

Exec Mtg 2/8/16

Martin – introduced the Youth Council school reps, Harrsion and Bella Sanlorenzo.

Mayor – Arboretum will talk about a few things then open the floor. Limit to three minutes and say what you want to say the first time. Few questions we wanted to address, signage the borough can approve any and all signs on borough property we will moving forward have a policy. If we do this project it might prevent us from doing other things, will other departments have to wait, the answer is no, borrowing for this wouldn't present a problem for borrowing for other items.

Benjamin – the borou debt ratio is 3 ½ % our capability of borrowing money is very vast, this issue would be the orincipal paid for on annual basis from fund from the arboretume interest is under 1% reasonable to borrow money as long as it continues in that manner. 1 yr note renewal yearly, borrow \$238,000 and pay down then borrow less and the same for the following years.

Mayor – the building was approved in 2009, the way that happens is someone comes to us and makes a request and we approve it and then that's its.

Ohagan – thanked all for the information provided over week.

Bullaro – questioned about the sunshine law. Want to be on record for that this wasn't at a publized meeting. Questioned Tom Vielbig letter from NJDEP, wetlands letter LOI 2010 January 25, 2016 tom told us he was concered that it would expire May 18, 2015 letter, division extends the LOI with out until Sept 2020. Tom told us he was concern about the expiring of the LOI.

Walter Perry – do we get the net effect on our balance sheet with the interest.

Pazan – and the bond purchase fees.

Benjamin – to go out to look at fees for the notes.

Morieko – so the total would be a little over \$9,0860. - \$1400 per year

Bob Burselum – sent an email and asked five questions square FOOT OF THE building. \$365 sq ft to build. This most have been considered, has this been put out to bid. Assurances that the building will meet all the state and federal requirements.

Benjmain – the borough is sending the bid out,

Burselum – 1%

Benjmain – not borrowing has been favorable rate.

Burselum – operating agreement, liabaility insurance and on going expenses, who get the revenue between the town and the arboretum. Borough signed the agreement. Building on town property anticipated revenue does that mean the building will consider as a commercial building.

Tom – there will not be a gift shop, maybe a teeshirt sale and a donation box.

Burselum – if money changes hands is that commercial

Anthony- just because money changes hands that doesn't deem it commercial .

Jim Seaton – we are left with people that come for the school system then run like rabbits, that's not fair to the people that want to stay in town and less luxury for the people that stay for a few years and run. Its not going to bother me that much, but the younger people will pay for them. Very busy street north and south as a narrow street to begin with and jam up with school busses it seems to me its going to be a mess. One of the few semi natural places left in town, it amounts to taxc payer funded child care. Taxpayer funded unnecessary item.

Gary Emery – in 2009 that the council decided to allow the group to raise money to build this building, that was based on it was going to be privately funding. Now they are asking us to set back and bond for a portion for this. Any debt that this town takes on we are going to hand this money over interest free, there is a lot that is going on with that any addition debt that will be taking on by the town, when they said they wpuld do this with private funds, and I think for this town to take on debt for something that is not a necessary but a want. This was also a commitment make by the arboretum they would fund this. How many trees will be taken down. They were given the charge to raise the money privately, this is a want not a necessity and the bond should be for necessitys.

Tom Vielbig – Mr. Bullaro brought up about a letter that was extended until 2020 if that is so I would like a copy of that letter. This is one of those things that we see to enhancve the borough and giving us a loan and in return we will be turning over the building to the borough. We have gotten people asking to donate a roof, and foundation, \$638,000 is the number as yea a high number , but it would be a really nice focus point for the town.

Carol Thielke – only one tree to be taken down. Trying to do what ever we can to protect that environment we would never to do anything to harm that environment.

Ohagan – I think the letter you are referring to is for lower Doremus.

Buresulm – would the note be paid off sooner than 7 years or would they

Mayor – I would ask they would oay it sonner but no obligated.

Tom Vielbig – there is no reason why we would want to keeeop the money we would want to pay it off.

Benjamin – we would need to do an ordinance.

Gary Emery – the revenue made is that going to the town or the arboretum, where does the money go.

Tom – a lot of these questions are answered on the website, the revenues would go to the arboretum budget line on the borough budget would might be able to be reduced. Maintenance the reveue to go back into the pool of the arboretum.

