

**MINUTES
MARCH 22, 2011**

The Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on the above date with Mayor McLaughlin presiding and Commissioners Bolan and McLoughlin answering the roll call. Also in attendance was the Borough Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. with a salute to the flag.

Mayor McLaughlin announced that the notice requirements of R.S. 10:4-18 had been satisfied by delivering the required notice to the Coaster, posting the notice on the board in Borough Hall and filing a copy of said notice with the Borough Clerk.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF COMMENDATION

Mayor McLaughlin presented Certificates of Commendation to Police and Public Works for their efforts during the December 26, 27, 2010 snow storm.

ORDINANCE #2011-04 ADOPTED

Offered By: Mayor McLaughlin

Seconded By: Comm. McLoughlin

ORDINANCE #2011-04

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, “AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE FISHING AT THE ALLENHURST BEACH CLUB”, ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF ALLENHURST ON MAY 8, 1973 AND AMENDED ON AUGUST 28, 1973

There was no response to Mayor McLaughlin’s request for public comments or questions.

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

ORDINANCE #2011-05 ADOPTED

Offered By: Mayor McLaughlin

Seconded By: Comm. McLoughlin

ORDINANCE #2011-05

AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER SUPPLEMENT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, AAN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH, MAINTAIN, REGULATE AND CONTROL A POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF ALLENHURST AND PRESCRIBING RULES AND REGULATIONS RESPECTING SUCH DEPARTMENT FOR THE GOVERNMENT AND DISCIPLINE THEREOF@, ADOPTED FEBRUARY 1, 1926, AND THE VARIOUS AMENDMENTS THEREOF AND SUPPLEMENTS THERETO.

There was no response to Mayor McLaughlin’s request for public comments or questions.

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

ORDINANCE #2011-06 ADOPTED

Offered By: Mayor McLaughlin

Seconded By: Comm. McLoughlin

ORDINANCE #2011-06

**ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

There was no response to Mayor McLaughlin’s request for public comments or questions.

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #1

A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY AND APPROVE MINUTES

Offered By: Comm. McLoughlin

Seconded By: Comm. Bolan

BE IT RESOLVED, That the minutes of the regular meeting of March 8, 2011, be ratified and approved.

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #2

A RESOLUTION TO DISPENSE WITH READING OF MINUTES

Offered By: Comm. McLoughlin

Seconded By: Comm. Bolan

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Clerk dispense with the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting of March 8, 2011.

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #3

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE TEMPORARY EMERGENCIES

Offered By: Comm. McLoughlin

Seconded By: Comm. Bolan

WHEREAS, An emergency has arisen with respect to operating expenses in various departments, and no adequate provision was made in the 2011 temporary budget for the aforesaid purpose, and N.J.S. 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of emergency temporary appropriations for the purpose above mentioned; and,

WHEREAS, The total emergency temporary resolutions adopted in the year 2011 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20) including this resolution total \$3,125.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, (not less than two-thirds of all the members of the governing body affirmatively concurring), that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20:

1. Emergency appropriations be and the same are hereby made for the following:

Legal, O.E.	1.00
Group Insurance	2,350.00
Public Buildings	800.00
Beach, S&W	4,750.00
Telephone	605.00
PERS	97,681.00
PFRS	<u>167,525.00</u>
TOTAL	273,712.00

2. That said emergency temporary appropriations will be provided for in the 2011 budget under the above-mentioned titles.

3. That one certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Finance.

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #4
A RESOLUTION TO ROLLOVER BAN

Offered By: Comm. McLoughlin Seconded By: Comm. Bolan

WHEREAS, The Borough Clerk requested rates for Bond Anticipation Notes; and,
WHEREAS, Two quotes were received, one from Oppenheimer & Co., Inc., at a rate of 2.75% and the other from Central Jersey Bank at a rate of 1.50% and the Chief Finance Officer has recommended award of the contract to the lowest bidder, Central Jersey Bank;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Allenhurst authorizes a Bond Anticipation Note in the amount of \$638,030 to Central Jersey Bank, the lowest of two quotes received, for a period of twelve months commencing on March 25, 2011 and maturing on March 23, 2012, at an interest rate of 1.50%.

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #5
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RAFFLE LICENSE

Offered By: Mayor McLaughlin Seconded By: Comm. Bolan

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Allenhurst, that the following applications for raffle licenses be granted:

Allenhurst Garden Club – Sunday, May 29, 2011, (rd 6/05/11), 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, for an on-premise draw raffle at Centennial Park, Main Street, Allenhurst

Allenhurst Fire Dept – Saturday, May 21, 2011 – 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM, for an on-premise, non-draw raffle at the Allenhurst fire House, 318 Hume Street, Allenhurst

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #6
A RESOLUTION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF TENT AT ABC

Offered By: Comm. McLoughlin Seconded By: Comm. Bolan

WHEREAS, The Beach Club Manager has recommended the purchase of a tent for dining and recreation activities at the Allenhurst Beach Club and the Board of Commissioners concur; and,

WHEREAS, Three quotes were secured for the purchase and installation of a 30' x 50' tent and the Business Administrator recommends award of the contract to the lowest quote received; and,

WHEREAS, Funds for this purpose will be provided for in the Capital Account known as "2011 ABC Improvements", known as 2011-03, and the Chief Finance Officer has certified;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That a contract be awarded to Shore Awning Co., Inc., the lowest of the three quotes secured, in the amount of \$7,200.00 for the purchase and installation of a 30' x 50' tent at the Allenhurst Beach Club.

