

# **BOROUGH OF NETCONG**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG HELD JUNE 6, 2019 AT THE NETCONG MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 23 MAPLE AVENUE, NETCONG, NEW JERSEY COMMENCING AT 7:30 P.M.**

Mayor Nametko called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **STATEMENT OF OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

The 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 January 4, 2019.
2. Publishing a notice in the Daily Record, the official newspaper of the Borough of Netcong on January 9, 2019 and mailing a copy to The Star Ledger on January 4, 2019.

## **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 were Mr. Blakeslee, Borough Administrator and Mrs. Eckert, Borough Clerk.

## **PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING**

The Mayor asked for a motion to close as there was no one stepping forward.

A Motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Councilman Sylvester and seconded by Councilman Koster.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

## **AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

*The following items are for discussion purposes only. Any action on these items will take place at the meeting of June 13, 2019.*

- **Minutes** – May 2, 2019
- **Minutes** – May 9, 2019

A motion was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway to approve the minutes.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

1. Resolution #2019-Certification of the Annual Audit was carried to the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.
2. Resolution #2019-To Approve the 2018 Corrective Action Plan was carried to the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.
3. Public Hearing on SID Budget was carried to the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.
4. Resolution 2019- Approving the 2019 Budget for the Special Improvement District of the Borough of Netcong was carried to the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.
5. Ordinance Adoptions –None
6. Correspondence – None
7. Old Business – None
8. New Business - NJDOT Local Aid Application - Normal Streets - Mr. Blakeslee requested Mr. Guerin to provide some ideas for possible road projects. There were several suggestions: Allen Terrace, Love Lane. The Mayor asked if the streets in the Wiltop area have been done. It was determined Carolyn, Oak and Brookside are up for bid to be completed this year. Councilman Albeni asked if this money could be used for speed humps. The Council was fairly sure this grant would not cover this. There is discussion among the Council for possible streets to be done. Mr. Blakeslee read Mr. Guerin's email with his suggestions. It was suggested there be replacement of water main and paving for Hillside Ave. There was discussion about Allen Terrace and the issues that were missed the last time. There was further discussion on possible and previous projects. It was determined Hillside and Allen Terrace would be applicable.
9. New Business – Social Affair Permit – St. Cesario Society

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

Roll Call: 5 Yes      Abstain: Councilman Sylvester

10. New Business – Social Affair Permit – Assumption Society  
A motion was made by Councilman Hathaway and seconded by Councilman Still to approve the permit.  
Roll Call: 6 yes
11. New Business - Goose Control

Councilman Hathaway asked this to be put on the agenda. We can do a goose round up. There were no goose eggs to addle they did egg addling for the swans

about 50 eggs. He said there are not a lot of geese right now and this is expensive to do. He wants the opinion of the Council as to whether or not we should do a roundup. The addling will be done every year. He said there are only a small amount of hatchlings this year. It is decided there is no need for this at this time. Mr. Blakeslee will let the USDA know.

12. New Business – Unused Vacation Time

The Mayor explained we have an employee who has 11 leftover vacation days from last year. It was asked of Mr. Blakeslee how he has planned to use up these days. Mr. Blakeslee explained last year was an exception he usually carries over 5 days each year. He suggested we may have to amend the personnel policy to extend the time table to use these extra days. There was discussion on how to resolve this issue. It is decided we need to be firmer on time being used. The Mayor would like a resolution completed for week's meeting.

13. Resolution 2019 - Authorizing the Award of a Contract to Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. to Provide Construction Design and Construction Administration Services for the NJDOT Safe Routes to Schools Design Assistance Program (SRTS-2016-Netcong Borough)

Mr. Blakeslee explained to reason for this resolution. There was brief discussion on this program and the need to move forward to coordinate with the county paving plan for Allen St.

14. Resolution 2019 - Approving Change Order No. 1 to the Contract with Roof Management, Inc. in the Amount of \$115,197.00 for Masonry Repair and Type IV Felt Installation (Vapor barrier) at the Borough's 251 Mountain Avenue Reservoir Facility

There was brief discussion regarding the details.

15. Resolution - 2019 Salary Resolution

The Mayor solicited comments from the Council. There were none.

