

Borough of Tenafly

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

MINUTES

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2016

PRESENT: Mayor Peter Rustin, and Councilmembers Anthony Barzelatto, Maxim Basch, Shama Haider, Daniel Park, Paul Stefanowicz, and Mark Zinna

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Borough Administrator Jewel Thompson-Chin
Borough Attorney William R. McClure

At 7:03 p.m. Mayor Rustin read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement: "In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act P.L. 1975, chapter 231, the notice requirements have been satisfied. Meeting dates for the year are listed in the Annual Agenda; copies are sent to the Record, Suburbanite, and Northern Valley News and posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Municipal Center."

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Rustin recognized Borough Attorney William McClure, who read into the record Resolution 16-44.

BE IT RESOLVED in compliance with NJSA 10:4-12, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Tenafly are going into Closed Executive Session to discuss the following matters:

- A. Collective Bargaining
 - 1. Contract Negotiations Update

Minutes will be taken of the meeting and released to the public at the time that the matter is resolved. After Closed Executive Session, the Mayor and Council will reconvene in the Council Chambers to resume the Regular Meeting.

On a motion from C. Zinna, seconded by C. Park, and all present voting in favor, the meeting was recessed to the Closed Session in the Committee Room at 7:04 p.m.

The Regular Meeting resumed at 8:25 p.m.

The Salute to the Flag was led by Mayor Peter Rustin.

Motion by C. Zinna, second by C. Park, and all other members voting in favor,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the 2015 Recess Meeting, 2016 Reorganization Meeting, January 5, 2016 Work Session, and January 5, 2016 Closed Session (not to be released) are approved.

REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA:

None.

AUDIENCE REMARKS FOR AGENDA ITEMS:

Joanne Gambrill – 15 Ravine Road - urged the Council to speak into their microphones.

CONSENT AGENDA:

#R16-45/Approve Expenditures as of January 6, 2016

#R16-46/Approve Developer's Agreement – Tenafly Railroad, LLC

#R16-47/Approve Planning Board Escrow Refund – PB #1-15-01

#R16-48/Amend 2016 Meeting Schedule – Add Budget Hearing Meetings

#R16-49/Authorize Refunds – Recreation Department – Fingerprint Reimbursement

#R16-50/Authorize Refunds – Recreation Department – Various

#R16-51/Authorize Submission for the Tenafly Municipal Alliance Grant – FY 2017

#R16-52/Authorize Refund – 2016 Dog License

Motion by C. Zinna, second by C. Haider, that the Consent Agenda be approved.

On a roll call, the vote on the Consent Agenda was recorded as follows:

C. Barzelatto:	aye	C. Park:	aye
C. Basch:	aye	C. Stefanowicz:	aye
C. Haider:	aye	C. Zinna:	aye

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Zinna

The Chamber of Commerce annual dinner will be held January 20th at the Clinton Inn.

The Recreation Board met. He stated that the softball group asked for permission to put up a removable shed. The Lions Little League had to increase their fees, due to having professional coaches. C. Zinna advised that 100 Tenafly residents signed up for summer camp. He added that the Recreation Board would like to have the greenery trimmed in the skate park. The Mayor requested that the Administrator take a ride along with the DPW Director and Chief to examine the area. C. Zinna stated that the Recreation Board inquired as to whether it would be feasible to rent out the McCandless Room for parties involving charities. The Mayor advised that it would be handled on a case by case basis. The Administrator informed that there is a permit process to use the McCandless Room. She explained that only Davis Johnson Park is used for parties. The Administrator stated that she will provide rules and regulation as a reference for Davis Johnson Park.

Councilman Barzelatto

The Tenafly Fire Department had two serious house fires this week. One house fire was on Marcotte Lane and the other was on Franklin Street. He noted that all the families were displaced.

Mayor Rustin

The Mayor attended a Mayor's breakfast. He advised that Gary Shaw, Cablevision's Director of Governmental Affairs, discussed the statewide franchise and merger. He also stated that the Executive Director of the League of Municipalities discussed pensions, COAH and casinos.

Councilwoman Haider

The Board of Adjustment met and appointed Jeff Grossman as the Chair. She stated that one application was approved.

Councilman Basch

The Senior Citizens would like a part-time social service support person. The Borough Clerk advised that the county offers services and will send a representative to the Borough, so individuals do not have to travel to Hackensack.

