

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG HELD DECEMBER 5, 2013 AT THE NETCONG MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 23 MAPLE AVENUE, NETCONG, NEW JERSEY COMMENCING AT 7:30 P.M.**

Mayor Nametko presiding.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CALL TO ORDER – STATEMENT OF OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:**

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

The Borough Clerk read the following statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act:

1. Adequate notice of this meeting as defined by the Open Public Meetings Act has been provided by:
2. Posting a notice of said meeting in the space provided for such announcements at the Netcong Borough Hall on January 4, 2013.
3. Publishing a notice in The Daily Record, the official newspaper of the Borough of Netcong on January 9, 2013 and mailing a copy to The Star Ledger on January 4, 2013.

**ROLL CALL**

Council members present for this meeting were Councilman Laureys, Councilman Hathaway, Councilman Sylvester, Councilman Still, Councilwoman Butler, Councilman Koster and Mayor Nametko. Also in attendance were Mr. Blakeslee and Mrs. Eckert.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Special Meeting of November 6, 2013
- Agenda Meeting of November 7, 2013
- Regular Meeting of November 14, 2013

A Motion to Approve the Special Meeting of November 6, 2013 Minutes was made by Councilwoman Butler and seconded by Councilman Sylvester.  
Roll Call: 5 Yes Abstain: Councilman Koster

A Motion to Approve the Agenda Meeting of November 7, 2013 Minutes was made by Councilwoman Butler and seconded by Councilman Sylvester.  
Roll Call: 5 Yes Abstain: Councilman Koster

A Motion to Approve the Regular Meeting of November 14, 2013 Minutes was made by Councilwoman Butler and seconded by Councilman Sylvester.  
Roll Call: 6 Yes

### **RESOLUTION TO HIRE POLICE OFFICER**

1. **Resolution #2013-106** -To Hire S.J Reilly as Probationary Patrolman of the Netcong Police Dept.

A motion was made by Councilman Sylvester and seconded by Councilman Koster to approve this resolution.  
Roll Call: 6 Yes

### **SWEARING IN OF S.J. REILLY AS POLICE OFFICER**

Ms. Eckert, Borough Clerk provided the swearing in ceremony for Mr. Reilly. Chief Blessen and Officer Reilly spoke.

### **PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING**

The Mayor opened the meeting to the public. Seeing no one stepping forward, the Mayor asked for a motion to close.

A Motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.  
Roll Call: 6 Yes

### **ORDINANCE ADOPTIONS**

1. **Ordinance 2013-15** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 75, Special Improvement District, by Revising the Existing Tier System and Establishing a New Assessment Rate in Schedule A and Amending Sections 75-5, District Management Corporation, 75-6, Budget and 75-10, Stabilization of the Sid Assessment of the Code of the Borough of Netcong, County of Morris and State of New Jersey

This ordinance will be carried to the December 12, 2013 meeting.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Letter from Board of Chosen Freeholders – Invitation to Work Session to be held on December 10, 2013.
2. Mt. Olive Township – Highlands Preservation Area Land Use Ordinance (copy on file in Clerk's office)

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### 1. Winter Parking

Mr. Blakeslee stated that the office was still gathering data on this matter and will have the results next week. This discussion was moved to the December 12<sup>th</sup> meeting

## **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was presented at this meeting.

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

Council President Still had no comments at this time.

Councilman Ed Koster thought the Tree lighting was great. He also said the Recreation Commission did a great job. Mayor and Council need to send thank you notes to Plant Detectives who donated the tree and Stroud Excavating for landscaping done at cost of materials. The Clerk will provide notes and the Mayor will sign them.

Councilwoman Pat Butler gave thanks to the Recreation Commission and Sharon Still for all their work in preparing for the Holiday Parade. She was also pleased with the response from the Fireman and DPW.

Councilman Bob Hathaway wished to provide thanks to all volunteers who are the cornerstone these events, as well as the Police and EMT for their efforts.

Another important mention: The swirl chamber has been cleaned!!

## **MAYORS COMMENTS**

The Mayor agreed that the Parade and Tree Lighting were great. He wanted to mention the special thank you to Councilman Bob Hathaway for finding the donor of the tree.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

1. **Resolution #2013- 107-** Authorizing the Cancellation of Small Balances under the Amount of \$10.00

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

Roll Call: 6 Yes

2. **Resolution #2013- 108** – Authorizing a Change Order for the Prospect Street Improvements Phase II with Mark Paving Company, Inc.

A motion to approve this resolution was made by Councilman Koster and seconded by Councilman Sylvester.

Roll Call: 5 Yes      Abstain: Councilman Still

3. **Resolution 2013-109** – Request for Consent – Chatham Township, Morris County Municipal Chapter Proposed Amendment to the Upper Delaware, Upper Raritan and Northeast Water Quality Management Plan

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

Roll Call: 6 Yes

4. **Resolution 2013-110** – Transfer Resolution for Current Fund

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

Roll Call: 6 Yes

5. **Resolution 2013-111** – Stipends

This resolution will be carried to the December 12, 2013 meeting.

### **ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS**

No Ordinances were presented at this meeting.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

There was no closed session during this meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A Motion to Adjourn the Meeting was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway at 7:46 PM and was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Cynthia Eckert, Borough Clerk