

MINUTES
UNION CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MARCH 23RD, 2010

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, McCrillis, Steadman and Tubbs. Councillor Hoban was absent.

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

There were no visitors present.

BOROUGH ASSETS: The Borough Manager said that Councillor Bowes had requested a list of Borough Assets. She said she has completed the list for Borough Council to review.

She said that President Brumagin had requested a list of dilapidated houses in the Borough. She said that Code Enforcement Officer Dave Himes compiled the information for Borough Council to review.

President Brumagin said he would like to know if a letter has been sent to the finance institution in regards to the property known as 4 Center Street. He said if not, he would like the Code Enforcement Officer to proceed in getting a letter sent out as soon as possible.

The Borough Manager said the State Inspector has been working on getting the house removed on 5 Atlantic Street.

Councillor Bowes said he would like to know from the Public Works

Department, what piece of equipment needs to be replaced?

Councillor Steadman said the streets department pickup is not in very good shape. He said the rocker panels on the truck need to be fixed. He said that the Street Superintendent took the pickup over to Mike Megat to see how much he would charge to fix the rocker panels on the truck. He said the cost would be around \$1200.00.

He said the engine on the truck is also going bad.

He said to purchase a new truck, it would cost around \$40,000.00.

President Brumagin said he does not think we need to purchase a new truck. He said that we should look into a used one.

President Brumagin said he would like to know why we still have two road graders. He said that we need to get rid of one of those road graders.

He said it was his understanding that the 1964 Austin Road Grader is in bad shape and that we can no longer get parts for this piece of equipment.

He said that the Borough cannot afford the upkeep on both graders.

Councillor Steadman said that they plan on keeping the 1954 Cat Road Grader.

President Brumagin said that the streets department should look into selling the 1964 Austin Road Grader at a municipal auction.

President Brumagin said that he also noticed on the Asset List that

we still have three heavy duty dump trucks.

The Borough Manager said there is a lot of upkeep on having three trucks.

President Brumagin said that Borough Council needs to consider getting rid of one of the older trucks.

He said he thinks it would be a good idea to undercoat all Borough vehicles. He said he has used Don Holder. He said that Don lives on Sharp Road.

UNION CITY MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY: Councillor Tubbs said that DEP is requiring that the Water Authority do dye testing to see how many residents are illegally hooked up.

Councillor Tubbs asked President Brumagin if he knew how many residents would be in violation.

President Brumagin said a study was done by the Municipal Authority a few years back. He said the study determined the top ten areas that needed to be looked at.

He said the Water Authority Board should check with their employee Darryl Nunemaker about the study that was done.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Chief Jones said he was approached by the Prom-To-Dawn committee to provide security at the Prom-To-Dawn to be held on May 1st from 11:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M. He said this would be seven hours of overtime for the police department.

Councillor Tubbs said he does not have a problem with this. He said to have the Borough Manager figure up a cost to provide

security and submit the cost to the Prom-To-Dawn committee.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: Councillor Steadman said the streets department took in scrap metal to Liberty Iron and Metal. He said with the monies they received, they would like to purchase a jack.

He said that he and the Street Supervisor have been looking into carbide tooling for the road grader. He said this carbide tooling would replace the teeth on the road grader.

Street Supervisor Paul Maynard said the carbide tooling does a better job on graveled roads. He said it digs up more gravel eliminating the holes. He said this will eliminate the number of times we have to grade the dirt roads.

The Borough Manger said it sounds like it would eliminate the amount of gravel that is put on the dirt roads. She said this tool would be very cost effective for the Borough.

Councillor Steadman said that Borough Council needs to think about doing something with the paved part of Washington Street. He said that this section of the road is all torn up.

He said that he and the Street Supervisor will be touring the streets. He said that he will come back with a proposal on what streets need to be put out to bid for this year.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

ATTEST: _____

Borough Manager