

Borough of Palmyra
Council Caucus Meeting Minutes, 7:00 PM
Monday June 5th, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

The Caucus Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Palmyra was called to order by Mayor Michelle Arnold at 7:08 pm

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Michelle Arnold, President Tim Howard, Mr. Frank Cosky, Mrs. Bernadette Russell, Mrs. Gina Tait, Ms. Mindie Weiner
Absent: Mr. Lewis Yetter

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT

Public Notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given
By the Municipal Clerk in the following manner:

- A. Posting written notice on the official bulletin board at the Palmyra Borough Hall on January 10, 2017.
- B. Mailing written notice to the Burlington County Times, and the Courier Post Newspaper on January 10, 2017.
- C. Notice to All Council Members.

INVOCATION

Prayer was given by Mr., John Gural

APPROVAL OF MINUTES May 15th, 2017 Regular Council Meeting and Executive Session Meeting Minutes

Mr. Cosky made a motion to approve the regular council meeting and Executive Session Minutes of May 15th, 2017. President Howard seconded the motion.

At the call of the roll.

AYES: Mr. Cosky, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Tait, Ms. Weiner, President Howard

NAYES: None

Absent: Mr. Yetter

CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Arnold acknowledged a thank-you note from Jody Demas PHSFEE and the Palmyra Education Association regarding the Red Carpet Premiere Event.

Mayor Arnold then read a letter of resignation from Kareemah M. Press.

A motion was made by Mrs. Russell to accept Ms. Press's letter of resignation. The motion was seconded by President Howard.

At the call of the roll.

All voted in favor of the motion

PRESENTATION

Mayor Arnold then welcomed the Explorer Post 150 and presented those members with certificates of appreciation for the work they performed at the War Memorial helping to clean up on our clean-up day.

The following Proclamation was read into the record:

Supporting the Click It or Ticket Mobilization of May 22nd – June 4th, 2017

Whereas, there were 604 motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2016; and

Whereas, a large percentage of the motor vehicle occupants killed in traffic crashes were not wearing a seat belt; and

Whereas, use of a seat belt remains the most effective way to avoid death or serious injury in a motor vehicle crash; and

Whereas, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that 135,000 lives were saved by safety belt usage nationally between 1975-2000; and

Whereas, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide *Click It or Ticket* seat belt mobilization from May 22nd – June 4th, 2017 in an effort to raise awareness and increase seat belt usage through a combination of high visibility enforcement and public education; and

Whereas, the Division of Highway Traffic Safety has set a goal of increasing the seat belt usage rate in the state from the current level of 93% to 95%; and

Whereas, a further increase in seat belt usage in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways;

Therefore, be is resolved that the Borough of Palmyra declares its support for the *Click It or Ticket* seat belt mobilization both locally and nationally from May 22nd – June 4th, 2017 and pledges to increase awareness of the mobilization and the benefits of seat belt use.

PROFESSIONAL UPDATES

James Winckowski, CME – Mr. Winckowski indicated they were still vetting contractors for the video surveillance camera project and by the end of June they should have a report and recommendation to the governing body for their consideration.

Mr. Winckowski indicated they may have a tentative agreement with the Burlington County Bridge Commission regarding the aboveground storage tank project. By next month a written agreement should be available for both parties and once approved and the agreement signed we should be able to move forward and award the contract to the contractor.

Ms. Weiner indicated she still had some concerns about the cost savings of the project. Mr. Gural stated a cost benefit analysis is currently being completed with the Bridge Commission, and because there were some concerns regarding our current source of fueling for all borough vehicles, council decided to pursue this project. Mrs. Russell stated some municipalities do utilize local gas stations to fuel. Mr. Gural indicated municipalities do not pay taxes so there is a process we have to go thru to back taxes out of their billing so it becomes a horrendous paperwork issue and we are paying a premium. Municipalities purchase their gasoline and diesel fuel under state contract at the best price available.

