

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MINUTES SEPTEMBER 4, 2007

ATTENDANCE:

Councilman Kelly
Councilwoman Riley
Councilman Salvatore
Councilman Thompson
Pres. Spence
Mayor Begley

CALLED TO ORDER: Pres. Spence
INVOCATION: Mun. Clerk Richmond

TOPICS:

Agenda – Clerk stated no items to be added to the agenda for tonight but pointed out change that a Resolution recognizing Anthony Rafferty would be adopted and after which would be presented to him by Pres. Spence.

Resolution – Mun. Solicitor submitted a Resolution for next Council meeting regarding BEAA assets to be accepted by the City.

Other Items – Clerk presented the following items for direction/information:
Advised Council of services being held on 9/11/07 at the boat ramp at 8:45 a.m.
for 9-11 .

Resolution requested for agreement with McManimon & Scotland, LLC

Resolution authorizing foreclosure personam of tax sale certificate -336 Bank Street
placed on September 18 meeting.

Ordinance 1st Reading taxicab rate increase – will be prepared for September 18 Meeting

El Rodeo Alcoholic Beverage License- Council waiting for security plan.

Petitions opposing Ord. 07-9 – Clerk announced she received approximately 476 signatures in her office today from Litwack & Kernan, Robert C. Litwack.

Council Remarks/Concerns

Councilman Kelly requested that a 60 day moratorium regarding tickets issued for those parking on lawns/yards be enacted or warning be issued first especially for senior citizens. Discussion concerning the request was entered into as a result an amendment to the ordinance was agreed upon with a warning first and increased fine for each offense thereafter.

Councilman Kelly – brought to Council’s attention the decision concerning continuing the summer schedule after discussion it was agreed to think about it further and discuss again at September 11, 2007 Work Session.

Councilman Kelly- Mentioned article in Star Ledge regarding moving sex offenders to South Jersey Prison and asked if possible a referendum concerning this could be placed on General Election Ballot. The Municipal Solicitor was asked to investigate the possibility.

Councilwoman Riley asked about the budget, Administrator Liston was not present to respond.

Solicitor Baker reported on the Ordinance regarding Vacating Pine Street and Conveying land to County which is on tonight. The County has informed him that it was not possible at this time to continue Pine Street to Mill Street.

PUBLIC PORTION

Upon motion by Mr. Kelly and second by Ms. Riley to open the Work Session to the public for any one desiring to be heard, which motion was carried.

Mr. Michael Zapolski, West Park Avenue, commented on parking.

Mr. Robert Thompson, North Pearl Street, pointed out that code official cars are parked on the grass behind City Hall.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Kelly and second by Mr. Thompson to close the public portion of the Work Session which motion was carried.

Pres. Spence closed the public portion of the Work Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Upon motion by Mr. Thompson and second by Ms. Riley RESOLUTION NO. 72-07, authorizing an executive session, to discuss contract and real estate, which motion was carried. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

There being no further items of discussion to come before Council at this time, it was duly moved and second to adjourn the Work Session which motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Approved:

_____ Council President William D. Spence Date: _____