

BOROUGH OF NETCONG

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG HELD DECEMBER 29, 2018 AT THE NETCONG MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 23 MAPLE AVENUE, NETCONG, NEW JERSEY COMMENCING AT 12:00PM.

Mayor Nametko called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

STATEMENT OF OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The Deputy Borough Clerk read the following statement:

Adequate notice of this meeting as defined by the Open Public Meetings Act has been provided by:

1. Posting a notice of said meeting in the space provided for such announcements at the Borough Hall on December 20, 2018.
2. Publishing a notice in the Daily Record on December 27, 2018.

ROLL CALL

Those in attendance this evening were Councilman Albensi, Councilman Hathaway, Councilman Koster, Councilman Laureys, Councilman Still, Councilman Sylvester and Mayor Nametko. Also, present was Mr. Blakeslee, Borough Administrator.

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION

The Mayor read the following proclamation in honor of Terry Vervaet.

PROCLAMATION HONORING THERESA A. VERVAET FOR HER MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG AND THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE

Whereas, Theresa (Terry) A. Vervaet has been a resident of the Borough of Netcong since 1998; and,

Whereas, Terry has been an integral and dedicated member of the community volunteering her time, knowledge and skills to the Borough; and,

Whereas, Terry specifically has served the Borough as a member of the Borough Recreation Commission since August 2002, coordinating the Commission's Concerts in the Park, a summer event that has grown in popularity over the years and the town-wide garage sale event, as well as assisting with the Netcong Day 5K run; and,

Whereas, Terry also served as the Borough's Netcong Municipal Drug Alliance Coordinator, since 2010, responsible for assuring the implementation of the Alliance's programs, such as Project Graduation, dances and concerts that promoted substance free living to the community's youth; and,

Whereas, Terry, since her appointment in 2005, continues to serve as a Planning Board member, and has guided the Board as its Chair since 2013; and,

Whereas, Terry has had a long career in local government in various positions and with several municipalities, and continues to serve the residents of the state with professionalism, efficiency and effectiveness; and,

Whereas, Terry also belongs to a number of local government professional associations, holding key positions with several groups; and,

Whereas, it is right that dedicated public servants of Terry's caliber are recognized for their professional and volunteer work and that such recognition is noted in the Borough's permanent records.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough Netcong in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that Theresa (Terry) A. Vervaet be recognized for her outstanding service to the community for her past and continuing service to the residents of the Borough and the State of New Jersey.

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

Mrs. Rose Polo stepped forward to obtain a response to her attorney's letter. She inquired about a pending parking ordinance. The Mayor and Councilman Hathaway explained there will most likely be a discussion at January 10th meeting. The meeting would be announced via the newspapers beforehand. Mr. Blakeslee noted that her attorney would receive a response before the meeting.

A Motion to Close the Meeting to the Public was made by Councilman Sylvester and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.
Roll Call: 6 Yes.

ORDINANCE ADOPTIONS

1. Ordinance 2018-14 - Authorizing and Approving a Financial Agreement Between the Borough of Netcong and BNK Street Urban Renewal, LLC for Property Known as Block 16.01, Lots 24 and 25.01 Pursuant to the Long Term Tax Exemption Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:20-1 et seq.)

A Motion to Read Ordinance 2018-14 by Title Only on Second Reading and a Hearing Held Thereon was made by Councilman Hathaway and seconded by Councilman Still.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

A Motion to Close Public Hearing was made by Councilman Hathaway and seconded by Councilman Still.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

Councilman Laureys explained his decision to vote “no.”

A Motion to Adopt Ordinance #2018-14 was made by Councilman Hathaway and seconded by Councilman Still.

Roll Call: 5 Yes No: Councilman Laureys

OLD BUSINESS

1. Authorization for Planner Paul Phillips to Prepare Amendment to the Pocketbook Factory Redevelopment Plan

Councilman Laureys expressed his concern about interpretation of building height. The Mayor explained that this was addressed in the Amendment.

A Motion was made by Councilman Albensi and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.

Roll Call: 5 Yes No: Councilman Laureys

RESOLUTIONS

1. **Resolution 2018 –123** - Resolution Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87.

A motion was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway to approve this resolution.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

2. **Resolution 2018 –124** – Resolution Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87.

A motion was made by councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway to approve this resolution.
Roll Call: 6 Yes

3. **Resolution 2018 – 125** - Resolution Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87.

A motion was made by councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway to approve this resolution.
Roll Call: 6 Yes

4. **Resolution 2018 – 126** - Authorizing the Award of a Professional Services Contract to Richard C. Kreppel, P.E. of Genesis Engineering, LLC for Professional Engineering Services Related to an Analysis of Bay Alterations at Netcong Fire House No. 1.

A motion was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway to approve this resolution.
Roll Call: 5 Yes Abstain: Councilman Koster

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A Motion to Close the Meeting to the Public was made by Councilman Hathaway and seconded by Councilman Still.
Roll Call: 6 Yes

CLOSED SESSION


There was no closed session during this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mayor thanked the Council for all of their efforts to improve the Borough of Netcong.

A Motion to Adjourn the Meeting was made by Councilman Still, seconded by Councilman Hathaway and moved by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted


Cynthia Eckert, Borough Clerk