

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF JULY 2, 2012

**CALL TO ORDER** BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT FONTANA

**STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE** WAS READ

TAKE NOTICE THAT ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 10:4-8 AND N.J.S.A. 10:4-10 AS FOLLOWS: A NOTICE OF THE MEETING WAS PROMINENTLY POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, LOCATED AT 225 MAIN STREET, LITTLE FALLS, N.J. ON JUNE 28, 2012; A COPY OF THE NOTICE WAS FAXED TO THE NORTH JERSEY HERALD & NEWS AND THE RECORD ON THE SAME DATE; ADDITIONALLY, A COPY OF THE NOTICE WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE TOWNSHIP CLERK ON SAID DATE.

**ROLL CALL** - COUNCIL MEMBERS JOE SISCO, MERCEDES GONZALEZ, LOU FONTANA, JOHN VANTUNO AND PAM PORTER WERE PRESENT. MAYOR DARLENE POST, ATTORNEY WILLIAM NORTHGRAVE, AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR JOANNE BERGIN WERE PRESENT.

A MOTION TO OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS MADE BY GONZALEZ, SECONDED BY VANTUNO AND CARRIED ON A UNANIMOUS "AYE" VOTE.

**GALE KOSTER** - ZELIFF AVENUE - I LIVE NEAR THE CORNER OF ZELIFF AND MAIN. PARKING ON THE STREET IN THIS AREA CAUSES AN UNSAFE CONDITION. I AM IN FAVOR OF THE ORDINANCE TO RESTRICT PARKING FOR THE 192 FEET.

**RONALD FLEET** - ZELIFF AVENUE - I ALSO AM IN FAVOR OF THE NO PARKING SIGNS. RESIDENTS FEAR THE DANGER AT THE SCHOOL BUS STOP. NO PARKING IS CRITICAL. THERE IS A REAL DANGER AT THE MAIN STREET INTERSECTION.

**GEORGE COLE** - ZELIFF AVENUE - THE NO PARKING SIGNS WERE ALWAYS THERE. IT WAS NEVER A PROBLEM. NOW THE STREET IS CLUTTERED WITH CARS. NEAR MISSES ARE BECOMING COMMON. YOU SHOULD REPLACE THE ORIGINAL SIGNS.

**AL ALABRAHAM** - ZELIFF AVENUE - IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR A FIRE TRUCK TO PASS WITH PARKING AND OPPOSING TRAFFIC.

**BRIAN LISCIO** - PERMIT PARKING WOULD SOLVE THE PROBLEM. PARKING IS TIGHT FOR EVERYONE.

**KEITH LISCIO** - I OWN A HOME IN THE AREA. TENANTS HAVE NO PARKING AVAILABLE. IT IS A HARDSHIP. I AGREE CHILDREN'S SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT.

**ANNA FLEET** - ZELIFF AVENUE - SHE DESCRIBED THE PARKING DIFFICULTIES ALONG ZELIFF.

**CHIEF DMUCHOWSKI** - THE CHIEF EXPLAINED THE HISTORY OF THE SIGNS AND PARKING ORDINANCES IN THE AREA. THE DPW, POLICE AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR ALL WORKED ON THE PROBLEM. TEMPORARY SIGNS WERE NOT WORKING.

**PORTER** - DON'T SOME HOMES HAVE BACK DRIVEWAYS?

**DMUCHOWSKI** - YES

**PORTER** - WOULD PERMIT PARKING WORK?

**DMUCHOWSKI** - IT IS BEING INVESTIGATED.

**GONZALEZ** - THERE WERE NO PROBLEMS IN THE PAST WITH THE NO PARKING RULES, RIGHT?

**DMUCHOWSKI** - YES.

A MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC PORTION WAS MADE BY GONZALEZ, SECONDED BY VANTUNO AND CARRIED ON A UNANIMOUS "AYE" VOTE.

A MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS MADE BY VANTUNO, SECONDED BY GONZALEZ

RESOLUTION [A] 12-07-021 - # 1

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 ALLOWS FOR A PUBLIC BODY TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION DURING A PUBLIC MEETING; AND

WHEREAS, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS HAS DEEMED IT NECESSARY TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CERTAIN MATTERS WHICH ARE EXEMPTED FROM THE PUBLIC; AND

WHEREAS, THIS SPECIAL MEETING OF THIS GOVERNING BODY WILL RECONVENE;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LITTLE FALLS WILL GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON(S) AS OUTLINED IN N.J.S.A 10:4-12: ONE (1) PERSONNEL MATTER

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A RESOLUTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION WAS MADE BY GONZALEZ, SECONDED BY VANTUNO AND CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS "AYE" VOTE.

A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY VANTUNO, SECONDED BY PORTER AND CARRIED BY A UNANIMOUS "AYE" VOTE.