William Kirchner, ERI– Mr. Kirchner indicated the inventory of borough roads is almost complete and will be forwarded to council shortly, he showed them what the inventory will look like and explained how to understand the charts they will be receiving. Mr. Kirchner indicated on the chart it shows the streets where the water company has been doing work. Bill stated he had a meeting with them and they will be repaving about 60 to 70% of the areas they disturbed. Mr. Kirchner indicated that 238 feet of curb was also disturbed while the water company was installing the new meters and hydrants, however of particular concern is Horace Avenue, where the curbs were just deteriorating. In addition to what they disturbed there is about 1500 feet of curbing which need to be replaced up against where they intend to pave. Mr. Kirchner indicated he had provided those locations to the water company and is waiting for them to come back with a cost with the intention of the borough paying to replace that curbing at the same time so the borough does not have to go back and tear up the paving to repair the curbing at a later date. Mayor Arnold indicated the map will be posted on the website when completed. Mr. Rosenberg asked if that would exceed the bid threshold. Mr. Kirchner indicated he did not know but believed it would exceed the quote threshold but not the bid threshold. Mr. Rosenberg inquired if the borough could get a better price if we put the entire project out to bid and worked out a deal with the water company for payment. Mr. Kirchner indicated that could potentially slow down the project about two months. Mr. Kirchner indicated they are working on the larger pothole repairs with the on call contractor whom to date has billed about \$45,000.00 utilizing 80 tons of asphalt and about 6 days of work. Charles Street still has about two to three days of work to be completed, however we chose to wait until school was out to finish that work. Mr. Gural stated that because the potholes on Charles Street are

so bad public works will cold patch some of the more severe holes just to get us thru the last two weeks of school.

Mr. Kirchner stated they were looking into a sink hole in Virginia Avenue, which we believe may be sewer related.

Mr. Kirchner also notified the governing body that the thermal stripping of the stop bars for the 4 way stop at Charles Street and Park Avenue is waiting until the road repairs are complete, as the area has some overlapping with the patching areas.

Mr. Kirchner also stated the traffic counts are all in for the Harbour Drive evaluation project and the report should be completed and to council by next month.

Gerald DeFelicis, Maser Consulting- Mr. DeFelicis indicated the riverfront park project is under way the ruff grading and sake outs have be done and a safety fence is up along the street side and a silk fences is up along the river side. Mr. Gural indicated there is a change order on the agenda for approval tonight and if there are questions Mr. DeFelicis can answer them now. Mr. DeFelicis indicated the original contract was for construction management, design service, the construction administration, permit processing, and the survey, this is for additional work with the manufacturer for the construction of the bike racks, developing the displays for the two park areas and are looking for the additional just to get thru the end of the construction management portion. Ms. Weiner inquired if the 3,600.00 exceeded the grant and we would be paying out of pocket. Mr. Gural indicated yes.

David Gerkens, CGP&H- Mr. Gural indicated Mr. Gerkens was asked to explore the possibilities of some grant opportunities for Palmyra Panthers Youth Football. Mr. Gerkens found no grants except one offered by the Philadelphia Eagles, which does not consider us to be in their market area so we are not eligible for that grant. Additionally Mr. Gerkens found a grant for the Farmers Market which Mr. Gural forwarded to members of the governing body. The grant is for improved domestic access to local and regional agricultural products, which Mr. Gerkens recommends we apply for next year.

V-Comm., LLC – Mr. Gural indicated he forwarded the report to the governing body regarding the update on the status of the two proposals being prepared by V-Comm. LLC., one for the platforms on the existing tower and one for the potential tower that we may be interested in building if the investigation indicates it is a worthwhile project. Mr. Gural stated we are still waiting for request for proposals from V-Comm. LLC., for those efforts.

PUBLIC PORTION

This public portion is for discussion on professional updates, resolutions and ordinances listed on the agenda. Please sign in and state your name and address for the record. Council will give all comments appropriate consideration. Each citizen will be allotted up to five (5) minutes to speak, in order to allow everyone an opportunity to ask questions and express their opinions or concerns. Please direct all comments to the Mayor. Each citizen may only speak once during each public portion.

Mrs. Russell made a motion to open the public portion, President Howard second the motion.

All members present voted in favor of the motion

No one from the public wishing to be heard, Mrs. Russell made a motion to close the public portion. Mr. Cosky seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor of the motion.

RESOLUTIONS Consent Agenda

Resolution 2017-135 to Resolution 2017-140 will be enacted as a single motion, if any resolution needs additional discussion it will be removed from the consent agenda and voted on separately.

