

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

7:30 PM, TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 1995

The meeting was opened by Mayor Fasanello who read the following statement: "This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Law in that the requirements of the law have been met with the posting of the meeting notice on the Municipal Bulletin Board, filed with the Borough Clerk, and forwarded to the Bound Brook Chronicle, the Courier-News, the Home News and the Star-Ledger on January 3, 1995."

A prayer was offered by the Clerk-Administrator followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Fasanello, C. Pres. Bruno, C. Pournaras, C. Nerger, C. Richardson, C. Higginbottom, C. Custy

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Custy, second by Richardson and unanimously approved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Special Meeting of February 28, 1995.

Motion by Richardson, second by Custy and unanimously approved the minutes of the Special Meeting of February 28, 1995.

Motion by Custy, second by Nerger and unanimously approved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 14, 1995.

Motion by Custy, second by Richardson and unanimously approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 14, 1995.

Motion by Custy, second by Nerger and unanimously approved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Special Meeting of April 4, 1995.

Motion by Richardson, second by Nerger and unanimously approved the minutes of the Special Meeting of April 4, 1995.

GREETINGS OF THE PUBLIC AND INVITATION FOR DISCUSSION:

Ben Silverwater, Bound Brook High School Teacher, spoke in behalf of the staff at Bound Brook High School opposing parking restrictions on Maple Avenue near the high school for street sweeping.

Mike Colalillo, 308 Codrington Place, was sad to see Main Street virtually empty at 10:30 this morning due to the bank being closes. Questioned who has jurisdiction over the tree in Van Horn Plaza. Questioned money savings associated with proposed vehicle use ordinance.

Mark Awtry, Assistant Fire Chief, questioned Councilman Richardson's position as a fireman and fire commissioner.

Pamela Weeks, 238 West Franklin Street and member of the Rescue Squad, stated that Councilman Richardson has never been to a Rescue Squad function.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Higginbottom questioned the procedure used last month to change the by-laws.

Bruno - Economic Development, Public Relations - The movie theater has been leased by a new manager. It is in the best interests of Main Street to keep it a single screen theater.

Pournaras - Negotiations - No report.

Nerger - Public Works, Buildings, Grounds & Utilities - The Board of Education Budget Committee recommended \$400,000 of adjustments to the Board of Education for their budget. Councilwoman Pournaras recommended another \$50,000. They accepted Pournaras' \$50,000 and a fraction of their \$400,000. The Green Brook Flood Control Commission is trying to wrap up a proposal for Bound Brook. They would like to meet with the Mayor and Council on April 25. Suggested changing the Workshop Meeting from April 18 to April 25. Consensus was to keep April 18 as regular Workshop Meeting and have a Special Workshop meeting with them at 7:00 PM on April 25. the Shade Tree Commission did recommend that we try to save the tree at Van Horn Plaza. However Council has disagreed and is requesting permission from NJ Transit to take the tree down. He has reviewed public works equipment. We have temporarily lost Tom Dermody to the inspection team.

Richardson - Public Safety - The Fire Prevention office has asked if they can buy their vehicle from the borough. We have received a letter from the PBA requesting contract negotiations and not use attorneys. The police department issued 619 summonses last month.

Higginbottom - Parks & Recreation - Plans are underway for the Memorial Day Parade to begin at 10:00 AM at the library. Desperately seeking more World War II veterans to serve as Grand Marshals. The Recreation Spring programs are underway.

Custy - Administration, Personnel, Finance - We are in the process of interviewing candidates for the position of Deputy Court Administrator. The committee is also working on a personnel policy.

Mayor Fasanello - Bound Brook will be receiving the most in Community Development Block Grant Funding again this year. Read a letter from the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office commending the efforts of Patrolman Patullo during his special assignment to their office. Read a proclamation proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Bound Brook.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

95-6 - Allowing outdoor tables at restaurants.

Motion to introduce and set public hearing for 7:30 PM on May 9, 1995 by Custy; second by Higginbottom; unanimous.

95-7 - Vehicle and other borough property use.

Motion to introduce and set public hearing for 7:30 PM on May 9, 1995 by Nerger; second by Bruno.

Roll Call: Aye - Bruno, Nerger, Richardson, Custy
No - Pournaras, Higginbottom

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING, FINAL READING AND CONSIDERATION:

95-4 - Increase rooming house fees.

