

**BOROUGH OF JAMESBURG
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
NOVEMBER 9, 2011
7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Anthony LaMantia called the meeting to order and announce that same is being held pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act of 1974 and that all provisions of the Act have been met. Any contracts awarded require the contractor to comply with N.J.S.A.10:5-31 et.seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27. Also, in the event of a fire and pursuant to the N.J. Uniform Fire Code, 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: Mayor LaMantia - Present
Council President Kostbar - Present
Council Member Busco - Present
Council Member Carpenter - Present
Council Member Deans - Absent
Council Member Ludas - Present
Council Member Newton - Present
Administrator Jawidzik - Absent
Borough Attorney Youssouf - Absent

1ST PUBLIC HEARING – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY – EXCLUDES ORDINANCES (they have their own public hearing): 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 PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Proposed By: Council Member Newton
Seconded By: Council Member Ludas
All in favor.

No Public Comment.

MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Proposed By: Council President Kostbar
Seconded By: Council Member Carpenter
All in favor.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING BY TITLE (Public Hearing set for December 21, 2011)

ORDINANCE #21-11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF JAMESBURG AMENDING ORDINANCE #12-11 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND ESTABLISHING SALARY AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICES, POSITIONS, AND EMPLOYEES IN THE BOROUGH OF JAMESBURG, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

COUNCIL MEMBER	MOTION to INTRODUCE	2nd	VOTE
Council President Kostbar	X		X
Council Member Busco			X
Council Member Carpenter			X
Council Member Deans			AB
Council Member Ludas			X
Council Member Newton		X	X

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed on the consent agenda were considered as one vote by the Borough Council and were enacted by one motion. There was no discussion of these items.

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS:

- #192-11-09-11** Accept Minutes of October 12, 2011
- #202-11-09-11** Accept Executive Session Minutes of October 12, 2011
- #193-11-09-11** Approving Payment of Vouchers
- #194-11-09-11** Accepting Monthly Reports
- #195-11-09-11** Return of Premium on a Tax Sale Certificate
- #196-11-09-11** Redemption of Tax Lien
- #197-11-09-11** Cancellation of Taxes – Disabled Veteran

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	VOTE
Council President Kostbar	X		X
Council Member Busco			X
Council Member Carpenter			X
Council Member Deans			AB
Council Member Ludas		X	X
Council Member Newton			X

NON-CONSENT RESOLUTIONS:

- #198-11-09-11 Authorize Change Order and Certificate Payment – West Railroad Project

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	VOTE
Council President Kostbar			X
Council Member Busco	X		X
Council Member Carpenter		X	X
Council Member Deans			AB
Council Member Ludas			X
Council Member Newton			X

- #199-11-09-11 Shared Services Agreement – Middlesex County Department of Health – Public Health Services

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	VOTE
Council President Kostbar			X
Council Member Busco		X	X
Council Member Carpenter			X
Council Member Deans			AB
Council Member Ludas	X		X
Council Member Newton			X

#200-11-09-11

Appoint Part-time Dispatcher – Galway

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	VOTE
Council President Kostbar	X		X
Council Member Busco			X
Council Member Carpenter			X
Council Member Deans			AB
Council Member Ludas		X	X
Council Member Newton			X

#201-11-09-11

Appoint Fire Inspector - Lebrun

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	VOTE
Council President Kostbar	X		X
Council Member Busco			X
Council Member Carpenter		X	X
Council Member Deans			AB
Council Member Ludas			X
Council Member Newton			X

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Ethics Committee – Council President Kostbar reported that a recent newspaper article regarding the Ethics Committee has created new interest in the committee. Mayor LaMantia suggested interested parties contact the Borough, express their interest, and leave their contact information. Mayor LaMantia asked a representative from the Cranbury Press who was in attendance at the meeting to note this in the next issue.

COUNCILMATIC COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- COMMITTEES ON FINANCE/GRANTS and INFRASTRUCTURE
Council President Kostbar

Council President Kostbar reported that the committee intended on meeting in the near future to discuss the budget.

- POLICE COMMITTEE/COMMISSIONER and COMMITTEE ON ETHICS
Council Member Deans

In Ms. Deans absence, Council President Kostbar reported that the police will be taking receipt of a new vehicle that was recently leased and that an SUV will be needed next year. Further, the police possess thirteen (13) firearms that are nearing the end of their useful life and will need to be replaced in 2012; recommendations will be forthcoming. Council President Kostbar congratulated those who were recently elected to office.