- **Resolution 2017-135**, Resolution Awarding A Contract Change Order #2 for Construction Administration to Maser Consulting for the Waterfront Park Project in the amount of \$3,600.00.
- **Resolution 2017-136**, Resolution Approving Jason S. Willitts as an Active Member of the Palmyra Fire Department
- **Resolution 2017-137**, Resolution Authorizing 2017-2018 Liquor License Renewal for DHAVAL Inc. Plenary Retail Distribution License #0327-44-004-005
- **Resolution 2017-138**, Resolution Authorizing 2017-2018 Liquor License Renewal for Milmarian Inc. ABC Pocket License #0327-33-002-003
- **Resolution 2017-139**, Resolution Authorizing 2017-2018 Liquor License Renewal Jon P Gerew, Inc. T/A Park Tavern Plenary Retail Consumption License #0327-33-006-004
- **Resolution 2017-140**, Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of a Portable Breath Testing Unit Utilizing Municipal Alliance Program Grant Funds in the Amount of \$427.00 and Transferring Ownership of the Device to the Palmyra School District

Mrs. Russell made a motion to approve the consent agenda as read, approving Resolution 2017-135 thru 2017-140. Mr. Cosky seconded the motion.

At the call of the roll.

AYES: Mr. Cosky, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Tait, Ms. Weiner, President Howard

NAYES: None

Absent: Mr. Yetter

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Ms. Weiner indicated the Red carpet event was so nicely done and had a great turnout. Mr. Russell indicated it was nice to see the Riverton and Palmyra parents come together to support to school. Mayor Arnold indicated the Board of Education will be dedicating of the Clarence B Jones Institute for Social Advocacy and the renaming of the library in his honor at 3:00 pm on June 6th, 2017, additionally on June 7th, 2017 at 10:00 am there will be a proclamation presentation at Boro Hall followed by a round table discussion at 6:00pm at Palmyra High School.

Ms. Weiner stated the Historic Criterion Bike race is being held on June 11th, 2017 at 1:00 pm in Riverton with proceeds going to Palmyra Bread of Life Pantry.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mayor Arnold indicated at the last meeting we indicated we would wait and have some additional discussion regarding the Farmer's Market Facebook Page however the page currently up and running. Mayor Arnold indicated she would email the list of potential names for the River/Waterfront Park Project to Council. Mayor Arnold then read the potential names which were submitted for the Park, which are as follows;

- **Beside Restful Waters**
- **Riverview**
- **Riverfront**
- **Riverfront Vista**
- **Palm Park**
- **Water Works Park**
- **Toye Waterfront Park**
- **Sunset Park**
- **Sunset View**
- **Water's Edge Park**
- **Lily Pad Landing**
- **Palmyra Seniors Riverwalk**
- **Palmyra Seniors Promenade**
- **Heroes Park**
- **Palmyra Pointe**
- **EMS Gratitude Park**
- **Seeds of Joy Park**
- **Joan's Place**
- **Griff's Point**
- **Palmyra Promenade**
- **Peaceful Promenade**
- **Reflection Pointe**
- **Serenity Cove**
- **Russel Collins Park**
- **Bank Avenue Park**
- **1st Responder's Memorial Park**
- **Chief Payton I. Flournoy, Sr. Memorial Park**

Ms. Weiner asked how we are going to pick the name of the Park, can we put the names on the website? Mayor Arnold indicated yes we will put them on the website. Mrs. Russell indicated we could set up a survey on the website and allow residents to voice their opinion. Mayor Arnold indicated she would email the list and explanations to council and if everyone could pick three we would discuss it further at the next meeting.

Mr. Gural indicated we received several resumes for the Public Works/Sewer Superintendent position, however there was one who stood out among the many applicants, after interviews the recommendation to the governing body is that we may an offer to this individual, and that offer is being put together currently.

Mr. Gural indicated the ICMA Conference is coming up in October and will be held in San Antonio, Texas the week of October 22nd -25th, 2017 which he would like to attend. A motion was made by Mrs. Russel to approve travel for Mr. Gural to attend the ICMA Conference in October of 2017. Mr. Cosky seconded the motion.

At the call of the roll.