Motion to open the public hearing by Richardson; second by Higginbottom; unanimous.

Motion to close the public hearing by Custy; second by Richardson; unanimous

Motion to adopt Ordinance 95-4 by Pournaras; second by Bruno.

Roll Call: Aye - Bruno, Pournaras, Nerger, Richardson, Higginbottom, Custy

95-5 - Registration of multifamily dwelling units and apartments.

Motion to open the public hearing by Bruno; second by Pournaras; unanimous.

Joe Greco, 609 Hayward Street, questioned the scope of this ordinance.

Motion to close the public hearing by Bruno; second by Pournaras; unanimous.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 95-4 by Pournaras; second by Nerger.

Roll Call: Aye - Bruno, Pournaras, Nerger, Richardson, Higginbottom, Custy

RESOLUTIONS:

95-34 - Cancel to surplus \$25,251.57 balance in Refuse Trust Fund.

Motion: Bruno; Second: Richardson; Unanimous.

95-35 - Chapter 159: \$8,103 Clean Communities Grant.

Motion: Pournaras; Second: Richardson; Unanimous

95-36 - Accept resignation of Corinne Sliker as Deputy Court Administrator.

Motion: Richardson; Second: Custy; Unanimous.

95-37 - Appoint Donna Godleski as Deputy Borough Clerk effective May 1, 1995.

Motion: Pournaras; Second: Richardson; Unanimous.

95-38 - 1995 salary resolution.

Motion: Custy; Second: Higginbottom

Motion to table: Bruno; Second: Richardson

Roll Call: Aye - Bruno, Nerger, Richardson

No - Higginbottom, Custy

Abstain - Pournaras

Motion to remove from table: Pournaras; Second: Higginbottom

Roll Call: Aye - Pournaras, Nerger, Higginbottom, Fasanello

No - Bruno, Richardson, Custy

Motion to table: Nerger; Second: Bruno

Roll Call: Aye - Bruno, Nerger

No - Pournaras, Richardson, Higginbottom Custy

Roll call on original motion to adopt resolution 95-38

Aye - Pournaras, Richardson, Higginbottom, Custy

No - Bruno, Nerger

PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, ETC.:

Monthly Departmental Reports - Motion: Richardson; Second: Higginbottom; Unanimous.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Motion by Richardson; second by Nerger to approve revisions to the 1995 Borough By-laws.

Roll Call: Aye - Bruno, Pournaras, Nerger, Richardson, Custy

No - Higginbottom

NEW BUSINESS:

Richardson - Hose Company #1 has asked permission to use public works equipment to be operated by public works employees who are also firemen after working hours to do work on their fire house. Motion to approve: Richardson; Second: Nerger; Unanimous.

Pournaras - Questioned reasons for new council committee assignments.

Fasanello - Appointed Emily Fabiano to the Library Board of Trustees and Sigrid Mueller as alternate #1 to the Planning Board.

APPROVALS:

Volunteer Fireman Applications from William R. Agans and Jennifer A. Dietrich for Hose Company #1 and Joseph Lukac, Jr. for Watchung Fire Company #3.

Motion: Custy; Second: Richardson; Unanimous.

Vouchers - Motion: Richardson; Second: Nerger; Unanimous

OPENING OF THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC ON AGENDIZED ITEMS ONLY

Jean Mangino, 338 West Maple Avenue, questioned status of the Tea Street property. Stated that senior citizens do not need help with garbage stickers. They can take care of themselves.

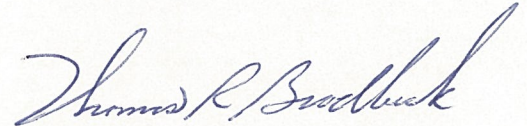
Tom Murray, 33 Fisher Avenue, presented Mayor and Council with a copy of his letter dated March 17, 1992 requesting the reconstruction of Fisher Avenue

Joe Greco, 609 Hayward Street, questioned what was being torn up on Vosseller Avenue.

George Seabolt, Fire Chief, stated that Councilwoman Pournaras did a good job as fire commissioner. Questioned the effect of Ordinance 95-7 on the use of fire vehicles in parades.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Richardson; Second: Nerger; Unanimous

Time: 9:30 PM



Thomas R. Brodbeck
Borough Clerk-Administrator