

**WORK SESSION
FEBRUARY 5, 2013**

In compliance with Chapter 231, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice has been given to all members of the Governing Body, the "Local Source" and the "Westfield Leader" the two newspapers designated to receive such notice. The notice is posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board.

Mayor Paul N. Mirabelli called the meeting to order at 8:05 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Mirabelli, Councilwoman Andre, Councilman Lane, Councilman Messler, Council President Turner, Councilman Wass, Administrator Debbie and Attorney Post. Also present were Public Works Director Ronald Romak, CFO Jill Goode, and Recreation Director Frank Masella. Councilman Mortimer was absent.

Discussion was held regarding the annual Borough donation to the Governor Livingston High School Project Graduation. It has been past practice to donate \$300.00 to Project Graduation. The proper resolution authorizing the Finance Officer to issue a check for the donation of \$300 will be prepared for the meeting of February 19, 2013.

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Wass and seconded by Councilwoman Andre:

RESOLUTION 35-2013

WHEREAS, a quote was received by the Borough of Mountainside for the July 4th 2012 Fireworks Celebration; and

WHEREAS, the quote was in the amount of \$15,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Governing body has determined that Garden State Fireworks, Millington, New Jersey is the preferred vendor; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Mountainside provides \$7,500.00, the Mountainside Volunteer Fire Company and Mountainside PAL provide \$3,750.00 each for the payment of the July 4th fireworks;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the proper Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Garden State Fireworks in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the 2013 July 4th Fireworks Celebration.

Roll Call: Andre, Lane, Messler, Turner, Wass. Nays: 0

Discussion was held regarding a request from the Finance Officer for end of year budget transfers within 2012 reserve municipal budget. In accordance with state statute, transfers can be made within certain budget appropriations during the first three months of the fiscal year. It is requested that certain transfers be made within the 2012 municipal budget. The proper budget transfer resolution will be prepared for the February 19, 2013 meeting.

Discussion was held regarding a request from the Municipal Alliance who plan to host "Prevention Night" at the Community Pool and are asking the Council to approve waiving the entrance fees for the first 100 non-members. The Governing Body agreed to their request. The proper resolution will be prepared for the meeting of February 19, 2013.

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Wass and seconded by Councilman Turner.

RESOLUTION 36-2013

BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she hereby is authorized to advertise for bids for the Community Pool Pavilion Contract which bids are to conform to the specifications and requirements of the bid packages as prepared by the Borough Engineer Michael Disko and Daniel Falcone & Associates Inc, 135 New Providence Road, Mountainside, NJ 07092.

Roll Call: Andre, Lane, Messler, Turner, Wass. Nays: 0

Discussion was held regarding our pool concession stand contract with B&K. Council President Turner recommended renewing for an additional year and imposing a 2% increase to the concession contract. Council agreed with his recommendation. The proper resolution will be prepared for the February 19, 2013 meeting.

Discussion was held regarding the 2013 contract renewal with Associated Humane Society for Animal Control Services. They proposed no increase from last year's rate for an annual cost of \$18,484.81. Purchasing Agent Martha Lopez, negotiated with the Society who agreed to decrease our cost by \$2,500.00. The Governing Body agreed to pass a resolution at the meeting of February 19, 2013 renewing the animal control contract.

Discussion was held regarding authorization to auction surplus property online through a state approved vendor known as Municibid. The benefits to online auctions are nationwide exposure, higher bids and no sales commission. The

Council agreed to join Municibid and the proper resolution will be prepared for the meeting of February 19, 2013.

Discussion was held regarding a raffle application from Lions Club NJ 16E Charitable Foundation. They are requesting an off premise 50/50 draw raffle. The application is in order and the proper fees have been paid. Action to approve the raffle license will take place at the meeting of February 19, 2013.

Discussion was held regarding raffle applications from GLHS PTO. They are requesting an on premise draw raffle and on premise 50/50 draw raffle. The applications are in order and the proper fees have been paid. Action to approve the raffle licenses will take place at the meeting of February 19, 2013.

Discussion was held regarding a raffle application from Mountainside Restoration Committee. They are requesting an on premise draw raffle. The application is in order and the proper fees have been paid. Action to approve the raffle license will take place at the meeting of February 19, 2013.

Discussion was held regarding an update from the Media and Information Committee. Various organizations were linked to the Borough website, UC first alert notices will be posted on facebook and twitter, and the Webmaster will begin training on the new media outlets. They are awaiting status on sharing a radio station with Westfield and use of the Honeywell system. The Mayor suggested the Committee provide a list of recommendations to the Council at the next meeting. Also discussed was how channel 35 and 39 would be able to run on a generator and the use of a scrolling sign instead of the electronic board during emergencies.

Discussion was held regarding the submission of the FEMA application for debris cleanup from Hurricane Sandy. The cleanup cost was \$352,000 in which FEMA will reimburse the Borough 75%. The chipper was not approved for reimbursement and we have two ongoing applications still being processed by FEMA.

BILLS & CLAIMS:

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Messler and seconded by Councilman Wass:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the following bills of the persons named and for the amounts stated below, having been duly audited and found to be correct this 5th day of February 2013, the same be paid after Council's review, if and when funds are available and that the Mayor, Council President, Administrator and Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to sign and deliver warrants for same in the amount of \$85,594.67. (Copy of bill list attached)

Roll call: Ayes: Andre, Lane, Messler, Turner, Wass. Nays: 0.

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Turner and seconded by Councilman Messler.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey permits the public to be excluded from certain matters to be discussed by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to discuss litigation which are matters where the exclusion of the public is permitted; and

WHEREAS, public disclosure of the results of this discussion will be made as soon as the matters discussed have been resolved by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the aforesaid matters shall be discussed in closed session upon adoption of this resolution.

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:25 P.M.

The meeting was recalled to public session at 9:45 P.M.

Upon a motion by Councilman Turner and a second by Councilman Wass, the meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Lopez, Borough Clerk