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #7

A RESOLUTION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR PAINTING AT ABC

Offered By: Comm. McLoughlin

Seconded By: Comm. Bolan

WHEREAS, The Beach Club Manager secured four quotes for painting at the Allenhurst Beach Club; and,

WHEREAS, The Business Administrator recommends the award of a contract to the lowest quote received; and,

WHEREAS, Funds for this purpose shall be provided for the first three months of 2011 in the 2011 Temporary Budget and funds for the balance of 2011 will be provided for in the budget for the year 2011 when finally adopted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That a contract be awarded to M. Luz & Associates to wash, scrape and paint the concrete walls, all flooring and locker doors, jams and shelves, where necessary for an amount of \$9,680, lowest of four quotations secured.

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #8

A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM PURCHASES

Offered By: Comm. McLoughlin

Seconded By: Comm. Bolan

WHEREAS, Purchases were made for amounts over \$1,000.00 and it is the policy of the Borough that the Board of Commissioners approve or confirm said purchases; and;

WHEREAS, Funds for these purposes are provided for in various accounts within the current budget, and the CFO has so certified; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the following contracts are hereby confirmed:

Howell Twp. Police Department for range fees - \$1,250.00

Lakewood Auto Body for auto parts - \$1,351.37

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #9

A RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE 2011 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Offered By: Comm. McLoughlin

Seconded By: Comm. Bolan

BE IT RESOLVED, That the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2011;

General Appropriations For:

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| 1. Appropriations within ACAPS@ | |
| (a) Municipal Purposes | 3,459,286.00 |
| 2. Appropriations Excluded from ACAPS@ | |
| (a) Municipal Purposes | 822,885.00 |
| (b) Local District School Purposes in Municipal Budget | .00 |
| Total General Appropriations excluded for ACAPS@ | 822,885.00 |
| 3. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes | 62,097.32 |
| 4. Total General Appropriations | 4,344,268.32 |
| 5. Less: Anticipated Revenues Other Than Current Property Tax | 2,126,565.00 |
| 6. Difference: Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget | |
| (a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for
Uncollected Taxes | 2,217,703.32 |

(b) Addition to Local School District Tax

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said Budget be published in the Coaster in the issue of March 31, 2011.

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

RESOLUTION #10

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BILLS AND PAYROLL (03/16/11 - 03/31/11)

Offered By: Comm. McLoughlin

Seconded By: Mayor McLaughlin

BE IT RESOLVED, That bills and payrolls totaling \$149,833.74 be approved for payment; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the March 22ND consolidated bill list be attached hereto and made a part thereof.

VOTE: Comm. McLoughlin-AYE; Comm. Bolan-AYE; Mayor McLaughlin-AYE

PUBLIC HEARING & BUSINESS OWNERS' DISCUSSION

Mayor McLaughlin stated he asked the business owners here tonight as he has seen empty store fronts. These are difficult times with the economic downturn. They were fortunate enough to have some surplus cash and they have set aside some money for events on Main Street. He asked the business owners how they could help.

Mayor McLaughlin read a letter from Cravings regarding 15 minute parking on the east side of Main Street.

John Reng stated that two hour parking is too long. Maybe one hour is better. Fifteen minutes may not be enough. The problem is merchants parking in front all day. It is a fragile economy and people are not anxious to go into business. He suggested maybe cutting down the amount of paperwork. There has been 50 years of zoning laws that are very restrictive. There was an attempt to broaden them, but it still not very broad. The result is that there is not enough diversity. He stated that it there was a previous discussion on changing the zoning to prohibit first floor professional offices from Corlies Avenue, south. The bank is coming in, which should help. JCP&L does nothing for the town. It is a check cashing operation.

Rose Myers stated she was thrilled to get the new signs for the parking lot. The lot is cleaned up and looks good. However, people who live above the stores park in front of her business for days on end.

Mayor McLaughlin stated he thought the parking was for two hours. Ronnie Dahl, Deputy Borough Clerk stated they have residents stickers and can park there.

Comm. Bolan suggested resident parking be prohibited between Corlies and Allen Avenues.

Marissa Caruso commented that the area between Allen and Corlies Avenue should be all retail.

Mayor McLaughlin spoke about signs, stating that some of the seasonal shops are putting up hand-lettered signs, which look awful. By the time they are warned about them, they are gone for the season. They will be vigilant about the signs. He stated they are also planning to do a run in the summer. They can hold sidewalk sales. The Borough will advertise as a Borough event. Mayor McLaughlin spoke about a trolley or a horse and carriage ride. They can partner with the businesses for something like that.

