayor Wolk read the voucher list total for the month is \$352,541.69. On a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, seconded by Commissioner Gilmore, the bill list was approved with the following poll vote: Gilmore-yes; Greenwald-yes; Wolk-yes.

PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

01-11 Amending Chapter 79, Sewers, in the Code of the Borough of Mount Ephraim (*raises sewer rates*)

02-11 Amending Chapter 68 of the Code of the Borough of Mount Ephraim Entitled Mercantile Licensing

03-11 Amending Chapter 29 of the Code of the Borough of Mount Ephraim Entitled Alcoholic Beverages

Mayor Wolk opened the public hearing on these ordinances. Seeing no public comment, on a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, seconded by Commissioner Gilmore, the public hearing was closed.

On a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, seconded by Commissioner Gilmore, the ordinances were adopted with the following poll vote: Gilmore-yes; Greenwald-yes; Wolk-yes. The ordinances are adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

The Clerk read the following ordinances for introduction by title:

05-11 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank

06-11 Designating the 2011 Salaries for Employees Covered by Bargaining Agreements

On a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, seconded by Commissioner Gilmore, the introduction of the ordinances was approved with the following poll vote: Gilmore-yes; Greenwald-yes; Wolk-yes. Mayor Wolk announced that these ordinances would be considered for adoption following a public hearing at the March 3 regular meeting.

RESOLUTIONS:

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

- RESOLUTION 06-11 Approving a Shared Service Agreement with Bellmawr for paving services
- RESOLUTION 07-11 Approving a Shared Service Agreement with Bellmawr for sewer services
- RESOLUTION 08-11 Approving a Shared Service Agreement with Bellmawr for Ambulance maintenance services
- RESOLUTION 09-11 Awarding a contract to TTI for environmental services
- RESOLUTION 10-11 Awarding a Contract to HA DeHart for the purchase of a trash truck through the shared service agreement with Bellmawr.
- RESOLUTION 11-11 Authorizing Transfer of 2010 Appropriation Reserves
- RESOLUTION 12-11 Awarding a Contract for Animal Shelter Services
- RESOLUTION 13-11 Approving Change Order No. 1-Final, Streetscape Improvements to Kings Highway, Phase II

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.

APPROVAL OF MERCANTILE LICENSES:

The Clerk read the following mercantile license applicants by name for approval:

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| 7-Eleven (10923) | 521 W. Kings Highway |
| Auto Zone #3289 | 221 S. Black Horse Pike |
| Bellmawr Auto & Tire Center | 403 S. Black Horse Pike |
| Bert's Autobody | 703-707 Market Street |
| Budget Inn & Suite | 310 N. Black Horse Pike |
| Carollo's Restaurant | 1 N. Black Horse Pike |
| Computer Services Bureau, Inc. | 217 N. Black Horse Pike |
| CVS Pharmacy #477 | 24 S. Black Horse Pike |
| F M Digital Services Corp. | 159 S. Black Horse Pike |
| Fafa Services, LLC | 159-C S. Black Horse Pike |
| Grease 'N' Go (MJM Lubrication) | 237 S. Black Horse Pike |

MCA Travel Agency, Inc.	115 N. Black Horse Pike
Mt. Ephraim Exxon (Anupuneet, Inc.)	403 S. Black Horse Pike
Nazar, Inc. (Black Horse Diner)	152 N. Black Horse Pike
P.C. Construction & Management, Inc.	505 W. Kings Highway
Pete's Pizza	604 W. Kings Highway
S.A. Conte, Inc.	605 N. Black Horse Pike
South Jersey Aikido Academy, Inc.	61 W. Kings Highway
United Refrigeration, Inc.	301 N. Black Horse Pike

On a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, second by Commissioner Gilmore, the mercantile licenses were approved with all in favor.

REPORTS:

Commissioner Gilmore read highlights from the Police Department and Fire Department monthly reports for January. He extended get well wishes to Officer Bill Errigo who was hurt on the job. He thanked the Fire Department for manning the station for 24 hours during the storm. Commissioner Gilmore extended kudos to DPW for the great job they did plowing and reminded residents that sidewalks are to be cleared 24 hours following a storm and not to throw the snow into the roadway. He also congratulated and thanked the Celebrations Committee and wished the Clerk a happy birthday.

Commissioner Greenwald read the highlights from the Construction Department monthly report. He reported that single stream recycling for the prior month was 85,000 pounds and highlighted the activities of the Public Works department including plowing and salting and cleaning of the 2nd Avenue pump station. He reported that DPW was looking into the possibility of retrofitting a truck with a brine tank that could be utilized by other communities as well as a shared service. He thanked DPW for a job well done plowing following the storm. Commissioner Greenwald also reported that we were awarded a DOT grant in the amount of \$200,000 for Hartka Avenue. He congratulated and thanked the Celebrations Committee and wished the Clerk a happy birthday.

Engineer Joe Federici reported that the Hartka Avenue project will be done this summer. The sewer repairs on Linden Avenue will be completed as soon as the weather breaks. They are preparing a list of planned projects for PSE&G. He added that the engineer also wishes the Clerk a happy birthday.

Mayor Wolk read the receipt totals from the Tax Collector report for the month of December. He also commended Public Works for the job they did clearing the snow during the storm. He heard good things from the residents. He thanked the Celebrations Committee for all the events they run—words cannot express the gratitude of the community. We are working on the budget and it is a very difficult task but all the departments are doing their very best. Our next meeting will be the workshop on February 22 and the regular meeting on March 3. He closed by also wishing the Clerk a happy birthday.

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, meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Shannon
Borough Clerk