

BOROUGH OF TOTOWA

MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

October 22, 2019

PRESENT: Mayor John Coiro, presiding, Council President Lou D'Angelo, Councilwoman Debra Andriani, Councilman Anthony Picarelli, Councilman William Bucher, Councilman John Capo, Councilwoman Lisa Palazzo, Municipal Clerk Joseph Wassel and Municipal Attorney Kristin Corrado.

ABSENT: None.

Mayor John Coiro called the meeting to order and asked the Municipal Clerk to call the roll.

Mayor Coiro asked for a moment of silence for former Police Officer and School Resource Officer John Sole who passed away recently.

Municipal Clerk Wassel recited the Prayer of the Meeting followed with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag with the public participating.

Mayor Coiro asked the Clerk to read the statement of the meeting.

The Municipal Clerk read the following statement: This meeting of the Mayor and Council held on this day is being held in accordance with Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 of the State of New Jersey as amended. The agenda for this meeting has been prepared and distributed to the Mayor and Council and a copy has been on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Coiro asked if any members of the Council, the Municipal Clerk or the Municipal Attorney wished to address the Council.

Councilman D'Angelo: Congratulated Councilwoman Andriani on the success of the Health Fair.

Councilwoman Andriani: 1) Thanked all involved for the best Health Fair yet, including the DPW, Police Chief Robert Coyle, Recreation Director Mark Monteyne, Public Health Nurse Darlene Walsh and the Library. Mayor Coiro: Also congratulated everyone involved. 2) Announced that on Friday, October 25th, the Board of Recreation will be sponsoring a Trunk-or-Treat from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the parking lot behind the Washington Park School field.

Police Chief Coyle: Remarked that Councilwoman Andriani was a Flag waiver (of the giant American Flag) at the Giants football game this past Sunday.

CITIZENS HEARD:

Mike Mahometa, 269 Lincoln Avenue: 1) Thanked DPW Superintendent Jim Niland for replacing the pine tree at the PAL and also asked for some pin oaks to be planted as well.; 2) Said he is glad to see that Furler Street is paved.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve the Minutes of the Mayor and Council for the meeting of October 8, 2019. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative. Councilwoman Andriani abstained from the voting.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilman D'Angelo to approve Resolution No. 2019-22 for the payment of bills. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilman D'Angelo to adopt the following Resolution Approving Supplement No. 5 To Update The Code. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTION NO. 115-2019

RESOLUTION APPROVING SUPPLEMENT NO. 5 TO UPDATE THE CODE

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:49-4, the ordinances of the Borough of Totowa, which have been adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa, are consolidated into chapters and sections known as the Code of the Borough of Totowa (the "Code"); and

WHEREAS, the Code is periodically updated and supplemented as new Ordinances are adopted and the Code provisions are amended; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Totowa has recommended that the Code be supplemented to include Ordinances adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa from 2013 through 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of The Borough of Totowa desire to authorize this updating of the Code; and

WHEREAS, General Code, 781 Elmgrove Road, Rochester, New York 14624 has submitted a proposal for Supplement No. 5 to the Code which includes 4 years of legislation at a cost not to exceed \$7,640.00; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the applicable New Jersey State laws, this service may be authorized without public bidding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Totowa do hereby authorize Supplement No. 5 to the Code by General Code in the amount of \$7,640.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council of the Borough of Totowa do hereby authorize the Municipal Clerk to execute any and all instruments relating thereof.

There was a motion by Councilman Picarelli, seconded by Councilman D'Angelo to approve payment of the 2019 annual contribution to the Totowa Seniors and the Happy Seniors in the amount of \$2,000.00 each. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

A letter from American Legion Memorial Post No. 227 inviting the Mayor and Council to attend their Veterans Eve Social on Sunday, November 10, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. was received and filed.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY:

Upon the recommendation of the Committee, there was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Capo to appoint Lauri Cato as a School Crossing Guard. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT

I, Mayor John Coiro, with the advice and consent of the Council do hereby appoint Lauri Cato as a School Crossing Guard for a term of one (1) year expiring December 31, 2019.

There was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilman Capo to confirm the appointment. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

A letter from Riverview Park Fire Company, Inc. advising that Donald Warnet, Sr. has been nominated as their candidate for Fire Chief was received and filed.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS:

There was no report.

COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING & PUBLIC PROPERTY:

A letter was received from the Friends of the Totowa Library requesting permission to use the Municipal Parking Lot on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 for a trip to Wind Creek Casino in Bethlehem, PA. There was a motion by Councilman Capo, seconded by Councilwoman Andriani to grant permission. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

COMMITTEE ON LIAISON & INSPECTION:

A letter of resignation was received from Board of Adjustment Commissioner Giovanni D'Ambrosio. There was a motion by Councilwoman Andriani, seconded by Councilman Bucher to accept his resignation and send him a letter of thanks. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION & ORDINANCES:

There was a motion by Councilwoman Palazzo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve the Application For Social Affair Permit from the State Of New Jersey Division Of Alcoholic Beverage Control for the Passaic Valley Elks Lodge #2111 BPOE to be held on November 16, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. – 11:59 p.m. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilwoman Palazzo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve the Application For Social Affair Permit from the State Of New Jersey Division Of Alcoholic Beverage Control for the Passaic Valley Elks Lodge #2111 BPOE to be held on November 23, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. – 11:59 p.m. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilwoman Palazzo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve Raffle License Application Nos. 2179 & 2180 for The Woman's Club of Little Falls for a Tricky Tray and On-Premise 50/50 to be held on November 19, 2019 at The Barnyard and Carriage House. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There was a motion by Councilwoman Palazzo, seconded by Councilman Picarelli to approve Raffle License Application Nos. 2181 & 2182 for the Brookdale HSA, Inc. for a Tricky Tray and On-Premise 50/50 to be held on March 26, 2020 at The Grand. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

There being no further business to come before the Council, there was a motion by Councilman D'Angelo, seconded by Councilwoman Andriani that the meeting be adjourned. On roll call vote, all members of the Council present voted in the affirmative.

Joseph Wassel, RMC
Municipal Clerk