AYES: Mr. Cosky, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Tait, Ms. Weiner, President Howard

NAYES: None

Absent: Mr. Yetter

Mrs. Tait inquired about council along with the fire department holding an outreach informational meeting for the residents regarding the potential purchase of ladder truck. Mayor Arnold asked how the Chief would like to handle the meeting. Chief Dreby indicated he was looking for clarification regarding how the meeting was going to be conducted... Will it be held at the Fire House? Mayor Arnold indicated she would get together with the safety committee and Chief Dreby so that could come up with a plan to hold the meeting. Mr. Gural indicated some things which need to be considered regarding the setup of the open forum; the wording for the referendum must be given to the County Clerk by at the latest Mid-August; also this is the time frame when we put together our capital purchase requests and begin to prepare the ordinance which we would need to know if the purchase is included or not, we were hoping to introduce the capital purchase ordinance at the regular council meeting in August and adopt in September. Chief Dreby indicated if possible he would like to see the public forum done before the end of June. Mr. Rosenberg also indicated that the public has to be notified if the entire governing body is going to participate, as it is just like a meeting and also needs to have minutes and the municipal clerk must be present.

Mr. Gural indicated the Borough owns several properties which have liens of varying amounts which council may wish to foreclose on and take possession of and potentially sell off. Some of the properties are more attractive than others, so we put together a list of those properties with pictures and council may go out and take a look at the properties as a first step so council can determine if there is something we would like to do with those properties.

Mr. Gural indicated we continue to receive requests for the rental of the Legion Fields and we are looking for a means to address these requests. President Howard indicated he was not in favor of renting the fields however Mrs. Tait and Mr. Yetter indicated they were not oppose to trying it out and seeing how it worked out. After much discussion regarding the cost, the use of the fields, turning on and off the lights and the costs associated with the lights, also the wear and tear on the fields it was decided by Council that were are currently not going to entertain any requests for rental of the Legion Fields. Mr. Gural then explained to Borough Council that there was an incident on the fields this past weekend with one of our organizations using the fields, where a golf cart being use to drag the fields for

baseball/softball maintenance, when a piece of equipment fell on the accelerator causing it to get stuck and it run over number of students. The police and EMS were notified and did respond to the field regarding this incident. There was additional discussion regarding the incident and the use of motorized vehicles in the park.

Mayor Arnold indicated the safety concerns of Virginia, Oregon & Maryland Avenues would be taken up at the public safety committee meeting and the committee will come back with some recommendations.

Mr. Gural indicated Habitat for Humanity had submitted their application to the Land Use Board for subdivision of the property, and we are currently waiting for the response from our professionals.

Mr. Gural indicated that the public safety committee needs to begin scheduling meetings to start the process of negotiating with the CBA/Palmyra Police Association. Mr. Gural also stated that the public safety committee is the usual group which begins the negotiation process with a sub-committee of the police association, however they are not the appropriate authority for final say as to the contract, the appropriate authority is the entire governing body, so although the public safety/ negotiating committee may have some ideas and input, nothing is finally decided until it is approved by the entire governing body.

Mr. Gural indicated the master plan is up for review and the governing body may wish to appoint a committee to look into it along with the committee from the Land Use Board. Mr. Gural then explained what the master plan is and how it is applied to the Land use Law. The Borough is required to look at it every ten years and determine if any changes are needed or desired. Additional explanation regarding the master plan was given by Mr. Rosenberg and additional discussion was had regarding the process and when it needs to be completed. Mr. Rosenberg indicated he would put together a one page synopsis explaining the process and why it need to be completed. Mayor Arnold indicated that would be very helpful.

Mr. Gural explained the Burlington County Consortium – Home Investments Partnership Program 2018-2020. He further explained that a couple of months back council elected not to participate in the County CDBG Program and to continue in the State CDBG because the awards were greater and we had great success with that program, so we opted out. Apparently there have been some changes in the program and now you can participate in the County Home Investment Partnership Program while still participating in the State CDBG Program. Mr. Gural highly recommended we utilize the program as it cost us nothing and it would be beneficial to first time home buyers. Some additional discussion was had regarding our programs, RCA's which we utilize to help homeowners rehab their homes. This program is for first time home buyers.

Mrs. Russell made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-141 authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement for the Borough of Palmyra with Burlington County for Cooperative Participation in the Home Investment Partnerships Act Program. Mr. Cosky seconded the motion.

At the call of the roll.

AYES: Mr. Cosky, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Tait, Ms. Weiner, President Howard

NAYES: None

Absent: Mr. Yetter

Mayor Arnold asked how much money we allocated for the Mural. Mr. Gural indicated originally we budgeted three thousand dollars, however additional funding could possibly be located. Ms. Weiner stated we received some interesting numbers in regards to the cost of mural art. The charge for mural arts is about 4 to 7 thousand a square foot which would cost about 28,000.00 which we clearly don't have for a mural, so we were wondering what kind of money we have to spend on this type of project. Additional discussion was had regarding the costs, the design, the traffic flow because of the location of the wall to be painted, and the contract which the Borough has with Tony's Barbershop. Mr. Gural indicated we may be able to come up with as much as \$10,000.00.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Gural indicated the Tree Bids will be going out soon and it will be for a year and a half expiring 12/31/2018.

