



MINUTES
BOROUGH OF EMERSON
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 3, 2011
4:00 P.M.

Borough Hall-Council Chambers
Emerson, NJ 07630



Mayor Colina called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. and identified the emergency exits. He asked the assembled to join him in the pledge of allegiance and asked everyone for a moment of silence, good thought as they proceeded with a very important matter to the town, that they gave it their best effort and come up with the proper solution at that point in time.

O.P.M.A. Statement

Mayor Colina read the Sunshine Statement announcing that the Special Meeting of November 3, 2011 had been duly noticed and was in compliance to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law, transmitted to The Record and Ridgewood News, the official newspapers of the Borough of Emerson, posted on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall, Municipal Place, Emerson, NJ 07630 and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. A copy of this notice is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk and has been available to the public.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:

Mayor Colina, Councilwoman DiPaola, Councilwoman Garis, Councilman Lazar, Council President Shaw

ABSENT:

Councilman Browne, Councilman Rivers

Also present were Borough Clerk Carol Dray, Borough Attorney Scott Mooney, and Borough Administrator Joseph Scarpa.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Hillman Field Sub-Committee Final Findings and Recommendations for Remedial Repair to Hillman Field

Mayor Colina explained that they were there to discuss the final findings and recommendations of the Hillman Field Subcommittee. Council President Shaw stated they had met at 12 noon that day. In attendance were himself, Mr. Scarpa, Ms. Jill Dunican, Mr. Bob Buono of Tri-State Sports, DPW Superintendent Joe Solimando, Mr. Jim Fordham of Boswell Engineering, and Councilman John Lazar. They discussed the engineer's requirements to evaluate the proposed project from Tri-State Sports. He referenced a proposed expense of \$8,000 for borings and surveying and noted that Mr. Fordham said that a survey was not required and did not recommend it. He said that that opinion was uniformly accepted by the people in attendance. Therefore the potential expenditures would be reduced from \$8,000 to a maximum of \$3,000. He said that the need for borings was discussed. Mr. Buono said that in his opinion it was not necessary. Mr. Fordham said that it was necessary in his opinion because it would determine permeability and composition as well as the location of the applicable water table. Mr. Solimando and Mr. Fordham recommended the boring. Therefore they

unanimously recommended agreed that boring should be done. He estimated the cost at around \$2,000, with a cap of \$3,000. Councilman Shaw said they were there to determine if Boswell Engineering should send out the RFQ to solicit borings based on those specifications to determine permeability and composition and ground water location at Hillman Field for up to \$3,000.

☞ **Motion** to allow Boswell Engineering to prepare the RFQ for borings consistent with the limited scope of determining the above permeability, composition, and ground water location not to exceed \$3,000 with the contingency that the results be received in sufficient time to allow the Governing Body to review the report prior to the meeting of November 22nd was **moved** by Council President Shaw, **seconded** by Councilman Lazar and carried by roll call vote.

RC: Council members:

YES: DiPaola, Shaw, Garis, Lazar

☞ **Motion** to authorize the Borough Administrator to instruct Boswell Engineering to prepare the Request for Qualifications for the scope of work that Tri-State Sports was proposing for the purpose of formal competitive bidding and receipt of bids on or before November 21st was moved by Council President Shaw, seconded by Councilwoman DiPaola.

RC: Council members:

YES: DiPaola, Shaw, Garis, Lazar

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Before opening the meeting for comments from the public, Mayor Colina reminded everyone to turn off their cell phones, keep their comments as brief as possible and try to limit them only to governmental issues of concern to an Emerson resident. He further requested that if a subject matter was addressed and answered, to please refrain from repeating it unless they had something new to contribute. A five-minute rule was in effect for each speaker at the discretion of the Council. Mayor Colina asked that everyone do their part to be civil, to the point and respectful of another's point of view and opinion. He further warned that speaking out without recognition would not be tolerated and a second warning could result in removal from the Council Chambers.

☞ **Motion** to open the meeting for comments from the public was **moved** by Councilwoman DiPaola, **seconded** by Councilwoman Garis and carried.

Seeing no hands, Mayor Colina asked for a motion to close the meeting to comments from the public.

☞ **Motion** to close the meeting for comments from the public was **moved** by Councilman Lazar, **seconded** by Councilwoman DiPaola and carried.

V. RESOLUTIONS ON CONSENT AGENDA NO. 194-11

☞ **Motion** to approve Consent Agenda Resolution #194-11 was **moved** by Councilwoman DiPaola, **seconded** by Council President Shaw and carried by roll call vote.

RC: Council members:

YES: DiPaola, Shaw, Garis, Lazar

Ca 192-11 Approve Transfer of Funds

VI. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to address, at the request of Mayor Colina, a motion to adjourn was **moved** by Councilman Browne, **seconded** by Councilman Rivers and carried at 4:18 p.m.

Carol Dray, RMC/CMC/CMR
(Proofed 01/31/12)

December 5, 2011