BOROUGH OF NETCONG

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG HELD SEPTEMBER 3, 2020 AT THE NETCONG MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 23 MAPLE AVENUE, NETCONG, NEW JERSEY COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM.

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

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 3, 2020.
- 2. Publishing a notice in the Daily Record, the official newspaper of the Borough of Netcong on January 15, 2020 and sending a copy to the Star Ledger on January 3, 2020.

ROLL CALL

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

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

Seeing no one from the public stepping forward, a Motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Councilman Sylvester and seconded by Councilman Hathaway. 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 September 10, 2020.

 Minutes – Agenda Meeting – August 6, 2020 Regular Meeting – August 13, 2020

A motion was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway to approve the minutes.
Roll Call: 6 Yes

 Ordinance Adoptions - Ordinance 2020-17 - An Ordinance, Amending Chapter 226 of The Revised General Ordinances of The Borough of Netcong Entitled "Property, Abandoned" Which Shall Be Re-Entitled, "Registration of Foreclosing Mortgaged Property and Vacant Property".

This will be carried to the September 10 meeting.

3. Ordinance Adoptions – Ordinance 2020-18 - An Ordinance Granting Municipal Consent for The Operation of a Cable Television System Within The Borough Of Netcong, New Jersey To CSC TKR, LLC D/B/A Cablevision Of Morris.

This will be carried to the September 10 meeting.

- 4. Correspondence None presented
- 5. Old Business None presented
- 6. New Business None presented
- 7. Resolution No. 2020-89- A Resolution of The Borough Council of The Borough of Netcong Authorizing A Contract with Planet Networks, Inc. For Joint Use of Telephone Poles in The Public Right-Of-Way.

This will be carried to the September 10 meeting.

8. Resolution 2020- 91-Resolution for Renewal of Membership in The Morris County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

This will be carried to the September 10 meeting.

9. Resolution 2020 - 92 - A Resolution Confirming the Costs for Abatement of Property Maintenance Code Violations by The Borough of Netcong.

This will be carried to the September 10 meeting.

10. Resolution 2020 - 93 - A Resolution Requesting BPU Mandate JCP&L Invest Substantially in Electricity Infrastructure in and Surrounding Morris County.

This will be carried to the September 10 meeting.

11. Introduction - Ordinance - None presented

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR TO THE COUNCIL

Council President asked if Shop Rite will be closed for a year. Councilman Hathaway said that is unclear. They will be closed for some time while under construction. The Council feels this will be an issue as many people walk to the Shop Rite.

Councilman Still wanted to know the status of a Resolution for in person machine voting for next week. There was brief discussion among the Council about the general election and the options that would be available.

Chairman Albensi reported about the recreation meeting last night. There was discussion about a memorial sign for the J. Albensi shed in DiRenzo Park. They would like to do a 4x8 sign that could be removable for the winter months. The Mayor is concerned about the size of the sign. Councilman Hathaway was hoping a glass cabinet could be put there with a display inside. This would be there all year-round which Councilman Hathaway thought would be more appropriate for a memorial. Councilman Laureys asked about the sign in DiRenzo Park. There was brief discussion among the Council on the sign. Councilman Albensi explained they would like to do a sign to pay tribute to Councilman Albensi with his picture on it. Councilman Still asked who will be in charge of this sign. Councilman Albensi said most likely Mrs. Still. There was further discussion among the Council on the particulars of the type of sign that should be displayed. Councilman Still and Councilman Hathaway pictured something similar to the veteran memorial in front of the municipal building. There was discussion among the Council on the different types and sizes of signs available. It was determined by the Council the Borough would be paying for the sign. Councilman Hathaway would like to be sure it is a quality sign. Councilman Albensi also asked if the ramp for the shed will be made a little less steep and would there be electric. Councilman Hathaway determined both of those things will be addressed by DPW Superintendent Mr. Canfield. Councilman Still suggested solar power for the light. There was also discussion about wiring for the cameras as well.

Councilman Still suggested we should make a sign for the recycle center – The Cissy Laureys Recycle Center. Mr. Blakeslee asked Councilman Laureys to find a nice picture of his mom.

Councilman Albensi asked about handicap parking for the kayak launch. Mr. Blakeslee explained the process for the launch. Councilman Hathaway asked if we could put a handicap sign up now. Councilman Sylvester suggested we cannot just put a sign up there, as there are guidelines for handicap parking areas. There was discussion among the Council regarding the details of parking in the area near the kayak launch.

MAYORS COMMENTS

The Mayor had no comments at this time.

PROCLAMATION

No proclamations were presented at this time.

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

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

Roll Call: 5 Yes

CLOSED SESSION

No closed session was held during this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion to Adjourn the Meeting was made by Councilman Still, seconded by Councilman Hathaway and passed by unanimous voice vote at 7:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Eckert, Borough Clerk