

EXECUTIVE MEETING called to order, Mayor Vaccaro in the chair, at the Municipal Building on Thursday February 11, 2021 at 7:05 P.M.

Mayor called for Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL: Bauer, Cirillo, Kinsella, Martinez, Surak, Wende- present
Administrator- T. Ciannamea-present,
Attorney- F. Migliorino-present,
Engineer- Frank Dobiszewski

Borough Clerk stated that notice of the meeting was announced in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act and published in the Record on January 13, 2021 and transmitted to Star Ledger on January 25, 2021 about this teleconference Meeting, to join the meeting, please dial 1-800-615-1516 and enter access code **0707400**.

Motion by C/Cirillo and second by C/Wende to approve Minutes of Executive Meeting of January 14, 2021.

ROLL CALL: Bauer, Cirillo, Kinsella, Martinez, Surak, Wende.
All ayes. So ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Bergen County Board of Commissioner- recognition of Career and technical Education Month.

Bergen County Board of Commissioner- recognition of Black History Month.

Matrix New World Engineering- notification of submission of an application for a flood hazard area individual permit to NJDEP for 31 Capital Drive, Block 31, Lot 1, in the Borough of Moonachie.

SUEZ Water New Jersey Inc.- notice of public hearing and notice of filing of petition for approval of an increase in rate for water service and other Tariff changes.

REPORTS:

Mr. Dobiszewski spoke about the Hain Celestial testing; he still needs to get a price list from the lab the samples go to in order to forward the proposal to the governing body. He mentioned that the County did get the traffic count for the Moonachie Avenue & Moonachie Road Traffic Light, but the analysis will take some time and they offered to analyze the data through the Borough and submit to the County.

Spoke about the stormwater proposal, which is being reviewed by Boswell and will be sent to the Mayor and Council when finished.

Mentioned that the generator at Moonachie Avenue Pump Station plans were sent to Suez regarding the issue with the existing pad and they will meet with Suez to resolve the issue.

Mentioned about Grand Street to Anderson Avenue, the scope of work needs to be done in order to get the project ready to bid.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that the residential streets were done a few years ago. Asked if the issue with Suez regarding the generator is stopping the project from moving forward.

Mr. Dobiszewski mentioned that it is not, but if they bid and there is a problem later on with Suez, it would stop the work.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that he would like the project to start, as the Borough is currently paying to rent a generator that is included as a part of the bid for the project.

FORMAL ACTION:

Motion by C/Wende and second by C/Martinez to approve following Resolutions:

RESOLUTION#21-75

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of Borough of Moonachie wishes to enter into a grant agreement with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using \$ 29,646.00 in 2021 Community Development Block Grant funds for Handicap Accessible Bathroom at the Senior Center at 125 Moonachie Road; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorizes Mayor Dennis Vaccaro to be a signatory for the aforesaid grant agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorizes Administrator Anthony Ciannamea to sign all County vouchers submitted in connection with the aforesaid project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council recognizes that the Borough of Moonachie is liable for any funds not spent in accordance with the Grant Agreement; and that liability of the Mayor and Council is in accordance with HUD requirements.

RESOLUTION #21-76

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized to advertise bids for HVAC System at the Senior Center; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Moonachie that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized to receive bids for HVAC System at the Senior Center.

ROLL CALL: Bauer, Cirillo, Kinsella, Martinez, Surak, Wende.
All ayes. So ordered.

NEW BUSINESS:

The following items will be acted upon at Regular Meeting on February 25, 2021:

1. Approval of payment in the amount of \$2,202.50 to Arcari + Iovino for professional services for new DPW building.
2. Establishing the fee for Online Payments through Edmunds Gov Tech WIPP.
3. Endorsing submission of the recycling Tonnage Grant application for 2021.

ORDINANCE: None

DISCUSSION:

1. New DPW Building Construction.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned there was a meeting yesterday, and the contractor did not show up. Spoke about letter from the architect sent via email. Mentioned that the contractor was paid previously, and subcontractors were not paid for work that was done. He mentioned that the architect would like to do a walkthrough of the property and not make payment to Tricon until they go over to see what work still needs to be done. Spoke about asking what percentages of particular work is done, according to the submitted payment application the contractor is saying work is 92% complete.

Administrator Ciannanea mentioned that the last payment application that was paid was #13.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that the full amount of the payment application submitted was not made due to the proper paperwork not being provided to the Borough. Spoke about meeting with the architect next week on site. Mentioned that once the documents for the lien release is given to the Borough the contractor will be paid the remaining amount.

Attorney Migliorino spoke about lien release paperwork process.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that the release of the lien was never provided to the Borough so the contractor cannot be given the amount until the release is received.

Attorney Migliorino spoke about conversation with the lienholder's attorney and paying them directly.

The Mayor and Council discussed that only the contractor is paid by the Borough.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned about the agreement with the Municipal Building contractor and the balance of the payment application will be paid once the release of the lien is given to the Borough.

See Resolution #21-78

2. Sampling Testing at Hain Celestial Group, Inc. See Boswell Report

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that the Borough is waiting for Boswell's proposal for sampling.

3. Traffic Light between Moonachie Road and Moonachie Avenue. -See Boswell Report
4. Moonachie Ave. Generator. -See Boswell Report

5. Energy efficiency for Municipal Building.

C/Martinez mentioned speaking to the company, asking if there were other companies that did this type of work, and the company did not know of any. Added that unless the company finds errors, they will not be paid.

