

# **BOROUGH OF NETCONG**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG HELD AUGUST 3, 2017 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 6, 2017.
2. Publishing a notice in the Daily Record, the official newspaper of the Borough of Netcong on January 11, 2017 and mailing a copy to The Star Ledger on January 6, 2017.

## **ROLL CALL**

Those in attendance this evening were 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.

## **Netcong Republican Committee Letter – Open Council Seat Recommendation**

A Motion to appoint Joseph Albensi to fill the open Council seat was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.  
Roll Call: 5 Yes

## **Swear in New Council Member**

Councilman Joseph Albensi was officially sworn in by the Borough Clerk, Cynthia Eckert.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Agenda Meeting – July 6, 2017
- Regular Meeting – July 13, 2017

A Motion to Approve the Above Listed Minutes was made by Councilman Sylvester and seconded by Councilman Koster.

Roll Call: 4 Yes            Abstain: Councilmen Albensi and Laureys

### **PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING**

The Mayor noted no one stepping forward to speak.

A Motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Councilman Hathaway and seconded by Councilman Laureys.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

### **ORDINANCE ADOPTIONS**

No ordinances were adopted at this meeting.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Letter from St. Cesario Society

The Council acknowledged receipt of this letter.

2. E-Mail from Anna Erickson – Requesting Permission for Road Closure for Block Party on Kings Rd. Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 with Fire Dept. and Police approval

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

Roll Call: 6 Yes

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Bond Anticipation Note – Determination and Award Certificate

*Actual document image provided on following page.*

DETERMINATION AND AWARD CERTIFICATE

(\$915,495 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE)

BOROUGH OF NETCONG, COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY

I, JASON GABLOFF, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Netcong, in the County of Morris, New Jersey (herein called the "Issuer"), HEREBY CERTIFY as follows:

1. By virtue of the authority conferred upon me by fifteen bond ordinances adopted by the Borough Council of the Issuer on June 9, 2011 (Ord. No. 2011-7), April 12, 2012 (Ord. No. 2012-9), May 10, 2012 (Ord. No. 2012-11, as amended by Ord. No. 2013-1 adopted on February 14, 2013), June 14, 2012 (Ord. No. 2012-13), August 9, 2012 (two ordinances: Ord. Nos. 2012-14 and 2012-15), June 13, 2013 (Ord. No. 2013-8), October 10, 2013 (two ordinances: Ord. Nos. 2013-12 and 2013-13), May 8, 2014 (Ord. No. 2014-6), March 12, 2015 (Ord. No. 2015-2), June 11, 2015 (Ord. No. 2015-6), September 10, 2015 (Ord. No. 2015-11), November 12, 2015 (Ord. No. 2015-12) and July 14, 2016 (Ord. No. 2016-9), I have determined to issue a Bond Anticipation Note (the "Note") of the Issuer in accordance with the following description:

TOTAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: \$915,495

DATED: July 14, 2017

MATURITY: July 13, 2018 (non-callable)

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DENOMINATION</u>
17-1R	\$915,495

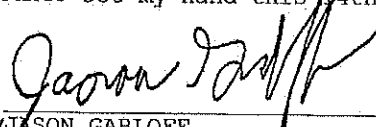
INTEREST RATE PER ANNUM (payable at maturity): 1.82%

PLACE OF PAYMENT: TBGC Investments, Corp.  
21035 Dupont Boulevard  
Georgetown, Delaware

2. Pursuant to said authority, I have awarded and will sell the Note to TBGC Investments, Corp., at the price of \$915,495 plus an amount equal to the interest on the Note accrued to the date of payment of the purchase price thereof.

3. No obligations of the Issuer other than the Note have been issued pursuant to the bond ordinances referenced above and are now outstanding.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 14th day of July, 2017.

  
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JASON GABLOFF  
Chief Financial Officer  
Borough of Netcong  
County of Morris  
State of New Jersey

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### 1. Energy Aggregation Program Presentation

Wendy Molner and Mark Logrippo provided a presentation regarding the program and how it will benefit the town. They listed some of the towns that have joined. Ms. Molner explained deregulation of electrical providers and the particulars of the program. An ordinance must be passed before the program can be accepted. Residents can opt in and out of the program at will. Bills do not change. They will still be delivered by JCP&L. Any outages or questions are still directed to JCP&L. There will be no door to door sales. This program is offered to save money. Outreach is done by their team not the 3<sup>rd</sup> party. There will also be an interactive video on our website. Concord, her company, is the state's energy consultants. Ms. Molner noted some of the savings for some of the 40 NJ towns already in the program. Some towns have made co-operatives in order to get better savings with volume.

