



Borough of Rocky Hill  
Borough Council  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
June 19, 2017

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill was called to order by Mayor Phil Kartsonis at 7:30 PM followed by the salute to the flag.

**NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

**ROLL CALL**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Robert Ashbaugh	Councilman	Present	
Billy Dawson	Councilman	Present	
John Hagemann	Councilman	Present	
Anthony Sciaraffo	Councilman	Present	
Mark Sibley	Councilman	Present	
Robert Uhrik	Councilman	Present	
Phil Kartsonis	Mayor	Present	

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

A. Approval of Mayoral Appointments to Various Committees

Mayor Kartsonis appointed Mr. Sibley to the Streets and Roads committee and Mr. Sciaraffo to the Recreation committee.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Borough Council - Second Meeting of Month - May 15, 2017 7:30 PM

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [5 TO 0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark Sibley, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Billy Dawson, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Ashbaugh, Dawson, Hagemann, Sciaraffo, Uhrik
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	Sibley

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The floor was open to public comment, hearing none, the floor was immediately closed.

**STATE POLICE REPORT**

A. State Police Report May 2017

Mayor Kartsonis delivered the report.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

### A. Engineers Report May 2017

The Engineer contacted the County about street sweeping, and they asked if the work could be done at night. The Council discussed the field mowing in the Green Acres behind Borough Hall. The consensus was to suspend the summer cut and have a full cut in the fall.

## **CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT**

### A. CFO Report

The CFO provided a year-to-date expense report.

## **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

### A. Tax Collectors Report May 2017

A letter to residents will be going out with the tax bills.

### B. Municipal Court Report May 2017

## **APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS**

### A. Bill List June 2017

All vouchers except 6306, 6312 and 6321.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Uhrik, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Billy Dawson, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Ashbaugh, Dawson, Hagemann, Sciaraffo, Sibley, Uhrik

### B. Motion to approve voucher 6321

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [5 TO 0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark Sibley, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Billy Dawson, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Ashbaugh, Dawson, Sciaraffo, Sibley, Uhrik
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	Hagemann

### C. Motion to approve vouchers 6306 and 6312

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [5 TO 0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Billy Dawson, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark Sibley, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Dawson, Hagemann, Sciaraffo, Sibley, Uhrik
<b>RECUSED:</b>	Ashbaugh

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Administration & Records - B. Dawson

No report.

Buildings & Grounds - J. Hagemann

Mr. Hagemann discussed with Council ways to stop trucks from driving over the grass at Crescent Point Park and Panicaro Park. The new windows are being installed at Borough Hall. Bromley Nursery donated a tree that was planted behind Borough Hall.

Finance & Insurance - R. Uhrik

No report.

Public Safety & Emergency Services - B. Dawson

New radar speed signs were installed and working through technical issues.

Streets & Roads - P. Kartsonis

Looking into how to get police coverage during road work.

Water, Sewer & Environmental Protection - R. Ashbaugh

All tests normal. Water Superintendent Tim Lesko has requested that he be notified before road paving.

Council Representative to Planning Board - R. Ashbaugh

The Planning Board met in June and granted an extension to the July meeting to St. Elizabeth's Church.

Council Liaison to Recreation Committee- P. Kartsonis

The town kickball event was successful, and Rocky Hill Day will be celebrated June 24th.

Council Representative to Board of Health - B. Uhrik

Meeting took place June 8th. Considering an ordinance to prohibit massage establishments, vape shops, e-cigarettes, and tattoo parlors. The State has a new lead standard. There have been a few verified rabies incidents in Montgomery Township. Lyme disease is on the rise. The vacant seat on the Board will be filled by Dr. Joseph Portale.

Zoning Official's Report - M. Blasch

No report.

Grants Committee - P. Kartsonis

No report.

## **SPECIAL BUSINESS**

A. Presentation from Chief Harris

Todd Harris and Erik Mickelsen requested that the OEM per diem program be extended from one to three people because recruitment and retention of volunteers is difficult. They

proposed hiring two additional staff at \$6,000 per person and raising the current employee's salary to \$7,000.

- B. RESOLUTION-2017-45 Authorizing the Renewal of a Liquor License # 1817-33-001-004 for Cajo Enterprises LLC, T/A One 53 for the 2017-2018 Year

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark Sibley, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Hagemann, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Ashbaugh, Dawson, Hagemann, Sciaraffo, Sibley, Uhrik

- C. RESOLUTION-2017-46 Authorizing the Renewal of a Liquor License # 1817-33-002-006 for Copper Bottom LLC, T/A Rocky Hill Inn for the 2017-2018 Year

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Billy Dawson, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark Sibley, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Ashbaugh, Dawson, Hagemann, Sciaraffo, Sibley, Uhrik

- D. RESOLUTION-2017-47 Providing for the Insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the 2017 Budget in the Amount of \$245,000.00 Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (Chapter 159, P. L. 1948)

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mark Sibley, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Billy Dawson, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Ashbaugh, Dawson, Hagemann, Sciaraffo, Sibley, Uhrik

- E. RESOLUTION-2017-48 Chapter 159- Clean Communities Grant

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Uhrik, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Billy Dawson, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Ashbaugh, Dawson, Hagemann, Sciaraffo, Sibley, Uhrik

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Discussion: Mid Year Resident Letter

The consensus of the Council is to send the letter via regular mail.

- B. Discussion: Montgomery Twp. Sewer

Mayor Kartsonis, Engineer Tanner, and CFO Monzo discussed the sewer bill. The Engineer's office has reviewed the bill and Mr. Tanner will go over it again.

- C. Discussion Clean Community Grants

CFO Monzo will meet with Recycling Coordinator Bill Epps to discuss how to spend the approximately \$12,000 in grant money.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Letter from Somerset County Parks Re: Container Gardening for Children
- B. Letter from the State of NJ - Storm Water Program (C. B.Tanner)
- C. Letter from Arbor Consulting Re: GPS Software
- D. NJDOE Budget for Montgomery Township
- E. Letter from the State of NJ DOT Re: Grant Award

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. RESOLUTION-2017-49 To Retire into Executive Session for the Purpose of Contract Negotiations: South Bound Brook Police

Executive Session began at 9:20 Pm and ended at 10:20 PM.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Billy Dawson, Councilman
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mark Sibley, Councilman
<b>AYES:</b>	Ashbaugh, Dawson, Hagemann, Sciaraffo, Sibley, Uhrik

**RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF ANY)**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Dawson moved to adjourn at 10:20 PM, Mr. Ashbaugh seconded, and motion carried on voice vote.