Ridgewood Water

Infor session February 23 8:00 , will post the questions & A.

Looking to hire a new vendor for our website – did want to go around the table probably move quickly on this.

Premission to videotape the work session, come up with a set of rules, we have to allow it,think we will work on a resolution for that.

Formed a best practices committee five residents to find more efficiency to the government

Rebecca coll, jim leonard, mark mc cullough, Ron Dargineo

Eagle scout – Walter Daniel Tar – amazing job built a garden.

Ar \_ 1 zone planning bd meeting a few days ago, the gentleman that is proposing a building on Prospect street gave new plans and it went down to 35 ft.

Commuter parking – item to consider is bringing back the commuter shuttle will be doing a survey asked for input.

Meet a few weeks ago with religious communities would like to start educating the public would like to have a public information session at borough hall.

Property tax rebate card, Lenora

Looking to find parking for commuters and Schubert org and resident parking for shopper.

Relay for life kick off tomorrow.

Council reports

Pazan – finance committee meet multiple times, meet with dpw, police, rec, board of health, building dept, Rec,. Finance meeting Saturday morning 9 am. Talked about capital and current cost for 2016. Met with Lenora and discussed 6 different options for commuter parking. Eagle Scout dinner shout out to troop 27. Reps, from yaw paw. Shade tree committee meeting tomorrow, trying to prevent clear cutting ord. Shout out to sister city onomachi happy new year.

Skip – the diverse departments that we have, new this year having several departments that haven't come before come this year. Public safety & Police transition committee, Myself, Mike, Kristine and Mary Jane. Met last week and met with our attorney, two different phases short term phase to hire from within provided a individual, rebuild trust with us and the community, improve the cooperations with the governing body, annual contract for the chief, looked at the ordinance to see if we can move forward with out any changes. Long term develop a leadership and depart plans to move along the chain of command, look where we can for shared services. Hoping to in 2 weeks to come to the work session to be prepared to do the posting, timing and testing.

Martin – meeting with the seniors tomorrow, will more to discuss on Wednesday, Ridgewood water meeting and additional questions forward to me. Shop the rock card, woman in Kilroys was very happy. Thanked Art for great job with finance committee. Meeting with Shell president of BOE, hopefully more shared services with the BOE and town and questions or ideas, let me know. Relay for life kickoff will be there.

Ohagan – Rec advisory meeting money that was put aside to move the field forward will be continued to do so, waiting to hear back from the engineer. Once we come back with a recommendation they will be ready to go. I think the people on this committee needs that. Been coaching for years in town, went around to all the fields, very excited to be involved with this. This is a good problem to have with the number of kids.

Morieko – Library meet this Thursday, tomorrow night going to attend the friends meeting. More updates to come. Drop of books for the book sale. Event for children to make chocolate.

Mayor – thanked Amy for bringin in the Youth council, having the BOE come to a budget meeting. Will also be having a joint meeting to come with the BOE.

Admin Report –

Met with the engineer, three projects will be moving along, the library restroom March 11<sup>th</sup> to get bids to us to go out to bid. Same thing with ADA for Main Line same date for specs.

A donation that a police department resolution accepting a vehicle and television.

Anthony – someone wanted to donated a under cover vehicle for the dect. Bureau. The vehicle was through an estate. Letter to be attached to the resolution from Citi bank and

Public Comment

Kay Tuite – so many organizations , go back in time, with the volunteers we have in town , we raised \$600,000 toward the library, what would our tax bills be without the volunteers, I think we are very fortunate. The Arboretum is a great spot, I remember a point when I didn't want my kids down there in the woods.

Robyn Emery - questions about the parking committee. Seems there is no more Chamber of Commerce anymore. Finding parking spaces for shoppers, can you get a second rebate card. Is there a % of the purchase.

Skip – explained the how the shop the rock card works.

Robyn – if hire Rich Cervone to do the work at the library who gets the rebate.

Naomi Gammora – what about the across the tracks. Talking about the library and the arboretum raising money, it goes back into buying plants and material for the arboretum, same as the library the funds go back to them, look at this as the alternative to the library another area where people can learn.

Gabe Bullaro – asked how many votes do you need to pass the arboretum ordinance. We have to consider the cost, trust should be for whats best for the people in town.

Martin/ Morieko

All yes.