Mr. Logrippo introduced himself and let everyone know this program is sponsored by the state. Councilman Sylvester asked if everyone in the town is in at the beginning. The reply was "yes." Residents would always have the option to opt out. The bidding by the state is done once per year. The rate will never go above the state's rate. The Mayor asked if the medium size companies can take the load of all these towns. It is stated they are already providing the power. The program contract cannot go longer than 14 months. Ms. Molnar listed the companies involved. There are further questions from the Council members. Wharton would be the Borough's lead agency for the Morris County Co-op. The consulting company gets paid by the third party not Wharton or the cooperative. Councilman Hathaway questioned how the third party says the MSA has been in a co-op or many years and has saved money. The Mayor asked if Concord is a private company. Ms. Molnar replied that it was and is owned by one man and has been around for 20 years. There are about 60 municipalities in NJ doing this now.

Councilman Albensi asks if the Wharton cooperative has better prices because of their size. She said everyone gets the same price regardless of size. It does not change based on people opting out. The Mayor asked if a copy of the contract could be left with the Council. Ms. Molnar will send it to Mr. Blakeslee. The estimate for savings is 8-10%.

The Mayor thanked them for their time.

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

Council President – The dump truck was determined to be worth \$2500.00 in scrap so that is what Councilman Sylvester offered them. Other towns have been given the opportunity to bid on it. If there are no other bids, the truck will be part of Netcong.

Councilman Still – Regarding Mary Pierson: everyone got the letter and phone call. The Mayor stated he met with Keith and said Allen St. is where Mary grew up and lived. They would like to approach the county about putting Mary Pierson Way above the Allen St. sign. Councilman Laureys asked if we would need permission from the county if we put this name on another road. Councilman Sylvester explained how a new sign can be placed directly above the existing road signs with her name. Mr. Blakeslee can form a letter regarding this.

A Motion to write a letter to the county to name Allen St. Mary Pierson Way was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Sylvester.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

Chairman Still asked for a sign for Councilwoman Cissy Laureys at the recycling center. All were in agreement.

Councilman Still made a motion to name the Recycling Center after Cissy Laureys and post a large sign. Councilman Hathaway seconded the motion.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

Councilman Hathaway - reminded everyone about the Fireman's Challenge on Sat. August 19<sup>th</sup> from 11 to 4pm. Raffle tickets are available. He noted that the funds will be used to continue improving the lake quality. He discussed the last water chestnut pull and the improvements that have been made due to the chestnut pulls and biologic added to the lake. He also explained the hydro rake is in the lake and being used which should be very effective. It is moored where the harvesters are kept. The small harvester will be removed from the lake to assist another entity with issues in their area.

### **MAYORS COMMENTS**

The Mayor requested to have a second public session at the end of the meeting to accommodate late comers. The Council agreed this should be added to each agenda going forward.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

- 1. Resolution 2017- 84-** Authorizing a Public Display of Fireworks by the Assumption Society

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

Roll Call: 5 Yes      Abstain: Councilman Albensi

**2. Resolution 2017- 85 – Appointing Olivia Nametko as Board of Health Member**

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

Roll Call: 5 Yes Abstain: Councilman Albensi

**3. Resolution 2017- 86 – Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation- NJ Prevention Network, Inc.**

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

Roll Call: 5 Yes Abstain: Councilman Albensi

**4. Resolution 2017- 87 – Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation – Municipal Alliance**

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

Roll Call: 5 Yes Abstain: Councilman Albensi

**5. Resolution 2017- 88- Authorizing the Approval of Change Order No. 1 for the Railroad Ave. Phase 1 Contract with Reivax Contracting Co.**

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

Roll Call: 5 Yes Abstain: Councilman Albensi

**6. Resolution 2017- 89 –Authorizing the Sale of Municipal Surplus Property**

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

Roll Call: 5 Yes Abstain: Councilman Albensi

**PROCLAMATION**

There were no proclamations made during this meeting.

**ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS**

No ordinance introductions were presented.

**CLOSED SESSION**

No closed session was held.

**PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING**

The Mayor opened the public session a second time. No one stepped forward.

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

Roll Call: 6 Yes

**ADJOURNMENT**

A Motion to Adjourn the Meeting was made by Councilman Still, seconded by Councilman Hathaway and passed by unanimous voice vote at 8:14PM.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

Respectfully submitted,

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Cynthia Eckert, Borough Clerk