Councilman Stefanowicz

The HPC met last Thursday. He stated that Karen Neus was selected as the new Chair. He added that the HPC is going to focus on the Oresko monument.

OLD BUSINESS:

- C. Barzelatto inquired as to where the Borough is with regards to communication for fire and police radios. The Administrator stated that she had a meeting with Middlesex Technical Regional regarding the Police, Fire and TVAC. The Administrator noted that all representatives were present for the meeting. She advised that each group stated their issues. She added that they were able to identify areas where assistance and technical support is needed. She noted she will obtain an update tomorrow.
- C. Barzelatto explained that other towns allow junior firefighters to start at 15 years of age. The Administrator advised that there are different categories. She stated that

individuals who are 15 years of age could become Cadets with limits and restrictions in place; however permitting 15 year olds to service are not justified for the added premium cost according to the insurance commission.

- C. Basch stated that there needs to be clarification regarding the community center. He inquired as to the cost to build and run the community center. He added that the findings need to be presented at a public meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Introduction of Ordinances
- C. Zinna moved that the following ordinances be introduced and passed on first reading and set January 26, 2016 at 8:45 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard as the date and time and the Council Chambers of the Tenaflly Municipal Center as the place for a hearing on said ordinance. Seconded by C. Park:

The Borough Clerk read into the record:

ORDINANCE NO. 16-01 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 6 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF TENAFLY, ENTITLED "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL" AND MORE PARTICULARLY: AMENDING SECTION 6-4, REGULATIONS OF LICENSES

ORDINANCE NO. 16-02 - BOND ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 3(f) OF BOND ORDINANCE NO. 14-08 FINALLY ADOPTED ON APRIL 29, 2014, AS SUPPLEMENTED BY BOND ORDINANCE NO. 15-02 FINALLY ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 24, 2015, PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING BY THE BOROUGH OF TENAFLY, BY APPROPRIATING AN ADDITIONAL \$50,000 THEREFOR AND BY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN ADDITIONAL \$47,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF

On a roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

C. Barzelatto:	aye	C. Park:	aye
C. Basch:	aye	C. Stefanowicz:	aye
C. Haider:	aye	C. Zinna:	aye

- C. Park moved that the following ordinance be introduced and passed on first reading and set February 9, 2016 at 8:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard as the date and time and the Council Chambers of the Tenaflly Municipal Center as the place for a hearing on said ordinance. Seconded by C. Zinna:

The Borough Clerk read into the record:

ORDINANCE NO. 16-03 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 35 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF TENAFLY, ENTITLED "LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS" AND MORE PARTICULARLY: AMENDING SECTION 35-801.3, ZONING MAP

On a roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

C. Barzelatto:	aye	C. Park:	aye
C. Basch:	aye	C. Stefanowicz:	aye
C. Haider:	aye	C. Zinna:	aye

- C. Barzelatto would like to discuss the condition of Stop and Shop. The Mayor informed that Stop and Shop is scheduled to undergo a exterior renovation in March. He added that the store will be closed for approximately a month for the interior renovation, which will take place in April. The Mayor added that they will be working with the Police Department regarding the parking issue.
- C. Barzelatto stated that the Fire Department's 125th anniversary parade will be held on October 9th.
- C. Barzelatto inquired as to why private contractors were handling the swim club greenery cleanup. The Administrator advised that several DPW workers were out and equipment problems contributed to using the private service for the cleanup. She added that the Borough always uses a combination of public and private services.

AUDIENCE REMARKS FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Roger Jennings – 75 Prospect Terrace – advised that he is a newly elected trustee to the Tenakill Swim Club. He inquired as to what the timeframe is for building the community center. The Mayor explained that there is no timeframe at this point. He added that there is no guarantee that anything will materialize with the community center.

MAYOR'S REMARKS:

Mayor Rustin read a proclamation designating Friday, April 29, 2016 as Arbor Day.

The Mayor reminded residents that the DPW will plant trees in the spring. He urged residents to contact the DPW, if they would like a tree planted in the right-of-way.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to come before the Council, on a motion by C. Haider, second by C. Zinna, and unanimously carried, to adjourn this meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lissette Aportela,
MPA, RMC, CMC
Borough Clerk