Mr. Gural indicated we have already discussed the pothole repair and the youth grants.

Mr. Gural stated the Community Center Scheduling Coordinator position we are currently accepting application for until June 9th, 2017.

Mr. Gural indicated he and the staff are currently looking at the Staff Educational Policy due to some recent circumstances and will come back with some recommendations next month.

Mr. Gural indicated the agreement we had with a financial institution regarding the sale of 34 Pear Street has been voided as the title was changed before the date indicated in the agreement. All of that correspondence has been referred to Mr. Rosenberg and currently we want all the money which was originally due.

Mr. Gural notified Mayor and Borough Council that we did not receive the 2017 DOT Municipal Aid Grant Application for Orchard Avenue, we have not received the official notification however the winners were announced in the newspaper and we were not listed.

Chief Pearlman indicated the new sergeant and patrolman will be sworn in at our next meeting.

Mr. Gural indicated the Exit Conference is scheduled for Friday June 9th, 2017 at 10:00 am and we had no significant findings which has been the same for the past few years however we still have to have the exit interview and discuss the audit where they give recommendations of how we can do things better.

Mr. Gural indicated the emergency call buttons and Community Center door release are currently being installed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Arnold indicated she attended the Palmyra Seniors “Motown Dance” which was a lot of fun. Additionally Mayor Arnold indicated that Governing Body received an invitation to attend the Palmyra High School Graduation which is scheduled for June 16th, 2017 at 6:30 pm. at the High School Stadium. Mayor Arnold indicated we also received the resignation letter of Patrolman Scott Snow. Mayor Arnold indicated she would be working with the River Route Strategic Plan thru the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission on a sub-committee regarding transportation along the Rt. 130 corridor and will report back as additional information becomes available. Mayor Arnold stated the Communications Committee will be meeting on June 13th, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

Mrs. Tait indicated the recreation committee met in regards to the Legion Fields rentals and she attended Mr. PHS at Palmyra High School, Avery Thorpe was the winner of the Mr. PHS this year.

Mr. Cosky stated the construction committee has scheduled their meeting for 4:00 pm on June 13th, 2017.

Mrs. Russell indicated the Shade Tree Committee will be meeting this upcoming week on Wednesday. Mrs. Russell asked whose responsibility is it to take care of the flower beds at the railroad tracks as they are in need of attention.

Ms. Weiner stated she worked with public events on the War Memorial Ceremony last week, which was incredible. The Green Team met and we now have official permission to use the Jersey Fresh Logo. Ms. Weiner stated the Farmers Market is now up and running and it is great. It far exceeded her expectations and it will get bigger and better as we go along. Most of the vendors present sold out of their products far exceeding what they thought they would do. Additionally the committee decided to do a community table at every Farmer’s Market so that the community organizations could get information out to people also. Mrs. Tait stated it was good to see everyone out and interacting with one another. The business and community development committee will now begin to focus their efforts on the business to better determine their needs.

President Howard indicated the youth and recreation committee met last week and there are still some concerns regarding the lip on the fields, can we have Mr. Fox come out and look at it? Mrs. Tait asked that when we schedule that meeting can we also ask the PRAA to be in attendance so we make sure we entertain all their concerns.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Please sign in and state your name and address for the record. Council will give all comments appropriate consideration. Each citizen will be allotted up to five (5) minutes to speak, in order to allow

everyone an opportunity to ask questions and express their opinions or concerns. Please direct all comments to the Mayor. Each citizen may only speak once during each public portion.

Mrs. Russell made a motion to open the public portion, Mr. Cosky second the motion.

