

# BOROUGH OF JAMESBURG

## COUNCIL MEETING

### MINUTES – MAY 24, 2006

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00pm - Mayor Anthony LaMantia called the meeting to order and announced that same is being held pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act of 1974 and all provisions of that Act have been met. Any contracts awarded tonight require the contractor to comply with N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et.seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27. Also announced, in the event of a fire and pursuant to the N.J. Uniform Fire Code, the members of the audience were requested to take notice of the exits at the front and rear of the Council Chambers as well as in the main hallway.

**FLAG SALUTE:** Led by Mayor LaMantia

**ROLL CALL:** Those present: Mayor LaMantia  
Council President Jennings  
Council member Carpenter  
Council member Longo  
Council member Maloney  
Council member Morales  
Attorney Raffetto - arrived 7:04pm  
Engineer Dittenhofer  
Denise Jawdzik, Business Administrator

Those absent: Council member Kostbar

**RESOLUTIONS:**  
**RESOLUTION #155-05-24-06\*\***

#### RESOLUTION ACCEPTING MINUTES

**BE IT RESOLVED**, THAT THE FOLLOWING MINUTES BE AND ARE HEREBY ACCEPTED AND FILED:

MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
May 10, 2006

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CARPENTER			X			
JENNINGS			X			
KOSTBAR						X
LONGO		X	X			
MALONEY			X			
MORALES	X		X			
MAYOR LAMANTIA						

**RESOLUTION #156-05-24-06**

#### RESOLUTION ACCEPTING REPORTS

**BE IT RESOLVED**, BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF JAMESBURG THAT THE FOLLOWING REPORTS BE AND ARE HEREBY RECEIVED AND FILED:

Tax Collector	April 2006
Sewer Administrator	April 2006
Finance Officer	April 2006
Investment Report	April 2006
B.A.N. Sale Report	May 4, 2006
Chief of Police	April 2006

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CARPENTER			X			
JENNINGS	X		X			
KOSTBAR						X
LONGO			X			
MALONEY		X	X			
MORALES			X			
MAYOR LAMANTIA						

**RESOLUTION #157-05-24-06**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF OUTSTANDING MUNICIPAL COURT CHECKS

**WHEREAS**, THERE ARE CHECKS OUTSTANDING IN THE ACCOUNT OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT; AND

**WHEREAS**, THESE CHECKS HAVE REMAINED OUTSTANDING SINCE 2003; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR HAS REQUESTED THAT THESE CHECKS BE VOIDED:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, BY THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF JAMESBURG, THAT THE MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR IS AUTHORIZED TO CANCEL THE FOLLOWING OUTSTANDING CHECKS:

CHECK #	MADE PAYABLE TO	DATE OF ISSUANCE	AMOUNT
0980	AMEENAH BURNS	07/21/2003	\$18.00
0971	CHRISTINA KING	05/20/2003	\$22.00

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CARPENTER		X	X			
JENNINGS			X			
KOSTBAR						X
LONGO			X			
MALONEY			X			
MORALES	X		X			
MAYOR LAMANTIA						

**RESOLUTION #158-05-24-06**

APPOINT SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

I, ANTHONY LAMANTIA, MAYOR, WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL DO HEREBY APPOINT THE FOLLOWING AS SPECIAL CLASS II OFFICERS TO THE JAMESBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR TERMS COMMENCING IMMEDIATELY AND EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2006 OR UNTIL SUCCESSORS ARE DULY APPOINTED AND QUALIFIED.

SPECIAL CLASS II OFFICERS

JOSEPH J. QUINN, JR.

