

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG HELD APRIL 5, 2012 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:

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, 2012.
2. Publishing a notice in the Daily Record, the official newspaper of the Borough of Netcong on January 11, 2012 and mailing a copy to The Star Ledger on January 6, 2012.

ROLL CALL

Members of the Borough Council present at roll call were: Laureys, Hathaway, Sylvester, Still, Acquaro (arrived at 7:35 P.M.,) Koster and Mayor Nametko. Ralph Blakeslee, Borough Administrator & Deputy Clerk and Dolores Dalessandro, Borough Clerk were also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of March 8, 2012

The Mayor asked if the Council had time to review the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 8, 2012. He asked for questions or comments. There were none.

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

Roll Call: 5 Yes Absent: Councilwoman Acquaro

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SID ASSESSMENTS

Resolution #2012-35 Resolution to Approve the 2012 Property Assessments for the Netcong Community Partnership Special Improvement District of the Borough of Netcong.

This resolution was carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

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

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

Roll Call: 5 Yes

ORDINANCE ADOPTIONS

1. Adoption of Ordinance #2012-6 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 194 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG AND ESTABLISHING MAXIMUM IMPERVIOUS COVERAGE LIMITATIONS IN ALL ZONE DISTRICTS. (See Resolution No. 2012-6 from the Netcong Planning Board)

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

2. Adoption of Ordinance #2012-7 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 8TH, JUNE 9TH AND JUNE 10TH, 2012 AND ON SEPTEMBER 7TH, AND SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2012 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.

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

3. Adoption of Ordinance #2012-8 AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

4. Adoption of Ordinance #2012-9 BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR PHASE II MAPLE AVENUE STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$254,350 THEREFOR, INCLUDING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000 EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$51,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter from The State Department of Transportation informing the Borough that they will receive a grant for Prospect Street Improvements in the amount of \$95,328.00.

The Mayor noted that this was pretty close to what he was looking for and noted this letter should be filed. He also noted that perhaps the same ramps could be used for handicapped assessment.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on Circle Project.

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

2. Update of Chair Lift for Fire Co. No. 1.

Mr. Blakeslee noted that the application is 75% completed.
This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

3. Netcong/Stanhope Joint Safety Committee Meeting.

Councilman Sylvester provided a recap of the meeting. It was noted that a new ambulance would cost about \$200,000. He also noted there was discussion about the two police departments. There was no interest by Stanhope to merge.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of Special Alcohol Permit for Social Affair for Growing Stage.

A motion was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Koster to approve the permit.

Roll Call: 5 Yes Abstain: Councilman Sylvester

2. Approval of Special Alcohol Permit for Social Affair for Arceo Brothers N.J. Inc.

Mrs. Dalessandro provided the specific conditions regarding this permit.

A motion was made by Councilman Koster and seconded by Councilman Still to approve the permit.

Roll Call: 5 Yes Abstain: Councilman Sylvester

3. Authorization to Advertise for Bids for College Road/Stoll Street Sidewalk Improvements.

A motion was made by Councilman Koster and seconded by Councilman Hathaway.
Roll Call: 6 Yes

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR TO THE COUNCIL

The Council President requested an agenda for future joint meetings with other municipalities. Councilman Sylvester noted this was a very 'last minute' meeting. Mr. Blakeslee noted there was a meeting a month ago when no decisions were made. The Council felt they were somewhat blind sighted and did not feel prepared to discuss the issues that were presented by the other municipality.

Councilwoman Acquaro presented an idea of a walking program for wellness. She included a explanation of how the project would work. The Council discussed potentially safe walking routes in the town. Councilman Sylvester asked about liabilities.

MAYORS COMMENTS

The Mayor continued the discussion of 'wellness' by discussing the possibility of an adult dance and possibly include dance lessons. This would be done at no cost to the town. The Mayor offered to pay for the rental of the hall. The Council discussed various ways to provide refreshments.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution 2012-37 Certification of the Annual Audit

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

2. Resolution 2012-38 To Approve the 2011 Corrective Action Plan.

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

3. Resolution 2012-39 Authorizing the Acceptance of a Deed of Dedication and Sight Easement from Felice Montella and Anna C. Montella, Trustees under the Montella Living Trust, in Accordance with the Requirements of the Minor Subdivision Approval Of Lots 5 and 5.01, Block 23, More Commonly Known as 37 Center Street in the Borough of Netcong.

A motion was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilwoman Acquaro.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

4. Resolution 2012-43 Resolution Supporting the Click It or Ticket Mobilization of May 21 – June 3, 2012.

A motion was made by Councilman Sylvester and seconded by Councilman Koster.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

5. Resolution 2012-44 Resolution Amending the Personnel Policy in Accordance with The JIF's Recommendations.

A motion was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Hathaway to rescind a previous motion and move this to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS

1. Introduction of **Ordinance #2012-10 SALARY ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.**

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

2. Introduction of **Bond Ordinance #2012-11 BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BY THE BOROUGH OF NETCONG, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$332,850 THEREFOR, INCLUDING \$50,000 EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE MORRIS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$268,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.**

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

ADOPTION OF THE 2012 BUDGET

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2012 BUDGET

1. Resolution 2012-40 Self-Examination of Budget Resolution.

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

2. Resolution #2012-41 To Read Budget by Title Only

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

3. Resolution #2011-42 To Adopt the 2012 Budget.

This will be carried to the April 12, 2012 meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS

1. To Proclaim April, 2012 as Alcohol Awareness Month in the Borough of Netcong.

A motion was made by Councilman Still and seconded by Councilman Koster to approve the proclamation.

Roll Call: 6 Yes

CLOSED SESSION

No closed session was planned for this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Still and was carried by unanimous voice vote at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Dolores Dalessandro, Borough Clerk