Mayor McLaughlin continued, stating they will have a bus on weekends and holidays during the summer. They thought about asking the businesses to put advertisements on it. Chris

Rogers presented a sample of a magnetic sign which will adhere to the bus. The signs were about \$100.00 although they may want to do something a little larger. They can also do something more uniform such as color. Mayor McLaughlin stated it is the old school bus. They are trying to think of ways to get the business names out there. They have the bus already and it will run regardless, but he thought the ads would benefit the businesses.

Mayor McLaughlin also suggested an event at the Beach Club highlighting one or two stores at a time.

Ms. Myers asked for help from the town in bringing new businesses in. She asked if the Borough knew of any new businesses. Comm. McLoughlin answered that he doesn't know of any.

Mayor McLaughlin stated that someone asked him about tax breaks for businesses, but the town is just too small to justify that.

Theresa Santoro asked about giving out a liquor license and Comm. McLoughlin stated that the Board can create a license. It was a carrot for the redevelopment zone.

Mr. Reng stated the Spring and Fall is when they need help. Anything the Board can do to help bring in business or generate excitement then would be appreciated.

Ms. Myers stated that she could use a trolley for her two events. She stated the British car show is on April 17 and the Outdoor Market is May 29th.

Mayor McLaughlin stated it would have to be a Borough-wide thing. Ms. Myers stated she was putting it out there for anyone to piggy-back onto.

Mrs. Dahl suggested music in the park one night. Mayor McLaughlin stated that was a good idea. They also talked about doing a movie in the park.

Mayor McLaughlin stated they are just trying say they want to work with the businesses. Mrs. Caruso stated if they held a sidewalk sale in the summer and the Borough wants to do the advertising, it would be great.

Mr. Reng suggested the Borough put up banner poles; one on each side of Main Street. Businesses, organizations or the Borough could hang banners. They could advertise the run. It will have a lot of visibility. The Borough would control the poles, but the individual would provide the banner.

Comm. Bolan suggested doing the run in the Fall.

Mr. Reng suggested having a dog show for police canines, state-wide. They can perform agility tests, drug tests, beauty test, etc. He stated that NJ Transit runs drills for first responders. They put on mock demonstrations and that may attract some business. He suggested a farmers market north of Corlies.

Mrs. Caruso asked about cutting down the trees on Main Street. When in bloom, you cannot see her window or sign. They are not necessary. The other side of the street looks nicer without the trees.

Theresa Santoro stated she could talk to the Garden Club. They were thinking of re-doing the pots on Main Street.

Comm. Bolan asked if the Borough needed to hire someone to take the trees down and Mr. Caron stated they can do it.

Mr. Reng stated that the planters on the ground are nice, but they become trash receptacles. How about putting them up on the lampposts?

Mr. Caron stated that Red Bank has the pole planters which are wrought iron and match the poles. They lower for maintenance. A truck waters them with a shepherds hook.

Mr. Reng stated that jungle Lasers has a program with buildings and can show what Main Street would look like with different kinds of outdoor furniture. Brookdale also has a program for landscaping and he believes it is free.

Mayor McLaughlin stated they need a point person to decide what everyone wants to do. Mrs. Caruso suggested Rose Myers, who said she would be happy to be the point person, but it is a lot of responsibility. She wishes there was a person or element or plan to attract business. There are ways to pull people in.

Comm. McLoughlin stated they can look to change zoning.

Mrs. Caruso stated that Ronnie at Spellbinders has a Memorial Day tent event. Maybe everyone can get together for that.

Ms. Myers talked about her antique show, stating she will have more vendors, food, etc. There will be thousands of people.

Bernie Costello comments that live music doesn't have to be expensive. They could have roving musicians.

Chris Rogers stated they can try to bring Main Street down to the beach. They have a new deck and boardwalk.

Mrs. Caruso stated she liked the idea of vendor day at the beach.

Kathy King, Central Jersey Bank, stated she would be interested in participating in many of these ideas. They are planning a grand opening in the Fall. She will join any committee that is set up.

David Krenkel stated he would be interested in being a part of a quarterly meeting.

Theresa Trocchia, of Artistic Finds, stated she opened a business next to the bank. It is a little art gallery and studio. She also wanted to join and participate in any way. She added that she was thankful for the police presence in Allenhurst. They have already helped her deal with a situation.

There was a discussion on the proposed merger with Loch Arbour. Mayor McLaughlin explained the procedure.

A Loch Arbour resident stated Loch Arbour is in possession of a letter which states that if a consolidation were to take place, Loch Arbour would cease to exist and the children would go to Asbury Park schools. With the savings the families of those children would receive from their taxes, they can send their children to other schools. Some parents are not happy with Ocean schools.

Comm. Bolan stated that Paul; Fernicola spoke to some of the parents and some of them will accept it. These are the questions which will have to have definitive answers.

William Capik stated that as a resident of Hume Street, he has seen on a first-hand basis what Doug and the guys do.

There being no further comments, public hearing was closed and the meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Lori L. Osborn, RMC
Clerk-Administrator