



MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
BOROUGH OF EMERSON
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
APRIL 19, 2010
4:00 p.m.
Borough Hall-Council Chambers
Emerson, NJ 07630



I. Call to Order

Mayor Lamatina called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm. Tax Assistant Barbara Looney led the salute to the flag followed by a moment of silence at the request of Mayor Lamatina.

O.P.M.A. Statement

Mayor Lamatina read the Sunshine Statement announcing that the Special Meeting of April 19, 2010 had been duly noticed and was in compliance to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. Further, that notice had been emailed on April 16th, 2010 to the Record and Ridgewood News; posted on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall, Municipal Place, Emerson, NJ 07630 and had 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:

Mayor Louis J. Lamatina-Present
Councilman Steven Bair –Absent
Councilman Browne – Present
Councilman Hoffman – Present
Council President Lazar- Present
Councilman Rivers – Present
Councilman Shaw – Absent

Also present were Borough Clerk Carol Dray, Joseph Voytus, Esq. substituting for Borough Attorney Phil Boggia, and Business Administrator Joseph Scarpa.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Resolution 83-10 Authorizing Participation and Enrollment in the State Health Benefit Program

☛ **Motion** to authorize the change in the employee group health benefit plan from private third party Aetna Plan to participation and enrollment in the State Health Benefit Program with agreement from the Police Department and the Department of Public Works effective August 1, 2010 was **moved** by Councilman Rivers, **seconded** by Council President Lazar and carried by roll call vote.

RC: Council members:

Browne-Yes
Rivers-Yes
Lazar-Yes
Hoffman-Yes

II. NEW BUSINESS:

a) Resolution 88-10 2009 Recycling Tonnage Grant Report

☞ **Motion** to approve Resolution #88-10, 2009 Recycling Tonnage Grant Report was **moved** by Councilman Hoffman, **seconded** by Councilman Browne and carried by roll call vote.

RC: Council members:

Browne-Yes

Rivers-Yes

Lazar-Yes

Hoffman-Yes

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Before opening the meeting for comments from the public, Mayor Lamatina 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 Lamatina 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 Councilman Hoffman, **seconded** by Councilman Rivers and carried.

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

☞ **Motion** to close the meeting to comments from the public was **moved** by Councilman Hoffman, **seconded** by Councilman Rivers and carried at 4:08 p.m.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to address, at the request of the Mayor, Councilman Hoffman **moved** to adjourn the meeting, **seconded** by Councilman Rivers and carried at 4:08 p.m.

Carol Dray, Borough Clerk
(Proofed 6/24/10)

June 14, 2010