

**OCTOBER 3, 2013, GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF MT. EPHRAIM**

MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wolk called the meeting to order at 8:05pm.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

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

ROLL CALL

The Clerk called the roll with Commissioner Gilmore, Commissioner Greenwald and Mayor Wolk all present.

OTHER OFFICIALS ON THE DAIS

Borough Solicitor – Eric Riso
Borough Engineers –Doug Akin
Borough Clerk – Terry Shannon

“OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW” ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Wolk announced that “This meeting has been advertised and notices posted in accordance with the “Open Public Meetings Act.”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Mayor Wolk asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the September 5, 2013, commission meeting and the July 23, 2013, caucus meeting. On a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, seconded by Commissioner Gilmore, the minutes were approved with all in favor.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Mayor Wolk announced that vouchers in the total amount of \$561,845.13 were submitted for approval. 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 ON ORDINANCES BEING CONSIDERED FOR ADOPTION

Mayor Wolk read the following ordinance for public hearing and adoption: Ordinance 07-13, Amending, Supplementing and Revising Chapter 8 in the Borough Code Entitled “Drug Free School Zones”. Mayor Wolk then opened the public hearing. Seeing no comments from the public, on a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, second by Commissioner Gilmore, the public hearing was closed. On a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, seconded by Commissioner Gilmore, the ordinance was adopted with the following poll vote: Gilmore-yes; Greenwald-yes; Wolk-yes.

RESOLUTIONS

Mayor Wolk announced that the resolutions would be approved as a Consent Agenda and asked the Clerk to read the resolutions as follows:

- 69-13 Awarding a Contract to Bogey’s Trucking and Paving for the Roosevelt Avenue Resurfacing Project

- 70-13 Setting the Hours/Dates for Halloween Curfew and Trick or Treating

71-13 Resolution Approving Right-of-Access Agreement with Phillips 66 Company to Permit Access to the Public Right-of-Way Located on Mount Ephraim Avenue near its Intersection with Route 168

72-13 Resolution Establishing Elected Officials Training Requirements

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

The Clerk then added that a motion is being added to the agenda authorizing Paul Carpenter Associates, who is a contractor for the NJDOT, to install noise monitors at three locations in the Borough contingent upon execution of a hold harmless agreement and providing an insurance certificate. On a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, seconded by Commissioner Gilmore, the motion was approved with all in favor.

REPORTS

Commissioner Gilmore read highlights from the Police Department monthly report for September, 2013. Total calls were 396 and they assigned 249 case numbers. Some of the highlights included, 14 alarms, 41 ambulance assists, ten animal complaints, four assaults, two burglaries, six domestic violence offenses, nine drug offenses, 12 motor vehicle accidents, six shoplifting, 18 suspicious vehicles. There were 28 adult arrests and he read some of the offenses. They issued 190 motor vehicle summonses. He then read highlights from the September report from the Mount Ephraim Fire Department. They had 21 calls for service. Total man hours was 68.68 hours. With the drills total man hours were 104.08. They will be attending the schools on October 7 for fire prevention program. October 12 is the hoagie sale and they are splitting the proceeds with the Audubon Girls Hockey team. Saturday the 19th is the Heroes to Heroes 5K. On the 24th they are going to Lakeland for the burn building training.

Commissioner Greenwald reported that the construction report for September showed 21 permits for total fees of \$2,690.00. Public Works reports that single stream recycling was over 77,000 pounds. They answered six sewer calls, put up the fall banners, did patchwork on Sartori and Kings Highway and also Remington and Kings Highway in conjunction with the Camden County Highway Department. They also replaced the manhole at Kings Highway and Linden. They resurfaced parts of Linden and Lincoln as part of a shared service with Bellmawr; replaced a water leak at the roundhouse. By next spring all the plumbing work at the roundhouse should be done in time for baseball. Roof at borough garage was repaired. In August we began collecting Runnemede's trash as part of a shared service with Bellmawr and it is working well. We received two Open Space grants from Camden County. The end of the month is Halloween and there will be a parade. You can get the details from the website.

Engineer Doug Akin reported that the bid opening for the NJDOT Local Aid project on Roosevelt Avenue was held and the winner was Bogey. NJDOT Local Aid 2014 applications were submitted for Second and Garfield Avenues. Regarding Taco Bell, they installed the sewer main and we will be testing. They are presently under construction for the building.

Mayor Wolk read the receipt totals from the Tax Collector report for the month of August, 2013. He read the details of receipts and reported that total receipts were \$1,914,169.63. He added that we have Halloween coming up and curfew will be 9pm and trick or treating will be 3pm-8pm. Between now and the next meeting we will hold two elections at MEPRI Hall-one in

October and another in November. Our next meeting will be October 22 for the workshop and November 7 for the general meeting.

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 Commissioner Greenwald, second by Commissioner Gilmore, the public portion was closed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Shannon

Borough Clerk