

# TOWN OF DOVER MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

# CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES March 10, 2015 7:00 PM

The Caucus Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held in council chambers, 37 N. Sussex Street, Dover, New Jersey.

Mayor Dodd called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald, Toth and Mayor Dodd

Also present were Municipal Clerk Margaret Verga, Administrator Donald Travisano and Attorney Downs

Clerk Verga stated adequate notice was given to the official newspaper

# SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions set forth in the Open Public Meeting Law, notification of this meeting has been sent to all officially designated Town newspapers and notice is posted in the Town Hall.

# MUNICIPAL CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1. Public Hearing Notice Randolph Township Zoning Board of Adjustment 989 Route 10 and 64 Canfield Avenue aka Block 44 Lots 1&2 and 56
- 2. Women in Municipal Government Present 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Women in Municipal Government Day on Friday, March 20, 2015
- 3. Invitation to the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Red, White and Blue Ceremony on March 22, 2015
- 4. News from the Land Conservancy of New Jersey title "Outdoor Issues" February 2015
- 5. Informational packet from the Morris County Division of Mosquito Control

### CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Resolution Authorizing Postponement of Mortgage for 9 West Cooper Street
- 2. Resolution Approving Municipal Tax Redemption for 49 Summer Avenue

# **AGENDA ITEMS:**

### RESOLUTIONS

- 1. Resolution Approving Bills List
- 2. Resolution Approving Transfer Resolution
- 3. Resolution Waiving Sidewalk Requirement for Block 0809 Lot 05
- 4. Resolution Approving Limos
- 5. Resolution Approving Reorganization Meeting Minutes for January 1, 2015
- 6. Resolution Approving Mayor & Board of Aldermen Meeting Minutes for January 13, 2015
- 7. Resolution Approving Mayor & Board of Aldermen Meeting Minutes for January 27, 2015
- 8. Resolution Approving Special Permit for a Social Affair to be held on March 28, 2015
- 9. Resolution Approving Raffle License Schedule A

Mayor Dodd appointed Brian Gorski as an Alternate II member of the Board of Adjustment (Mayor's appointment).

Alderman Picciallo will abstain from line item 15-00363 and 15-00404 on the bills list.

Alderman Visioli will vote no on resolution #4 – resolution approving limos

Alderwoman Romaine asked the age limit requirement on taxi and limousines. It was answered there is no age limit on limos, but taxis can only be 10 years old.

1

# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES March 10, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held in council chambers, 37 N. Sussex Street, Dover, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dodd at 7:07 pm

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald, Toth and Mayor Dodd

Also present were Municipal Clerk Margaret Verga, Administrator Donald Travisano and Attorney Downs

Municipal Clerk Verga stated adequate notice was given to the official newspaper.

Mayor Dodd opened the meeting to the public on any agenda items. Seeing no hands and hearing no voices, Mayor Dodd closed the meeting to the public.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT:** The following remarks were made:

Mayor Dodd thanked and complimented the department of public works for their hard work during this extreme
winter. He noted that the ordinance regarding parking on snow covered streets is still being researched.
Alderman Rutan expressed that he lives on Maple Avenue and alternate side of the street parking has worked
very well. Alderwoman Romaine encouraged residents to use their driveways.

**ATTORNEY REPORT**: Mr. Downs reserved his report.

### CONSENT AGENDA

### CONSENT TO POSTPONENT OF MORTGAGE FOR LUZ M. BALTODANO - 9 WEST COOPER STREET

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Dover Rehabilitation Program (the "Program") provides financial assistance for the rehabilitation of owner-occupied one-family houses to assist residents in the removal of unsafe conditions in their dwellings, interior improvements and premise repairs; and

**WHEREAS,** Luz M. Baltodano, residing at 9 West Cooper Street, Dover, New Jersey obtained funding (\$ 21,075.00) from the Program on May 28, 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, Luz M. Baltodano, is seeking to refinance her home with a private lender, requiring a Postponement of Mortgage allowing the Program loans to be subject, subordinate, and inferior to the new mortgage; and

WHEREAS, Luz M. Baltodano has requested that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen consent to such Postponement of Mortgage; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, the following:

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen acknowledge and consent to the Postponement of Mortgages, and hereby authorize Donald Travisano, Administrator of the Program, to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the requested Postponement of Mortgage.

Alderman Picciallo has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Rutan and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald, Toth and Mayor Dodd Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: None

# **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on July 17, 2014, a lien was sold on Block 1712 Lot 30, also known as 49 Summer Avenue, Dover, New Jersey for delinquent 2013 taxes; and,

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate 13-00011 was sold to Ebury Fund 1NJ LLC; and,

WHEREAS, redemption fees for Certificate No.13-00011 were received in full.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Town of Dover, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$26,870.96 for redemption payment and premium made at time of sale, payable to TWR as CST Ebury Fund 1NJ, LLC, PO Box 37695, Baltimore, MD 21297-3695.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that two certified copies of this resolution be returned to the Tax Collector.

