

**BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK  
WORK MEETING**

**June 1, 2017**

**8:00 p.m.**

The Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Mayor and Council for June 1, 2017 was called to order by Deputy Municipal Clerk Barbara Dispoto at 8:00 p.m. The Statement of compliance was read.

Council Members Chirido, Dombrowski, Golabek, Work, Vuoncino and Giandomenico were present. Also present were Mayor Robert Colletti, Deputy Municipal Clerk Barbara Dispoto, Borough Attorney Brian Giblin and Borough Engineer Nordan Murphy.

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 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. Notice was posted on January 5, 2017.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

Ken Arabia, Locust Street, reported a fox is in the area and that cars continue to drive the wrong way down Locust Street.

**Work Meeting Agenda Items:**

**1 – BOSWELL ENGINEERING:**

- a. **Market Street & Mola Boulevard Improvements** – The site plans for the intersection were discussed.
- b. **COAH Declaratory Judgement** – A resolution authorizing the outstanding amount due for payment will be placed on the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting agenda.
- c. **Proposal for Recreation Center Generator** – A resolution awarding the proposal submitted by Boswell Engineering will be placed on the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting agenda.
- d. **Proposal for Drug Free School Zone Map** – A resolution awarding the proposal submitted by Boswell Engineering will be placed on the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting agenda.

**2 – Discussion of Tennis Court Agreement** – The Mayor and Council requested a poll of the Recreation Advisory Board before moving forward with further discussion.

**3 – Discussion regarding Make Shift Memorials** – Councilman Dombrowski initiated discussion pertaining to make shift memorials. Mayor and Council decided to take no action regarding this issue.

**4 – Email from Police Department in response to an inquiry regarding speed limit concerns on East 54<sup>th</sup> Street** – The Mayor and Council asked Borough Attorney Brian Giblin to research the legalities of the process to lower the speed limit to 25 MPH. Further discussion will take place at the June 8, 2017 Work Session with input from Chief Foligno.

**5 – Memorandum from Scott Karcz regarding Pump Station Maintenance** – Councilman Chirido discussed the proper maintenance needing to be performed at the pump stations by the Department of Public Works.

**6 – RESOLUTIONS:**

- a. **Municipal Court Collection RFQ** – A resolution will be placed on the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting agenda awarding the court collection proposal.
- b. **Request from JIF to adopt resolution to reauthorize the National Flood Insurance Program** – A resolution will be placed on the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting agenda supporting the reauthorization of the National Flood Insurance Program.

- c. **Request to Release Road Opening Performance Bond – Church Street** – A resolution will be placed on the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting agenda authorizing the release of the road opening performance bond.
- d. **Request to utilize the Borough’s grandstand for St. Leo’s Annual Family Festival** – A resolution will be placed on the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting agenda authorizing the utilization of the Borough’s grandstand by St. Leo’s RC Church.
- e. **Request from Keith Kazmark to buyback 10 vacation days** – A resolution will be placed on the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting agenda authorizing the vacation buy back.
- f. **Recreation Summer Camp 2017 Appointments** – A resolution will be placed on the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting agenda making the appointments for the 2017 Summer Camp program.
- g. **Additional Funding COAH Litigation – Kauker & Kauker, LLC.** – Borough Attorney Brian Giblin requested discussion be held over for executive session.
- h. **Receipt of Bids – Curbside Recycling** – A resolution will be placed on the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting agenda awarding the bid to Gaeta Recycling for a 3 year term.
- i. **Property Maintenance – 191 Franklin** – A resolution will be placed on the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting agenda authorizing the property maintenance.

**7 – ORDINANCES:**

- a. **Prohibition of vaping and/or “E” Cigarettes** – The ordinance amendments will be introduced at the June 15, 2017 Regular Meeting.

**8 – DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

- a. **Library Board Minutes – April 17, 2017** – Accepted without discussion.
- b. **Recreation Department Report – May 2017** – The departmental report was accepted without discussion. A request was made for the Recreation Advisory Board minutes to be submitted as well.

**9 – COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilman Chirido discussed the placement of porta-potties used by privately hired contractors.

Councilman Vuoncino discussed the Library Board meeting and the Building Committee meeting. He also discussed the EPVAC Memorial.

Councilman Dombrowski reported progress.

Council President Giandomenico discussed the Board of Education’s accreditation.

Councilman Work discussed the ongoing Recreation programs and the upcoming Community Day.

Councilman Golabek inquired whether a response regarding the Rails-to-Trails program was received.

Mayor Colletti discussed the Memorial Day Parade.

**10 – 2<sup>nd</sup> PUBLIC HEARING:**

Lorraine Pellegrine, Elm Street, asked the Mayor and Council to reconsider taking away the covered bus shelter by the Market Street and Mola Boulevard intersection.

Denise Ingui, Falmouth Avenue, EPVAC appreciated being included in the Memorial Day Memorial. Thanked the Mayor and Council for pursuing the lower speed limit on East 54<sup>th</sup> Street.

Ken Arabie, Locust Street, discussed State owned property on Slater Drive which has tall grass.

Jeff Freitag, Hillman Drive, discussed the empty rail cars by Mola Boulevard.

**11 – EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a. **Litigation – COAH**

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:

**Litigation - COAH**

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.

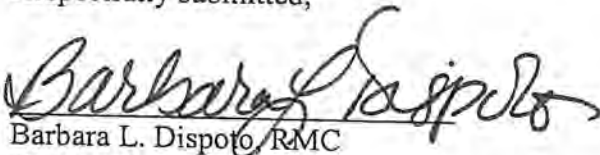
A motion was made by Councilman Dombrowski and seconded by Councilman Chirido to enter into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

**Litigation - COAH**

A motion was made by Council President Giandomenico and seconded by Councilman Chirido to return to the public session. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Council President Giandomenico and seconded by Councilman Chirido to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara L. Dispoto, RMC  
Deputy Borough Clerk

*Minutes approved at the July 20, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council.*