Administrator Ciannamea mentioned that the financial consultant asked for another quote, he will speak to the financial consultant about what C/Martinez discussed.

6. Payment in the total amount of \$191,628.75 (due to defective work of the Contractor) to L+C Design Consultants PA for New Municipal Building.

Mayor Vaccaro spoke about meeting soon with L+C to discuss the bills.

7. New hire for DPW.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that the Committee will look over the applications again.

C/Bauer mentioned that the Motor Vehicle is not open.

Mayor Vaccaro asked the DPW and Personnel Committee to schedule a meeting to review.

8. Moving Court to Municipal building.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that this is in process, there was an issue with work that needs to be done being under state contract, and not sure if the vendor is still under the same contract.

9. On-line payment of Licenses, Dog Licenses and Building Permits and user fees for online tax payments.

Mayor Vaccaro asked if everything is ready.

Borough Clerk mentioned that the Mayor & Council needs to pass a Resolution setting the credit card fees.

Mayor Vaccaro asked when it will be ready.

Administrator Ciannamea mentioned that taxes should be ready for May 1st.

10. Request from Mr. Figueroa for Residential Handicapped Parking at 38 Henry Street.

Attorney Migliorino spoke to Mr. Figueroa and he does not care about a space, but wants to have access to his walkway.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that he is looking for an ADA ramp.

C/Bauer mentioned other residents will ask for a ramp.

Mayor Vaccaro asked about the Borough's responsibility for ADA ramps. Asked the governing body if it will be allowed.

Administrator Ciannamea mentioned and Frank Covelli said that the town may have some liability because of the grant on this project and there could be more liability by not granting the request.

Mayor Vaccaro asked Attorney Migliorino to contact Mr. Figueroa again.

11. 2020 equalized valuation of Moonachie.

Mayor Vaccaro spoke about the ratio for last year, and appeal two years ago to get from 85 to 92. Mentioned about reaching out to the tax attorney and Administrator Ciannamea is going to speak to the tax assessor, and may have an answer for the next Council meeting.

12. Draft Ordinance of Board of Health to regulate Tattoo and Body Art Establishments.

Attorney Migliorino mentioned speaking to the Board of Health Attorney about the Ordinance, it is primarily concerning cosmetics not tattooing, and after Board of Health discussion, the fee was reduced from \$500 to \$300.

Mayor Vaccaro asked about the Ordinance for feeding cats.

C/Surak mentioned about discussing it at the last Board of Health meeting, the Ordinance would include fines for feeding, but enforcement will be difficult.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that the catch and release only works during the daytime.

13. Proposal from Lerch, Vinci & Higgins for Sewer Rate Study.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned speaking to Mr. Lerch about the sewer rates, which have not been increased for some time, and there was a proposal for a sewer study.

Attorney Migliorino spoke about the importance of a sewer study and calculation of rates.

Motion by C/Bauer and second by C/Wende to approve the following Resolution:
RESOLUTION#21-77

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Moonachie that the proposal of Lerch, Vinci & Higgins for Sewer Rate Study be and is hereby accepted.

ROLL CALL: Bauer, Cirillo, Kinsella, Martinez, Surak, Wende.
All ayes. So ordered.

C/Bauer mentioned that the committee asked the Council to review the Ordinance for Certificates of Occupancy.

C/Wende spoke about Little Ferry Ordinance for C.O.'s .

Mayor Vaccaro asked the Council for a side-by-side comparison with Moonachie's Ordinance.

C/Martinez asked whether to get references from other towns about the energy efficiency company.

The Mayor and Council discussed about snow equipment and that the DPW did a good job during the recent snowstorm.

Administrator Ciannamea mentioned about Resolution for disposal of old computers.

Motion by C/Bauer and second by C/Wende to approve the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION#21-78

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that the payment in the amount of \$54,012.72 to Tricon Enterprises, Inc. be and is hereby approved, with the condition that discharge of mechanic's lien of SJK Steel and Construction is submitted to the Borough Clerk prior to payment.

ROLL CALL: Bauer, Cirillo, Kinsella, Martinez, Surak, Wende.
All ayes. So ordered.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Sal DeAlessandro, 1 Frederick Street- spoke about it being difficult to hear on the line.

Asked if there was a completion date for the DPW Building.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that there is none as of yet.

Mr. DeAlessandro asked about the Hain Celestial sampling testing.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that they may speak to Hain Celestial about it after the getting pricing from Boswell.

Mr. DeAlessandro asked about the location of the generator at Moonachie Avenue, asked if it will be put in place as the old generator.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that the generator will be raised out of the flood zone.

Mr. DeAlessandro asked about the water line being under the pad.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that it may be the main line that is under the pad.

Mr. DeAlessandro asked about the sewer rate study.

Mayor Vaccaro mentioned that the Borough Auditor recommended the sewer study, they will look at all of the rates.

Motion by C/Cirillo and second by C/Bauer to close Public Hearing.

ROLL CALL: Bauer, Cirillo, Kinsella, Martinez, Surak, Wende.
All ayes. So ordered.

Motion by C/Bauer and second by C/Cirillo to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Bauer, Cirillo, Kinsella, Martinez, Surak, Wende.
All ayes. So ordered.

ATTEST:

Supriya Sanyal
Borough Clerk