Alderman Picciallo has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Rutan and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald, Toth and Mayor Dodd Absent: None Abstained: None Nays: None

# **RESOLUTIONS**

# **BILL LIST RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover have examined all bills presented for payment;

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that there are sufficient funds in the account(s) to which respective bills have been charged.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover do hereby approve the bills as listed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the proper officials are hereby authorized to sign the checks for payment of same.

RESERVE ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$19,312.84
CURRENT ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$163,868.62
GENERAL CAPITAL ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$0.00
WATER UTILITY ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$71,086.67
WATER UTILITY RESERVE ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$601.05
WATER CAPITAL ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$0.00
PARKING UTILITY ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$13,653.94
PARKING UTILITY RESERVE ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$0.00
PARKING CAPITAL ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$0.00
ANIMAL CONTROL TRUST ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$0.00
EVIDENCE TRUST ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$0.00
RECYCLING TRUST ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$1,225.00
COUNTY FORFEITED ASSETS TRUST ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$0.00
FEDERAL FORFEITED ASSETS ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$0.00
TRUST/OTHER ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$8,095.88
COAH TRUST Acct claims in the amount of:	\$0.00
TOTAL CLAIMS TO BE PAID	\$277.844.00

# BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following claims have been paid prior to the Bill List Resolution in the following amounts:

CURRENT ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$330,191.62
WATER UTILITY ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$23,692.44
PARKING UTILITY ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$3,287.66
PAYROLL AGENCY ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$165,482.39
UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$325.70
TOTAL CLAIMS PAID	\$522,979.81
TOTAL BILL LIST RESOLUTION	\$800,823.81

TOTAL BILL LIST RESOLUTION

# Alderman Visioli has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderwoman Romaine and passed by the following roll call vote.

Alderman Picciallo abstained from line item 15-00363 and 15-00404 on the bills list.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald and Toth Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: Mayor Dodd

# TRANSFER RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, there appears to be insufficient funds in the following accounts (excepting the Appropriation of Contingent Expenses or Deferred Charges) to meet the demands thereon for the balance of the year, viz: 2014

Accumulated Absence Compensation Trust

**WHEREAS**, there appears to be a surplus in the following accounts (excepting the Appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Down Payments and Capital Improvement Fund) over and above the demand necessary for the balance of the year, viz: 2014

Construction S & W

Code Enforcement S & W Streets S & W

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover (not less than two thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the provision of R.S. 40A:4-58, part of the surplus in the accounts heretofore mentioned be and the same are hereby transferred to the account (excepting the Appropriation for Contingent Expenses or Deferred Charges) mentioned as being sufficient to meet the current demands; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer be and she is hereby authorized to make the following transfers:

FROM		TO	
Construction S & W	5,000	Accumulated Absence Comp Trust	100,000
Code Enforcement S & W	15,000	Library OE	5,800
Streets S & W	80,000		

Alderwoman Romaine has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald, Toth and Mayor Dodd Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: None

# RESOLUTION WAIVING SIDEWALK REQUIREMENT

**WHEREAS**, Richard Barrese will be building a house at the corner of Leonard Street and W. Clinton Street, Block Number 0809 and Lot Number 05; and

**WHEREAS**, Richard Barrese has requested a waiver of the requirement to install sidewalks as there are no existing sidewalks abutting the property; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 39-81, permits the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to waive the sidewalk requirement where there are no existing sidewalks abutting the property upon the recommendation of the engineer; and

WHEREAS, the engineer has recommended the waiver.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover that the request for waiver of sidewalks be approved as there are no sidewalks abutting this property.

Alderwoman Romaine has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Rutan and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald, Toth and Mayor Dodd Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: None

# RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER APPROVING TAXIS/LIMOS TO BE LICENSED IN THE TOWN OF DOVER

**WHEREAS**, the following companies, have applied for a license to operate the vehicle(s) listed below on Schedule A hereto and made a part hereof as taxicab(s)/limo(s) in the Town of Dover; and

**WHEREAS**, the appropriate municipal departments have reviewed the application(s) as required and have no objections to same being licensed as taxicabs/limos;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the taxicab(s)/limo(s) listed below are hereby approved for taxi/limo license(s) in the Town of Dover.

