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UNION CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL WORK SESSION
AUGUST 24TH, 2010

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

Councillors present were Bowes, Hoban, McCrillis, Steadman and Tubbs. Councillor Brumagin was absent.

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

Visitors present were Yvonne Price.

BRIDGE STREET BRIDGE PROJECT: Yvonne Price of 9 Bridge Street said she is here this evening to discuss the Bridge Street Bridge Project. She said she would like to know when this Bridge is going to be finished.

She said the foreman of the Bridge Project refuses to talk to her.

Vice-President Bowes said this Bridge Project is not the Boroughs project.

She said that she understands that, but she is wondering if there is anything that Borough Council can do to speed things up

PSAB OFFERS NEW PROGRAM FOR MEMBERS: The Borough Manager said she has a letter from PSAB announcing the availability of a new program the "Cable-Telecom Alliance of Municipalities" providing legal assistance and advice on cable and telecommunications issue facing boroughs throughout the state.

She said the cost for PSAB members is \$200.00 renewable on a calendar year basis.

She said she is wondering if Borough Council would be interested in joining.

Vice-President Bowes said to place this item on the September Agenda.

BOROUGH CODE BOOKS: The Borough Manager said she has received new Borough Code Books to distribute this evening.

OCCUPANCY PERMIT: Vice-President Bowes said that Solicitor Timothy Wachter was to give to the Borough Manager three ordinances for Borough Council to review in regards to occupancy permits.

The Borough Manager said she did receive the ordinances and has them ready to pass out this evening.

Vice-President Bowes said he would like to know if Borough Council is interested in moving forward with this ordinance.

Councillor McCrillis said he is not in favor of this ordinance.

Councillor Steadman said he is not in favor of this ordinance.

Councillor Tubbs said according to Attorney Wachter, this ordinance would require an inspection of water, sewer and also electric.

He said he feels this needs to be done. He said currently, the law does not require an inspection.

Mayor Bill Hinkle said he is not in favor of this and once again, the

government is trying to tell people what to do.

Councillor McCrillis said his insurance company had required him to have an inspection.

Vice-President Bowes said probably some banks do require an inspection prior to the seller being able to transfer the title over to the prospective buyer.

Councillor Tubbs said it is required when you are selling your home that you must disclose anything that is wrong with your home.

He said Borough Council might want to contact the Solicitor to check into the current Disclosure Law for Real Estate.

PUBLIC WORKS: Councillor Steadman said the paving is complete.

Street Supervisor Paul Maynard said the DSA on Pleasant Street will begin this Thursday.

He said he is getting complaints about the Water Authority's manhole covers. He said when they are jack hammering around these manhole covers, they are not filling them back in which is causing a sink hole.

He said the Atlantic Street Storm Sewer Project will begin August 30th.

He said the Ford Dump Truck will not pass inspection due to the dump body on the truck.

He said he has spoken with the Borough Manager about this and he has been asked to check on getting a price of replacing the dump body and also check to see if it would be possible to take the dump body off the GMC and fit it to the Ford.

He said they will be fixing the catch basin at the Fire Hall.

Councillor McCrillis said there is a hole on Parade Street that needs to be fixed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Police Chief Kevin Jones said interviews for a police officer will be held Monday evening.

PARKS AND RECREATION: Councillor McCrillis said the movie night in the park has not been going well this year. He said the last one for the year will be held Saturday, September 11th, 2010. He said the movie is the "Blind Side".

STREET SUPERVISOR RECEIVES A THANK YOU: Councillor Steadman said he would like to thank the Street Supervisor for getting the paved part of Washington Street repaired.

UNION CITY PRIDE: Vice-President Bowes said Union City Pride will be asking Borough Council to forgive the taxes for the properties that they currently own along with the lien on the Foster Property.

He said the School District has already been approached about forgiving the school taxes and they will be taking official action at their September School Board Meeting.

He said he will have the Borough Manager place this on the September agenda for Borough Council to consider.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:14 P.M.

ATTEST: _____

Borough Manager

