

MINUTES
UNION CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
JANUARY 27TH, 2009

The Work Session of the Union City Borough Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Brumagin. The meeting was held at the City Building.

Councillors present were Brumagin, Bowes, Hinkle, Hoban, Steadman and Tubbs.

Officials present were Borough Manager Cheryl Capela, Mayor Paul Capela, Police Chief Kevin Jones and Street Supervisor Paul Maynard.

There were no visitors present.

RESIDENT COMPLAINED ABOUT SIDEWALKS NOT BEING SHOVELED: Councillor Bowes said he received a call from Mrs. Bowersox of Grant Street. He said that she had contacted the Code Enforcement Officer Shawn Tharp about the sidewalks on Main Street not being shoveled. She said that Shawn Tharp has not done anything about having these sidewalks shoveled.

Councillor Bowes said he will talk with Shawn to see what is being done.

OPEN RECORDS LAW: Councillor Bowes said with all of the emails going back and forth between members of Borough Council. He said he would like to know how much of these emails are under the new "Open Records Law."

He said he would like the Borough Manager to check with the Solicitor on this issue.

STREET LIGHTS: Councillor Steadman said the street lights that he had reported to Chief Jones are still out.

Chief Jones said that these were turned into Penelec. He said he has his Police Secretary keep a log of when they are reported to Penelec.

MAINTENANCE ON DUMP TRUCKS: Councillor Tubbs said he would like to know why the tires fell off the dump truck.

Councillor Steadman said that the weight is what caused the tires to come off. He said other municipalities have had the same problem this year.

Councillor Steadman said he would like to present a maintenance log that the street department employees will be required to use.

Councillor Tubbs said he feels this is a good idea.

Councillor Steadman said he has called around about getting a torque wrench. He said Snap-On wants \$700.00 and SKA wants \$475.00.

Councillor Tubbs said that everyone needs to remember that all purchases have to go through the Borough Manager.

PARKING ISSUES: President Brumagin said he would like to know why the town is not patrolled for illegal parking before the street crew goes out to plow.

Chief Jones said there are times when there is no police officer on duty. He said he has always been available to the street crew.

Councillor Steadman said Sunday mornings are really the issue. He

said he has gone out on Sundays to check on the parking.

Councillor Steadman said there is a car on O'Dell Street that was parked the wrong way all weekend long.

Councillor Tubbs said Borough Council might want to take a look at the towing section of the Ordinance. He said he doesn't think the ordinance pertains to parking lots.

Councillor Tubbs said the part-time officers that work until 4:00 A.M. should be checking the parking lots.

PRESIDENT BRUMGAIN RELINGUISHES HIS SEAT : President Brumagin said at this time he would like to relinquish his seat as President of Borough Council. Vice-President Bowes will now run the meeting.

Councillor Brumagin said he would like it on record that he is here this evening as a concerned citizen of this Borough on the water quality issues. He said he has a packet of information that he would like to present to each member of Borough Council.

He said he wants members of Borough Council to be informed about the water quality in the Borough.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

ATTEST: _____

Borough Manager