#### Schedule A

### AXELS EXPRESS LIMO AND TAXI

2001 Chrysler	2C4GP44391R315053	OL6353J	NEW			
	FIRST CLASS OF DOVER, LLC					
2003 Lincoln	1LNHM83W73Y608962	OL1459H	RENEWAL			
2003 Lincoln	1LNHM82W33Y607308	OL1627J	RENEWAL			
2004 Lincoln	1LNHM83W34Y611908	OL6354J	RENEWAL			
2006 Lincoln	1LNHM84W26Y631164	OL4018J	RENEWAL			
ELITE LIMO & TAXI SERVICE, LLC						
2003 Lincoln	1LNHM82W43Y653827	OL3453H	RENEWAL			
2006 Dodge	1D4GP24R06B625559	OL4020J	RENEWAL			
2006 Lincoln	1LNHM82V46Y625165	OL4021J	RENWAL			
2007 Lincoln	1LNHM81W67Y623221	OL4019J	RENEWAL			

Alderwoman Romaine has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald, Toth and Mayor Dodd Nays: Alderman Visioli Absent: None Abstained: None

# RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**WHEREAS**, In accordance with the provisions set forth in the Open Public Meeting Law, annual notice has been provided for all Mayor and Board of Aldermen meetings; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover held their Public Meetings, and minutes of those meetings were transcribed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey for approval the minutes for the following meetings:

### January 1, 2015 – Reorganization Meeting

Alderwoman Romaine has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: Alderman Toth

# RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**WHEREAS**, In accordance with the provisions set forth in the Open Public Meeting Law, annual notice has been provided for all Mayor and Board of Aldermen meetings; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover held their Public Meetings, and minutes of those meetings were transcribed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey for approval the minutes for the following meetings:

# January 13, 2015 - Caucus & Regular Meeting

Alderman Visioli has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: Alderman Toth

# RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**WHEREAS**, In accordance with the provisions set forth in the Open Public Meeting Law, annual notice has been provided for all Mayor and Board of Aldermen meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover held their Public Meetings, and minutes of those meetings were transcribed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey for approval the minutes for the following meetings:

January 27, 2015 - Caucus & Regular Meeting

Alderwoman Romaine has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald and Mayor Dodd Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: Alderman Toth

### RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, Casa Puerto Rico, Inc., filed an application for their **third** Special Permit for a Social Affair to be held at the 50 W. Blackwell Street; and

WHEREAS, Casa Puerto Rico, Inc., a non-profit organization is permitted to have twenty-five events per year; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief will determine what special conditions if any are needed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the following applications for Alcoholic Beverage Social Affair Permit(s) be approved:

- 1. Casa Puerto Rico is approved for an event to be held on Saturday, March 28, 2015 (#3) from 8:00 pm through 2:00 am.
- 2. This approval is conditioned upon security satisfactory to the Town of Dover Chief of Police being in place for this event.

Alderwoman Romaine has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald, Toth and Mayor Dodd Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: None

# RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER APPROVING OF RAFFLE LICENSES

WHEREAS, the below listed organizations have applied for a Raffle/Bingo License; and

**WHEREAS**, such licenses have been reviewed by the appropriate departments and found to meet with all of the requirements and conditions of the municipality;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

The below listed raffles for the date set forth following their names are hereby approved:

#### Schedule A

Mt. Zion Baptist Church Inc To be held March 28, 2015 (Tricky Tray)

Alderwoman Romaine has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald, Toth and Mayor Dodd Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: None

Mayor Dodd updated the public on the redevelopment project. A meeting took place with both redevelopers. Mayor Dodd noted that the New Jersey Department of Transportation updated the town that the completion date for the Prospect Street Bridge is scheduled for the end of 2015.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

<u>Ms. Gorski</u> – 9 Summer Avenue – She wanted to know if there's restriction on parking for commercial vehicles. The ordinance on oversized vehicles was explained. Ms. Verga also explained the limos have to be parked in a driveway during overnight hours. Mayor Dodd noted that it will be looked into.

<u>Connie Sibona - Foster</u> – 90 Penn Avenue – She wanted to know the status on the animal cruelty ordinance that was adopted in the City of Plainfield. She wanted to know if the town applied for the safe route to school grant. Mayor Dodd noted that the town applies every year.

Mayor Dodd reminded the public about the annual Easter egg hunt.

Alderwoman Blackman reminded that board to support the Red, White and Blue ceremony which honors police, firefighters and EMTs.

Motion to adjourn made by Mayor Dodd at 7:20 pm, and duly seconded by Alderwoman Romaine passed by the following voice vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Picciallo, Romaine, Blackman, Rutan, Noriega, MacDonald, Toth and Mayor Dodd Nays: None Absent: None Abstained: None

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret J. Verga, Municipal Clerk