ADAM S. GURIAN

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CARPENTER			X			
JENNINGS	X		X			
KOSTBAR						X
LONGO			X			
MALONEY		X	X			

MORALES			X			
MAYOR LAMANTIA						

**RESOLUTION #159-05-24-06**

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL A-2966/SENATE BILL S-1797

**WHEREAS**, P.L.1977, c.467 ESTABLISHED A NEW HOME WARRANTY SECURITY FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING MONEYS SUFFICIENT TO PAY CLAIMS BY OWNERS AGAINST BUILDERS PARTICIPATING IN THE FUND FOR DEFECTS IN NEW HOMES COVERED BY THE NEW HOME WARRANTY; AND

**WHEREAS**, PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCED WITH THE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS IN CERTAIN COMMUNITIES DUE TO THE USE OF POLYBUTYLENE ( A FORM OF PLASTIC RESIN) PIPE USED IN THEIR CONSTRUCTION (BETWEEN 1978 AND 1995)THAT HAVE CORRODED AND ARE A HAZARD TO BUILDING STRUCTURES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY;

**WHEREAS**, HOMEOWNERS AND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS WHOSE POLYBUTYLENE PIPES ARE DIRE NEED OF REPLACEMENT ARE FACING HIGH AND OFTEN UNANTICIPATED REPLACEMENT COSTS THAT THEY ARE OFTEN UNABLE TO RECOUP FROM POTENTIALLY LIABLE MANUFACTURERS AND BUILDERS THAT ARE NO LONGER IN EXISTENCE; AND

**WHEREAS**, ASSEMBLY BILL A-2966 AND ITS IDENTICAL SENATE BILL S-1797 WOULD AUTHORIZE THE USE OF FUNDS FROM THE NEW HOME WARRANTY FUND TO ADVANCE INTEREST FREE LOANS TO HOMEOWNERS AND/OR THEIR ASSOCIATIONS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF POLYBUTYLENE PIPES;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, THAT THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF JAMESBURG URGE THE PASSAGE AND SIGNING INTO LAW, OF ASSEMBLY BILL A-2966 AND THE IDENTICAL SENATE COUNTERPART S-1797.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, THAT COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION BE SENT TO THE ASSEMBLY HOUSING AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE AS WELL AS THE SENATE COMMUNITY AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CARPENTER		X	X			
JENNINGS	X		X			
KOSTBAR						X
LONGO			X			
MALONEY			X			
MORALES			X			
MAYOR LAMANTIA						

**RESOLUTION #160-05-24-06**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF JAMESBURG APPROVING PAYMENT CERTIFICATE #3 FOR THE VETERANS' PARK UPGRADE PROJECT

**WHEREAS**, THE CONTRACTOR, BIG DADDY CONSTRUCTION, INC., HAS SUBMITTED AS-BUILT QUANTITIES FOR THE VETERANS' PARK UPGRADE PROJECT; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE ENGINEER HAS REVIEWED SAID QUANTITIES AND IS IN AGREEMENT WITH SAME; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE ENGINEER RECOMMENDS THE APPROVAL OF PAYMENT CERTIFICATE #3, DATED MAY 15, 2006, IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE DOLLARS AND FORTY-NINE CENTS (\$39,935.49).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF JAMESBURG THAT PAYMENT CERTIFICATE #3, IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE DOLLARS AND FORTY-NINE CENTS (\$39,935.49) IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED FOR PAYMENT TO BIG DADDY CONSTRUCTION, INC.

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CARPENTER		X	X			
JENNINGS			X			
KOSTBAR						X
LONGO			X			

MALONEY			X			
MORALES	X		X			
MAYOR LAMANTIA						

**RESOLUTION #161-05-24-06**

APPROVE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

**WHEREAS**, THE CHIEF MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICER HAS CERTIFIED AND SUBMITTED A CONSOLIDATED BILL LIST FOR THE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS; AND

**WHEREAS**, ALL VOUCHERS LISTED HERewith HAVE BEEN ENCUMBERED AND SUFFICIENT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PAYMENT; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE REQUIRED SIGNATURES OF THE DEPARTMENT HEAD OR COMMITTEE CHAIR, THE FINANCE CHAIRPERSON, THE VENDOR, AND THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER , HAVE ALL BEEN OBTAINED ON EACH VOUCHER PRESENTED ON THE ATTACHED LIST.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF JAMESBURG, THAT THE VOUCHER LIST SUBMITTED IS HEREBY APPROVED FOR PAYMENT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$65,344.20

