OCTOBER 6, 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	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Commissioner Gilmore	<u>x</u>	
Commissioner Greenwald	X	
Mayor Wolk	X	

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT

Borough Solicitor – Eric Riso Borough Engineers – absent Borough Clerk – Terry Shannon Tax Collector/Dep. Clerk – Marie Darlington Police Chief—Ed Dobleman

"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 thanking resident Ms. Ella Stevens, resident of the West Center, for her generous donation of the September 11 commemorative flag which hangs in the hallway. We extend our appreciation and gratitude to Ella Stevens.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS</u>

- 1. August 23, 2011, Caucus Meeting
- 2. September 1, 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 \$1,431,421.58. 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:

Mayor Wolk read the following ordinances by title for public hearing and adoption:

Ord. 14-11, Amending Section 99-26, Signs, in the Borough Code and Ord. 15-11, Repealing Chapter 66, and Chapter 66b-1(I) of the Borough Code.

On a motion by Commissioners Greenwald and Gilmore, the second reading was approved. Mayor Wolk then opened the public hearing. Seeing no public comment, on a motion by Commissioners Greenwald and Gilmore, the public hearing was closed with all in favor.

On a motion by Commissioners Greenwald and Gilmore, the ordinances were adopted with the following poll vote: Gilmore-yes; Greenwald-yes; Wolk-yes. The ordinances were duly adopted.

The Clerk then announced that Ord. 12-11, Amending Chapter 99, Zoning, is tabled and no further action will be taken on this ordinance.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Wolk read the following ordinance for introduction by title:

Ord. 16-11, Amending Chapter 99, Zoning, Article VIII, Fees, in the Borough Code.

On a motion by Commissioner Greenwald, seconded by Commissioner Gilmore, the introduction of the ordinance 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 November 3 regular meeting.

RESOLUTIONS:

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

RESOLUTION 86-11 To Adopt the Year 33 CDBG Grant Agreement

RESOLUTION 87-11 Capital Ordinance Transfers and Cancellations

RESOLUTION 88-11 Appropriating an Item of Revenue and Expense for DDEF Grant Funds Received

RESOLUTION 89-11 Setting Halloween Curfew and Trick or Treating Hours

RESOLUTION 90-11 Awarding a Contract to Phone America for Purchase of a Phone

System

RESOLUTION 91-11 Authorizing Execution of the Certificate of Substantial Completion

Relative to the Bell Road Firehouse Project

RESOLUTION 92-11 Emergency Appropriation for Sanitary Sewer Repairs Due to

Hurricane Irene

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.

BINGO/RAFFLE LICENSES:

None at this time.

REPORTS:

Commissioner Gilmore welcomed the Mt. Ephraim Fire Department into their new headquarters and wished them well in the years ahead. He then read highlights from the Fire Department monthly report for September and year-to-date. Commissioner Gilmore then read highlights from the Police Department monthly report for September. They had 28 adult arrests for September and issued 250 motor vehicle summonses. He then read a letter from the Mayor of Brooklawn thanking the police department for their assistance on September 11 with traffic control and town patrols during their celebration events. Specifically he thanked Chief Dobleman and Sgt. Errigo for their assistance in planning for the day and thanked the department for their help. He closed by thanking Boy Scout Troop 22 for the work they did cleaning up debris along the railroad tracks and making the area a nice place to look at again. We will recognize them at a future meeting.

Commissioner Greenwald read the highlights from the Construction Department monthly report. Again this month there were no accidents or injuries in DPW. He reported that single stream recycling for the prior month was 73,520 pounds. DPW have been maintaining vacant properties in town and responded to five sewer calls. They repaired concrete curbs on Green Avenue and made necessary repairs at Borough Hall per the fire marshal inspection. They repaired snow equipment and purchased salt in preparation for the winter. He read more highlights from the DPW monthly report. The new trash truck purchased with Bellmawr is being painted and should be ready before the month is over. He also commented about the great job done by the Boy Scouts and added that they have an awards night this coming Saturday night in Audubon which he plans to attend.

Mayor Wolk read the receipt totals from the Tax Collector report for the month of August, 2011. Total receipts were \$2,736,602.50. He also thanked the Scouts for their

work along the railroad. It was sorely needed and is much appreciated. Next meeting will be October 25 for our workshop.

Mayor Wolk then opened the meeting to public comment.

Seeing no public comment, Mayor Wolk asked for a motion to close the public portion. 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 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted, Terry Sharmon, Borough Clerk