

**NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP |**  
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**REGULAR MEETING**  
**August 3, 2009**

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, August 3, 2009 at 7:07 P.M. in the Municipal Complex located at 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

Mayor Womack called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

Present: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Mr. Socio  
Absent: Messrs. Corbin, Davis and Andrews

Also present: Business Administrator, Robert Lombard, Township Attorney, Ronald Gordon, Asst. Business Administrator, Justine Progebin, Chief Financial Officer, Kala Sriranganathan, Director of Community Development, Michael Hritz, Director of Public Works, Glenn Sandor, Municipal Clerk, Lisa Russo and Deputy Clerk, Milvi Weiner.

Also present: John Kriskowski, CME Associates

Mayor Womack asked everyone if they would turn off their cell phones during the meeting and informed residents there are now devices for the hearing impaired available in the cable studio.

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on January 2, 2009 to the following:

a) The Home News & Tribune b) Star Ledger c) North Brunswick Sentinel

Notice receipts are on file in the Township Clerk's office. Also, notices were posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex and filed in the Clerk's office on January 2, 2009.

Council President Andrews arrives to the dais at 7:08 pm.

Ms. Russo led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Proclamations:**

**"Michael J. Bauer"** – Mayor Womack presented a proclamation to Michael J. Bauer for his outstanding accomplishments in scouting. He has been involved in scouting since the second grade with Boy Scout Troop # 33 out of Milltown. Michael's final Eagle Scout project was to raise funds and to build a pair of wheelchair accessible picnic tables which are located at Babbage Park. Michael will be going to the College of New Jersey in the fall to pursue a degree in mechanical engineering.

**"Over the Limit, Under Arrest"** – Councilman Socio read a proclamation that the State of New Jersey, Division of Highway Traffic Safety has asked law enforcement agencies throughout the state to participate in the "Over the Limit, Under Arrest 2009" campaign. This project will involve increased impaired driving enforcement from August 21 – September 7, 2009.

Mayor Womack asked council members if any items are to be removed from the Consent Agenda. Mayor Womack called for a motion to remove item "q" on the Consent Agenda. He supports the residents' valid concerns keeping in mind with today's economy. Little time – research grants instead of using funds from the capital budget – look to re-introduce in the future. Motion made by Mr. Andrews to approve items "7a – 7p" and "7r – 7x", second by Ms. Nicola.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Socio and Andrews  
Nays: none  
Absent: Mr. Corbin and Mr. Davis

Councilman Corbin arrives to the dais at 7:15 pm.

Consent Agenda:

- a. N.J. State Fireman's Application / Michael Westrol / Fire Co. #1
- b. N.J. State Fireman's Application / Darren Carroll / Fire Co. #1
- c. Authorizing the redemption of a township lien \_\_\_\_\_ 226-8.09
- d. Authorizing the cancellation of balances and credits \_\_\_\_\_ 227-8.09
- e. Authorizing the redemption of various third party liens \_\_\_\_\_ 228-8.09
- f. Authorizing the transfer of \$356,100 in Fiscal Year 2009 Appropriation Reserves to the  
Accumulated Trust Fund \_\_\_\_\_ 229-8.09
- g. Approving transfer between Fiscal Year 2009 Appropriation Reserves \_\_\_\_\_ 230-8.09
- h. Authorizing the transfer of unexpended Fiscal Year 2009 Appropriations to a  
dedicated Snow Removal Trust Fund \_\_\_\_\_ 231-8.09
- i. Authorizing application and acceptance of a County of Middlesex, Cultural and Heritage  
Commission, Heritage Day Grant - \$3,595.00 \_\_\_\_\_ 232-8.09
- j. Awarding a contract BID09010 to Seely Equipment & Supply Co. for 4WD Compact  
Utility Tractor \_\_\_\_\_ 233-8.09
- k. Amending the contract with Konkus Corporation for the rehabilitation of Boyd Ponds  
Project Closeout Change Order (\$35,602.59) \_\_\_\_\_ 234-8.09
- l. Authorizing a memorandum of understanding between the Office of County Counsel  
and the N.B. Township Police Department for participation in the Middlesex  
County Law Enforcement Information Sharing System \_\_\_\_\_ 235-8.09
- m. Authorizing the sale of abandon vehicles \_\_\_\_\_ 236-8.09
- n. Authorizing the advertisement for the Receipt of Bids under the Department of Public  
Works for the following:
  - 1. Electrical Repair Service \_\_\_\_\_ 237-8.09
  - 2. Replacement parts for Automated Truck bodies \_\_\_\_\_ 238-8.09
- o. Authorizing the issuance of Requests for Qualifications for Professional Services  
to the Township of North Brunswick for the following:
  - 1. Township Consulting Architect \_\_\_\_\_ 239-8.09
  - 2. Township Mechanical Engineer \_\_\_\_\_ 240-8.09
- p. Authorizing the Mayor and Township Clerk to execute a Treatment Works approval  
Permit application for the Cascades at North Brunswick Subdivision, Block  
227, Lot 20.01 for a Sanitary Sewer Extension \_\_\_\_\_ 241-8.09
- q. Authorizing the advertisement for Receipt of Bids for a GPS Tracking System \_\_\_\_\_ 242-8.09
- r. Awarding an adjustment for Township residents \_\_\_\_\_ 243-8.09
- s. Authorizing the approval of Change Order No. 4 to Stone Hill Contracting Co. Inc.  
for upgrades to the Water Treatment Plant \_\_\_\_\_ 244-8.09
- t. Approving and providing notice on the public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget \_\_\_\_\_ 245-8.09
- u. Authorizing the renewal of Liquor License for the 2009-2010 term for the following:
  - 1. License No. 1215-33-002-006 (Unlimited Entertainment) \_\_\_\_\_ 246-8.09
  - 2. License No. 1215-36-026-003 (Ramada Inn & Conference Center) \_\_\_\_\_ 247-8.09
- v. Authorizing the advertisement for Receipt of Bids for remediation of Sabella Preschool  
outside play area \_\_\_\_\_ 248-8.09
- w. Authorizing execution of an agreement with International Fireworks Mfg. Co., Inc.  
for Heritage Day Fireworks Display \_\_\_\_\_ 249-8.09
- x. Payment of Bills \_\_\_\_\_ 250-8.09

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve item # 7 on the Agenda. Approval of minutes: Special Council Meeting / June 29, 2009 and Regular Council Meeting / July 6, 2009. So moved by Mr. Socio, second by Mrs. Lyles.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Andrews  
Nays: none  
Absent: Mr. Davis

Mayor Womack administered the Oath of Office to Sergeant Wayne DeGaetano and Lieutenant Joe Mazza.

Mayor Womack presented a proclamation to Deputy Chief Joe Battaglia who arrived late to the meeting due to traffic. There was a fatal shooting on May 7, 2009 at the Hearthwood Apartments. Deputy Chief Joe Battaglia located the suspects vehicle which was the beginning of a dangerous vehicular chase through North Brunswick, East Brunswick and Edison. Deputy Chief Battaglia's exceptional courage and decisiveness, regardless of his own personal safety led the recovery of the murder weapon and the arrest of both suspects.

Recess – 7:23 pm

Resume – 7:25 pm

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**Public Hearing: Authorizing the Private Improvements Performance Bond Reduction for Absolute Property Management, LLC.**

Mayor Womack opened the public hearing. No comments from the public. Motion made by Mrs. Lyles, second by Mr. Andrews to close the public hearing.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Mr. Andrews**  
**Nays: none**  
**Absent: Mr. Davis**

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve Resolution # 251-8.09– “Authorizing the Private Improvements Performance Bond Reduction for Absolute Property Management, LLC.” . So moved by Mr. Socio, second by Mr. Andrews.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Socio and Mr. Andrews**  
**Nays: none**  
**Absent: Mr. Davis, Mr. Corbin (not on dais)**

**Ordinance / First Reading / Introduction:**

**#09-15 – An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 205 “Land Use”, Article XXIV, “Off-Street Parking and Loading”, Section 205-99, “Off Street Parking for Residential Districts” of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick**