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CARPENTER			X			
JENNINGS			X			
KOSTBAR						X
LONGO	X		X			
MALONEY			X			
MORALES		X	X			
MAYOR LAMANTIA						

**COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Council member Carpenter reported on the trip held for the D.A.R.E. program graduates, Board of Education events, the Jamesburg Civic Association's upcoming circus and the Patriotic Committee's final preparations for the Memorial Day parade. Council member Carpenter also stated that she will not be able to be at the ensuing Council meeting, as she will be presenting awards to eight grade graduates from the Library Board of Trustees.

**POLICE COMMITTEE**

Police Commissioner Jennings had no report

**FINANCE AND BUDGETING COMMITTEE**

Council member Kostbar was absent.

**PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE & HOLIDAY EVENTS COMMITTEE**

Council member Longo reported that personnel evaluations are prepared this time each year. Also reported that the dinner dance held as a fund-raiser for the Deacon's food pantry was a great success and Council member Longo thanked all that helped. The Land Use Board application for a major subdivision that called for the razing of the historic Davison House has been changed to preserve the house and possibly the large tree on the property as well. Also reported that 35 units will be marching in the Memorial Day parade and thanked those who gave donations to make the parade successful.

**BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND PARKS COMMITTEE & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

Council member Maloney reported that the construction of a handicapped bathroom at the Buckelew House is near complete. The Eagle Scouts greatly assisted the Historical Association by performing a clean up of the Buckelew House property. Also reported that the legislation has been passed regarding the Statewide franchise for cable television.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Council member Morales had no report.

Engineer Dittenhofer reported that the Veterans' Park upgrade project is very near completion. Bids are being prepared for the Sherman and Sheridan Streets Reconstruction.

Mayor LaMantia reported that Keep Middlesex Moving held a meeting that he attended at the Forsgate Country Club. A \$2,500 check was to be presented to the Borough for flashing school signs but instead the amount given was \$5,300, enabling the purchase of two signs for the safety of children walking to

school. National Missing Children's Day, will be held May 25 from noon the 8:00pm at the Jamesburg Firehouse on West Railroad Avenue. The Sheriff's Department Car seat trailer and the Fire Prevention Truck will be in attendance at the event. The Mayor stated that he also will not be able to be present at the ensuing Council meeting as he will be presenting the Mayor Tonkery award at the eighth grade awards ceremony.

**DISCUSSION:**

**Park & Ride**

Council member Carpenter reported that Borough representatives have been working with N.J. Transit and the N.J.D.O.T. who have expressed interest in placing a Park-and-Ride within the Borough, at no cost to the Borough. This is the very beginning of the process and if it comes to fruition, the Borough could possible see some revenue from the lot.

**John Street One-Way Traffic Flow**

Denise Jawidzik requested that this matter be tabled to the meeting of June 28. So agreed.

**Members of the public wishing to address the Mayor and Borough Council must approach the podium and state their name and address for the record. There is a five (5) minute time limit for all comments and questions.**

**MOTION TO OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENT:**

PROPOSED BY: Morales

SECONDED BY: Longo

ALL IN FAVOR: Carpenter, Jennings, Longo, Maloney, Morales.

ABSENT: Kostbar

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No members of the public wished to be heard at this time.

**MOTION TO CLOSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT:**

PROPOSED BY: Jennings

SECONDED BY: Longo

ALL IN FAVOR: Carpenter, Jennings, Longo, Maloney, Morales.

ABSENT: Kostbar

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

PROPOSED BY: Maloney

SECONDED BY: Carpenter

ALL IN FAVOR: Carpenter, Jennings, Longo, Maloney, Morales.

ABSENT: Kostbar

**TIME OF ADJOURNMENT:**                    7:18 PM