- COMMITTEES ON PERSONNEL/POLICY
Council Member Newton

Council Member Newton noted that he will be discussing the topic of Police Contract Negotiations during the Executive Session portion of the meeting.

- **COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS and BUILDING/GROUNDS**
Council Member Busco

Council Member Busco reported on the weekly lawn/leaf maintenance and recycling; the snow removal efforts after the October 29th storm; and the Fall Festival set-up and clean-up. Further, Mr. Busco reported on the recent South Central Middlesex County Flood Control Commission meeting which included recognition of Jamesburg on its comprehensive reporting. Mr. Busco applauded Administrator Jawidzik's efforts.

- **COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EVENTS**
Council Member Carpenter

Council Member Carpenter congratulated Mayor Elect Lowande and Council Members Elect Taylor and Ludas and acknowledged Mr. Darren Larson's efforts during the campaign. Ms. Carpenter reported on the success of the Fall Festival acknowledging the efforts of the Mayor, Jennie and Daria Ludas, Chief Horvath and his team, Century 21, ReMax Realty, Allegiance Landscaping, Jamesburg Hardware, Northeastern Lumber, the Jamesburg Elks, Jamesburg Fire Department and all those who helped make the event a success. Ms. Carpenter announced the upcoming Veteran's Day Ceremony and Tree Lighting Ceremony. In the report on the Library, Ms. Carpenter updated the Governing Body and public on the pre-school story time program, the Friends of the Public Library's annual membership drive and fund raising efforts; and announced a new program featuring a certified therapy dog.

Council Member Newton commended Ms. Carpenter on her efforts with the Fall Festival.

- **COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, COMMITTEE ON SAFETY and BUSINESS OUTREACH LIAISON**
Council Member Ludas

Council Member Ludas reported on activities associated with the send/receive districts situation; a recent Achievement Study; a report on Violence/Vandalism now available on the school's website; a Legion representative's talk with students on the importance of Election Day and Veterans Day; and an overview of various events being held at the school. Reporting on safety, Ms. Ludas announced that the Fire Department awarded a contract for a new truck that will arrive next month. Ms. Ludas also commended Ms. Jawidzik for her efforts on the Flood Control Commission report and Council Member Carpenter for the success of the Fall Festival. Ms. Ludas also congratulated Mayor Elect Lowande and Council Member Elect Taylor and thanked the voters of Jamesburg for their support noting that it was an honor to serve on the Jamesburg Council

- **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**
Denise Jawidzik

No report.

- **MAYOR'S REPORT**
Mayor Anthony LaMantia

Mayor LaMantia congratulated Council Member Carpenter on the success of the Fall Festival; reiterated the importance of Jamesburg being recognized for its comprehensive reporting at the Flood Control Commission meeting; gave an update on the Costco/Gatzmer flood prevention efforts; gave a summary of the Fire Prevention Week activities; and reported that he is in contact with the Borough Attorney regarding reviewing the Animal Control Contract. Mayor LaMantia congratulated the candidates in the recent election and the newly elected officials.

2nd PUBLIC HEARING – NON-AGENDA ITEMS: 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: Council Member Newton
Seconded By: Council Member Carpenter
All in favor.

A local teenager addressed the Governing Body requesting assistance in raising money for a skate park. Mayor LaMantia applauded the youths' efforts and offered whatever assistance the Governing Body could give.

Mr. Tom Van de Sande - 2 Fernwood Lane – Mr. Van de Sande commented on the lack of budgeted funds for recreation; asked about the list of names on the door relating to the upcoming tax sale; asked about the projected amount of sewer tax; and inquired about the work being done on West Railroad Avenue. Mayor LaMantia addressed all of his questions.

A local teenager addressed the Governing Body requesting assistance in establishing a Japanese Culture Club. Mayor LaMantia offered the Governing Body's support and applauded the youths' efforts in getting involved in the community. Mayor LaMantia also suggested the youths attend a School Board meeting.

MOTION TO CLOSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT:

Proposed By: Council President Kostbar
Seconded By: Council Member Newton
All in favor.

#203-11-09-11

Executive Session – Police Contract

COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	VOTE
Council President Kostbar	X		X
Council Member Busco			X
Council Member Carpenter		X	X
Council Member Deans			AB
Council Member Ludas			X
Council Member Newton			X

MOTION TO OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Proposed By: Council Member Newton
Seconded By: Council Member Carpenter
All in favor.

MOTION TO CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Proposed By: Council President Kostbar
Seconded By: Council Member Newton
All in favor.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Proposed By: Council Member Carpenter
Seconded By: Council Member Ludas

TIME OF ADJOURNMENT: 7:54 PM