All members present voted in favor of the motion

Mr. Norcross –Morgan Avenue – Mr. Norcross thanked Mayor and Council for the certificates of appreciation for the Explorers Post 150 and indicated they would be back to help again, additionally the group just placed third in a marching competition and the team leader won an award at that competition. Mr. Norcross asked if the stop signs and stripping was going to be completed at Fourth and Morgan Streets. Mr. Gural indicated Mr. Kirchner indicated they were waiting until the paving was complete to address the stripping. Mr. Norcross asked is there something we can do with trees that are on private property. Mr. Gural indicated he should notify the police chief, especially if it is a hazard. Mayor Arnold stated send us the information and we'll look into it. Mr. Norcross indicated he heard about the incident at Legion field and to restrict PRAA from being able to use the cart to drag in the fields would cause more work for Public Works department. Mayor Arnold indicated we need to put parameters in place and remind them of the safety concerns. Mr. Norcross also indicated the lip has been on the field for years, and a field consultant needs to be called. Mr. Norcross also indicated that War Memorial shirts are still available at Schwering's Hardware for \$15.00.

Mr. Rainer- Broad Street – Mr. Rainer indicated it was nice to see the business doing well. Mr. Rainer asked if the no parking signs on south Broad Street could be removed and replaced with 2 hour parking. Mayor Arnold indicated his suggestions would be considered and the governing body would look into it.

Mr. Rader- Harbour Drive – Mr. Rader indicated the Palmyra Community Center Program Broad is a 501C-3 organization and is not affiliated with the Borough, does that apply to all the 501C-3 organizations? Mr. Gural indicated yes as they are all private non-profit organizations and each of those groups received their 501C-3 status from IRS. Mr. Rader asked, "What is the relationship between the scheduling coordinator and the community center program board?" Mr. Gural indicated there is none. The scheduling coordinator is a Borough employee and does the scheduling of the community center, band shell, tennis courts, the fields and parks. The community center program board designs programs for the community center, and they have to schedule their programs like every other organization.

Ms. Smith -Van Sant Drive – Mr. Smith indicated the Farmer's Market was fantastic, and he was so happy to see flowering trees planted not just Oaks and Maples which grow too big. Mr. Smith stated Cinnaminson Avenue looks like junk all the time, there is always trash and junk out all the time, and what is code enforcement doing about that. Mr. Gural indicated he would speak with Mr. McGill tomorrow and address those issues, and for the record Mr. McGill is doing double duty right now in the absence of the public works superintendent. Mr. Smith also asked if the parking lot by Tony's Barber shop, could have restricted parking so that people can get to the businesses in that area. Mr. Gural indicated the Borough owned most of the parking lot however there are some spots immediately behind the store fronts which is owned by Curran's. Is it possible to buy out some of the owners of the other

business, dog groomer etc. and convert those business into additional parking? Mayor Arnold indicated that is something which the public safety committee could talk about.

Mr. Nowicki – Mr. Nowicki thanked Ms. Weiner and Explorer Post 150 and residents for helping out with the Memorial Day Remembrance on behalf of the War Memorial Committee. Mr. Nowicki also stated if you were considering renting the field you may want to start out with a charity organization to see how it works out and see what the impact is.

Mr. Casparro- Morgan Avenue – Mr. Casparro stated that the PIA might like to do a botchy tournament to raise some money, and wanted to know what the rules were to utilize that court. Ms. Weiner indicated he should speak with Rita if he wanted to use that area. Mr. Casparro indicated that the PIA would also like to do a fundraiser by designing and selling flags to help with the purchase of banners for the downtown area. Mrs. Tait indicated she would look into that. Mr. Casparro also indicated the PIA would like to do something with the flower beds by the train station however was told public works handled them.

No one from the public wishing to be heard, Mrs. Russell made a motion to close the public portion. Mr. Cosky seconded the motion.

All members present voted in favor of the motion.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Ms. Weiner inquired what is going on with the Clarence B Jones celebration here at the Borough. Mrs. Tait asked if it was at the community center. Mayor Arnold indicated it was here at the borough and depending upon the weather it would be outside or in the court room.

Resolution 2017-142 Resolution Excluding the Public from Certain Meetings Pursuant To Section 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act C. 231 P. L. 1975. Litigation, Contracts, Negotiations
President Howard made a motion to approve resolution 2017-142. Mr. Cosky seconded the motion.

At the call of the roll.

AYES: Mr. Cosky, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Tait, Ms. Weiner, President Howard

NAYES: None

Absent: Mr. Yetter

Council went into CLOSED SESSION at 9:12 pm

Mr. Cosky made a motion to open to the public. Mrs. Russell second the motion.

All members present voted in favor of the motion

Council back in session at 9:31 pm

Mr. Cosky made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Russell second the motion.

All members present voted in favor of the motion

Meeting Adjourned at 9:32 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Doretha R. Jackson
Acting Municipal Clerk