16. Resolution – To Grant Renewal Liquor Licenses for 2019-2020 was carried to the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

17. Resolution - To Grant Renewal of Liquor License # 1428-33-009-005 for A'Nets Pub, LLC and Directing the Borough Clerk to Issue Same (waiting for revised resolution for June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting)

18. Resolution - To Grant Renewal of Liquor License # 1428-44-008-003 for Quick Chek Food Stores and Directing the Borough Clerk to Issue Same was carried to the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting

19. Resolution -To Appoint John Goula as Class II Special Police Officer of the Netcong Police Department

20. Resolution - To Appoint Peter J. Zabita Jr. as Class II Special Police Officer of the Netcong Police Department

Councilman Still asked if they can meet these candidates before the resolutions are approved and the officers sworn in.

21. Resolution - Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Professional Services for the Borough Engineer

Mr. Blakeslee explained we had to do another contract because Mr. Guerin has combined his business with Van Cliff

22. Introduction – Ordinance 2019 - 7 Amending Chapters 169 and 183 of the Code of the Borough of Netcong, Morris County, New Jersey, and Establishing Regulation for the Transient Food and Drink Merchants Including Food Truck Vendors;

Will be carried to the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

23. Introduction - Ordinance 2019-13-To Amend Chapter 54, Police Department, Article IV, Fees, Section 54-16, Fees, paragraph F, contracted Police Services, Subparagraph (3) of the Code of the Borough of Netcong, Morris County, New Jersey;

Will be carried to the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR TO THE COUNCIL**

- Council President – nothing at this time
- Councilman Albensi read an email from Mr. Fredericks sent to Councilman Albensi and Mrs. Still to let them know he would be meeting with the Mayor and Mr. Blakeslee because the Growing Stage would like to have an outdoor concert at DiRenzo Park. The concern Councilman Albensi has is the Recreation Committee was not informed first. He thought the recreation commission should have been informed before this other meeting took place because they were charged with the duty of the usage of the parks. He feels there needs to be consistency in the usage of the fields and parks. Councilman Still agrees this is why we have committees. The Mayor said he did let Mr. Fredericks know it should go through the recreation committee first. There was heated discussion on this matter.
- Councilman Hathaway gave a detailed explanation of how this transpired. The intention was to give them this information to the Growing Stage so they could meet with the recreation committee. It is agreed that these issues should go to the appropriate committee leader. Councilman Albensi had no objection to the Growing Stage using the park, but the recreation commission should have been notified first. Councilman Still said the committees are formed for a reason and it is the job of the

Mayor to direct them to the committee. The Mayor replied that he sent the request to Sharon Still who is the Recreation Committee leader. Councilman Albensi said the Growing Stage is a tremendous asset but there needs to be consistency in the process of park usage. All were in agreement that the process was not followed in this situation.

- Councilman Sylvester – looking for permission to canvas the residents on College and Stoll St. about the traffic issues there. There was discussion on this subject. Mr. Blakeslee suggested a stop sign to be put at the intersection of Stoll and College heading to Rt. 183. Councilman Still had requested a list of streets that should have a stop sign. Councilman Koster asked what information would be put into this survey. He also asked if we received any information from Roxbury about the PILOT gas station. Mr. Blakeslee said we did not.

### **MAYORS COMMENTS**

There was damage to one of the parks this week. A bus load of people used DiRenzo Park and damaged the rest room doors. Councilman Hathaway gave details of the incident. Councilman Sylvester asked if our cameras were working. The response was that they were but our cameras are not up to date and limited in range. There is money in the budget for Arbolino Park cameras. Councilman Hathaway suggested the money not being used for the goose removal should be used for new cameras in both the parks.

### **PROCLAMATION**

There were no proclamations this evening.

### **PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING**

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

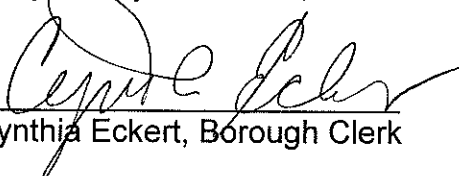
### **CLOSED SESSION**

There was no closed session.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A Motion to Adjourn the Meeting was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway at 8:26PM.  
Roll Call: 6 Yes

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Cynthia Eckert, Borough Clerk