

BOROUGH OF NETCONG

MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG HELD MARCH 2, 2023 AT THE NETCONG MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 23 MAPLE AVENUE, NETCONG, NEW JERSEY COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nametko 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 6, 2023.
2. Publishing a notice in the Daily Record, the official newspaper
of the Borough of Netcong on January 11, 2023 and emailing a
copy to the Star Ledger on January 6, 2023.

ROLL CALL

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

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

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

Roll Call: 5 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 March 9, 2023.

1. **Approval of Minutes** – February 2, 2023 Agenda Meeting

Approval of Minutes – February 9, 2023 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Councilman Sylvester and seconded by Councilman Morton to approve the minutes.

Roll Call: 5 Yes

2. Public Hearing for 2023 Cost Estimate for the Borough's Special Improvement District.

To be carried to the March 9 Meeting.

Resolution #2023-32 - Resolution to Approve the 2023 Cost Estimate for the Borough's Special Improvement District.

To be carried to the March 9 Meeting.

3. Ordinance Adoption – Ordinance 2023-2 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR A CHARITABLE SOLICITATION PERMIT FOR NETCONG VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY NO. 1's "COIN DROP" ON MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND AND COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF ALLEN STREET AND LEDGEWOOD AVENUE AND MAIN STREET AND ROUTE 46 AND ROUTE 183 IN THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

To be carried to the March 9 Meeting.

4. Ordinance Adoption – Ordinance 2023-3 - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE POLICE CHIEF TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR A CHARITABLE SOLICITATION PERMIT FOR AMERICAN LEGION AMBULANCE CORP OF STANHOPE/NETCONG'S "COIN DROP" ON JUNE 9TH, JUNE 10TH 2023 AND ON SEPTEMBER 8TH, AND SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2023 AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF ALLEN STREET AND LEDGEWOOD AVENUE AND MAIN STREET AND ROUTE 46 IN THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

To be carried to the March 9 Meeting.

5. Bond Ordinance Adoption – Bond Ordinance 2023-4 - BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OF A NEW PUMPER FIRE ENGINE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$900,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

To be carried to the March 9 Meeting.

6. Old Business - None

7. New Business -None

8. **Correspondence - None**

9. **Resolution 2023-33** – Authorizing the Refund for a Water/Sewer Overpayment Block 25 Lot 8, 24 Center St.

10. **Resolution 2023-34-** To Appoint Judge Glenn Gavin

11. **Resolution 2023-35** – Supporting the Federal Fair Housing Law and the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination

A Motion was made by Councilman Hathaway and seconded by Councilman Sylvester to approve the three resolutions noted above.

Roll Call: 5 Yes

12. **Ordinance Introduction** – None presented

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR TO THE COUNCIL

Councilman Hathaway offered that the Goose collection is on Mr. Blakelee's desk. He stated we have been trying to get the surrounding municipalities to do a shared service for this. The borough pays the lake board to do the addling of the eggs. He gave further information on this. There is a new document that needs to be signed for property entry. He would like Mr. Blakeslee to ask the surrounding towns to sign this and possibly do a shared service for this. He feels the USDA should be given authority to go on to areas that have easements. There was further discussion among the Mayor and Council on this. Councilman Hathaway stated we would have to give a map to the USDA showing the properties that have easements that belong to the borough. Councilman Hathaway feels the surrounding towns should be contributing funds for this

MAYORS COMMENTS

The Mayor had no comment at this time.

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Roll Call: 5 Yes

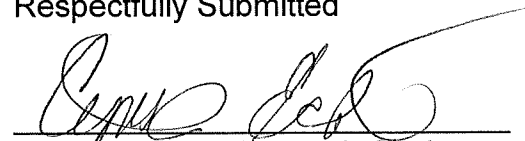
CLOSED SESSION

No closed sessions were held this evening.

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion to Adjourn the Meeting was made by Councilman Sylvester and seconded by Councilman Hathaway at 7:39PM.
Roll Call:5 Yes

Respectfully Submitted



Cynthia Eckert, Borough Clerk