Mayor Womack called for a motion to introduce *Ordinance No. 09-15*. So moved by Mr. Socio, second by Ms. Nicola, second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on September 8, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey following legal publication in the August 6, 2009 issue of the Home News and Tribune as according to law. This Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex and copies are available upon request.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Mr. Andrews**  
**Nays: none**  
**Absent: Mr. Davis**

**#09-16 - Bond Ordinance providing for Capital Improvements for and by the Township of North Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, appropriating the aggregate amount of \$3,500,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$3,325,000 in Bonds or Notes to the Township to finance part of the cost thereof**

Mayor Womack called for a motion to introduce *Ordinance No. 09-16*. So moved by Mr. Andrews, second by Mr. Socio, second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on September 8, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey following legal publication in the August 6, 2009 issue of the Home News and Tribune as according to law. This Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex and copies are available upon request.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Mr. Andrews**  
**Nays: none**  
**Absent: Mr. Davis**

**#09-17 - Bond Ordinance providing for improvements of the Sewer Distribution System in and by the Township of North Brunswick, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, appropriating \$1,200,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$1,200,000 bonds or notes of the Township for financing the cost thereof**

Mayor Womack called for a motion to introduce *Ordinance No. 09-17*. So moved by Mr. Andrews, second by Ms. Nicola, second reading and public hearing to be held at a regular meeting on September 8, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Complex, 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey following legal publication in the August 6, 2009 issue of the Home News and Tribune as according to law. This Ordinance is posted in the Municipal Complex and copies are available upon request.

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Mr. Andrews**  
**Nays: none**

Absent: Mr. Davis

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**Ordinance / Second Reading / Public Hearing:**

**#09-11 – An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 238, “Peace and Good Order” to create and establish a new Article V, “Drug Free School Zones” and a new Article VI, “Drug Free Public Property Zones”**

Mayor Womack opened the public hearing on Ordinance #09-11. Mr. Gordon explained that this ordinance would adopt two maps, “Drug Free School Zones” and “Drug Free Public Property Zones” – enhanced penalties where areas are located.

Motion made by Mr. Socio, second by Ms. Nicola that the public hearing be closed.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Andrews  
Nays: none  
Absent: Mr. Davis

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt Ordinance # 09-11. So moved by Mrs. Lyles, second by Mr. Andrews, Ordinance No. 09-11 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the August 6, 2009 issue of the Home News and Tribune.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Andrews  
Nays: none  
Absent: Mr. Davis

**#09-12 - An Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 106 of the Code of the Township of North Brunswick entitled “Alcoholic Beverages”, Section 106-4 “Fees; Prerequisites to issuance of Licenses”, to increase the fees for Liquor Licenses**

Mayor Womack opened the public hearing on Ordinance #09-12. No comments from the public. Motion made by Mr. Andrews, second by Mr. Socio that the public hearing be closed.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Andrews  
Nays: none  
Absent: Mr. Davis

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt Ordinance # 09-12. So moved by Mr. Socio, second by Ms. Nicola, Ordinance No. 09-12 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the August 6, 2009 issue of the Home News and Tribune.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Andrews  
Nays: none  
Absent: Mr. Davis

**#09-13 – An Ordinance authorizing amendment to Chapter 14 of the Township Code pertaining to the Municipal Court**

Mr. Gordon explained that this ordinance would increase the amount of sessions from 52 to 64.

Mayor Womack opened the public hearing on Ordinance #09-13. No comments from the public. Motion made by Mr. Socio, second by Mrs. Lyles that the public hearing be closed.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adopt Ordinance # 09-13. So moved by Mr. Andrews, second by Mr. Socio, Ordinance No. 09-13 approved on second and final reading and referred to the Mayor for his action and then published in the August 6, 2009 issue of the Home News and Tribune.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Andrews  
Nays: none  
Absent: Mr. Davis

**Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator**

Mr. Socio – asking residents to attend the County Freeholders Public Hearing on solid waste on August in New Brunswick. Web-site – inform residents of displeasure. Community Camp Out – this Friday (weather permitting) at North Brunswick Community Park.

