

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK**  
**WORK MEETING**  
**September 25, 2014**  
**8:00 p.m.**

The Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Mayor and Council for September 25, 2014 was called to order by Municipal Clerk Keith Kazmark at 8:00 p.m. The Statement of Compliance was read.

Whereas, Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of the State of New Jersey requires at the commencement of every meeting a Statement of Compliance be read by the presiding officer.

Now, Therefore Be Advised that the meeting requirements for this meeting have been met by the publishing an annual notice in The Record of Hackensack and Herald News of Woodland Park and by posting such notice in the office of the Borough Clerk as well as in a public place within the Municipal Building and by notifying interested citizens. Said notice was posted on January 1, 2014.

Governing Body members Colletti, Dombrowski, Martino, Pettigano, Vuoncino and Caramagna were present. Also present were Mayor Mola, Borough Clerk Keith Kazmark, Borough Attorney Giuseppe Randazzo, and Borough Engineer Nordan Murphy.

**Public Hearing:**

Steve Backer, Lincoln Avenue, discussed solid waste ordinance being outdated and requested whether the town can require residents to place garbage in receptacles. He discussed wildlife rummaging through bags left on the curbs for pick up. Mr. Kazmark discussed the upcoming bid and the specifications within the bid for solid waste pick up. He further discussed recommendations by the Borough to be placed in the annual waste watchers handbook.

**Work Meeting Agenda Items:**

**1 – Discussion with Municipal Planner Michael Kauker regarding Market Street Zoning** - Mr. Kauker discussed his report with the Council. He discussed an overlay in the zoning for parking only and limiting the expansion to 50 to 100 feet. Mr. Kauker suggested starting at the 50 ft extension. Mr. Kauker discussed square footage configurations. He further discussed the 2 hour parking being excessive. Mr. Kauker responded to questions by the Council regarding third story buildings. Mr. Kauker discussed the ability for townhouses. Discussion ensued to the impact townhomes would have on the school system and the possibility of one room apartments above the businesses. Councilman Dombrowski inquired as to the current cost incurred by the Borough. Mr. Kauker stated the approximate cost is \$6,000. Councilman Dombrowski inquired as to the next step in this process. Mr. Kauker stated the next step is to draft a zoning ordinance with the Borough Attorney. Mr. Kauker inquired as to how far back the Council authorizes him for the overlay. The Mayor and Council authorized Mr. Kauker to draft a zoning ordinance for review at the October 9, 2014 Work Session.

**2 – ENGINEERING REPORT:**

- a. **2014 Road Program Bid Award** – Mr. Murphy discussed the bids received for the 2014 Road Program and recommended A.J.M. Contractors be awarded the bid. Mr. Randazzo reviewed the bids and agrees on the recommendation. A resolution will be on the October 2, 2104 Regular Meeting agenda awarding the bid.
- b. **Proposal for Design Services – Improvements to Boulevard (Section 8 & 9)** – Mr. Murphy discussed the proposal. Councilman Colletti asked Mr. Murphy to attempt to bring the costs down. Discussion will be held over to the October 9, 2014 Work Session.
- c. **Resolution for NJDOT Grant Application – Boulevard Improvement Project (Section 10)** - A resolution will be placed on the October 2, 2014 Regular Meeting agenda authorizing the submission of the grant.
- d. **2010 Census Blockgroups – CDBG Eligible Areas Map** – Discussion ensued regarding the updated CDBG map.
- e. **2014 Bergen County Open Space Trust Fund Application** – Mr. Murphy stated the Borough was granted an extension for the project. Discussion ensued to future projects and transferring of funding to other parks. Mr. Murphy stated the deadline for the application is October 31, 2014. Discussion ensued regarding the location of the hockey rink. Discussion ensued as to a Parks Capital Plan. Discussion to be held over until the October 9, 2014 Work Session enabling the Recreation Advisory Board to hold a special meeting prior to that date.
- f. **Bergen County Open Space Historic Program – Possible Tank Restoration** – Mr. Kazmark discussed the Historic portion of Open Space Program.

**3 – REQUEST FOR RESOLUTIONS:**

- a. **Release of Engineering Escrow – 109 Midland Avenue** – The Mayor and Council requested a resolution to be placed on the October 2, 2014 Regular Meeting agenda.

- b. **Release of Engineering Escrow – 690 River Drive** – A resolution to be placed on the October 2, 2014 Regular Meeting agenda.
- c. **Reimburse \$25 Deductible for Summer Camp Injury** – A resolution to be placed on the October 2, 2014 Regular Meeting agenda.

**4 – DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

- a. **Recreation Department Report – September 2014** – Accepted without discussion.
- b. **Municipal Court Report – August 2014** – Accepted without discussion.
- c. **Building Department Report – April, June, July & August 2014** – Accepted without discussion.
- d. **Board of Recreation Minutes – July 28, 2014** – Accepted without discussion.
- e. **Library Minutes – July 21, 2014** – Accepted without discussion.

**5 – COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilman Pettigano reported progress.

Councilman Vuoncino discussed a Police Memorial Service that will take place on Saturday, September 27, 2014 by the new Police Monument located on Molnar Avenue.

Councilman Dombrowski inquired why he, as the Board of Health liaison, was not included in a meeting with the Managers from Garfield and Lodi. Mayor Mola stated the meeting was only consisting of the city managers and no other Councilmen would be in attendance. Councilman Dombrowski discussed Mayor Mola approaching homes who have Democratic signs displayed.

Councilman Caramagna discussed an upcoming Grand Opening of a new business on Market Street. He discussed Mayor Mola approaching homes displaying Democratic signs.

Councilman Martino had no report.

Councilman Colletti had no report.

Mayor Mola responded to the comments made regarding him approaching homes with Democratic signs. He discussed attending a meeting at Senator O’Toole’s office regarding the reservoirs in Woodland Park. He discussed a conversation with Building Official Richard Bolan regarding his office obtaining license plate information through the DMV for parking issues. He further stated the cost would be \$40 per vehicle.

**6 – EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a. **Personnel – Department of Public Works**
- b. **Negotiations – PBA Contract**

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to discuss:

**Personnel – Department of Public Works**  
**Negotiations – PBA Contract**

Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the public be excluded from this meeting.

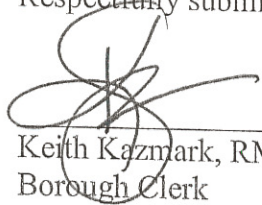
A motion was made by Councilman Pettigano and seconded by Councilman Caramagna to enter into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

**Personnel – Department of Public Works**  
**Negotiations – PBA Contract**

A motion was made by Councilman Dombrowski and seconded by Councilman Pettigano to return to the public session. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Dombrowski and seconded by Councilman Pettigano to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Keith Kazmark', written over a horizontal line.

Keith Kazmark, RMC/CMC/MMC  
Borough Clerk

*Minutes approved at the October 16, 2014 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council.*