Ms. Nicola – attended the re-dedication of American Legion # 459 on July – veterans and families invited – enhance membership. Congratulated the Italian Carnevale – good weather. Future proclamation – American Legion dedication.

Mayor Womack opened the **Public Hearing** at 7:36 pm.

Hansell Hank Anderson, President of the Central Jersey Area Local of the American Postal Workers Union – fighting a proposal to eliminate a shift at the center – fight possible downsizing at the U.S. Postal Service’s Kilmer Processing Center on Kilmer Road. Members are visiting local governing bodies asking them to oppose the potential elimination of the afternoon shift at the Kilmer center. Mr. Socio asking for a copy of the resolution passed in Piscataway on July – have one ready for September in North Brunswick.

Eileen Weiss – works at the Bayard Street Post Office in New Brunswick. She believes that if they take away that shift, the next step would be to shut down the building sometime in the future.

Gail Hutchinson – works at the North Brunswick Post Office – service cut twice already – window cut from 5 to 4 people – need public support.

Sheldon Cramer – worker at the North Brunswick Post Office – hopes everyone will work together.

Ms. Chyb – window service – not open in the morning. Proposal – 5 cent tax increase expectation. Mr. Lombard responded to her inquiry – tax increase due to the increase in pensions, cost of health care, energy costs, 31 million short fall – property tax base shrunk.

Mr. Luczu – resident at 12 Linwood Place for the past 59 years – stated that Linwood Place is a disgrace – 12 – 15 pigeons sitting on the wires – neighbors feeding them – droppings are becoming a health issue – sent animal control a letter – summons issued – jungle backyard at 8 Linwood Place – traffic on street made into a thruway (speedway) – Latinos Taxi – radar enforcement needed – outsiders and taxi cabs – corners of Woodland and Glenridge Avenue – poor vision.

Mr. O’Neill – budget introduced – last years budget – what was spent?

Mr. Nastus – informed the Mayor and Council of numerous Code Enforcement issues (see attached photos)

1. Linwood Place – taxicabs – drive at more than 50 mph
2. Site triangle – Glenridge Avenue & Linwood Place – cannot see unless you go halfway out into the road – crosswalk – corner – empty – 8 Linwood Place – rental property
3. Livingston Avenue – fence not illegal – temporary – permanent fence with lock needed – vandals getting in – weeds.
4. Old “Lampost” – health issues – pool for mosquitoes.
5. 1520 Livingston Avenue – buy used trucks sign
6. 911 Ridgewood Avenue – 6 passenger vans – 2 busses behind First Aid & Rescue Squad
7. Jack’s Furniture – advertisement trailer blocking intersection – call both police & code enforcement
8. 3 Edgewood Place – overgrowth – vegetation
9. 929 Cranbury Cross Road – property maintenance
10. Adams Lane – temporary storage – side of house
11. Waksman Place – wrecker – parked there every night
12. 675 Georges Road – legal to have two businesses at one spot? – Squindo Automotive and Toscana
13. 497 Georges Road- construction – roof – side of house – house being repaired – already has been fined \$1,500
14. 606 Lee Avenue – block on block fence
15. Telephone pole in front of cemetery
16. Overgrown evergreens – house on Cozzens Lane

Bag of signs – time frame on signs? – soccer registration? No date on signs.

Report from Police Director on how many wreckers were called out after 11:00 pm – 6:00 am – report should have gone from the Mayor to Mr. Nastus.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. So moved by Mr. Socio, second by Mr. Andrews.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Andrews  
Nays: none  
Absent: Mr. Davis

**Mayor Womack called for a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. So moved by Mr. Socio, second by Mr. Andrews.**

**Roll Call: Ayes: Ms. Nicola, Mrs. Lyles, Messrs. Corbin, Socio and Andrews  
Nays: none  
Absent: Mr. Davis**

**Adjourn – 8:59 P.M.**

**Lisa Russo  
Municipal Clerk**

