

**TOWNSHIP OF WYCKOFF
WORK SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2007**

Mayor David N. Connolly opened the Work Session Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the second floor west wing conference room.

Municipal Clerk Santimauro read the Open Public Work Session statement: "This regular Work Session Meeting of the Wyckoff Township Committee is now in session. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting appears on our Annual Schedule of meetings. A copy of said Annual Schedule has been posted on the Bulletin Board in Memorial Town Hall; a copy has been filed with the Municipal Clerk, The Record, The Ridgewood News and the North Jersey Herald and News – all newspapers having general circulation throughout the Township of Wyckoff. At least 48 hours prior to this meeting the Agenda thereof was similarly posted, filed and mailed to said newspapers."

Present: Mayor David N. Connolly, Committeemen Harold Galenkamp, Joseph B. Fiorenzo and Richard C. Alnor.

Also Present: Township Administrator Robert J. Shannon, Jr., Township Attorney Robert Landel and Municipal Clerk Joyce C. Santimauro

Absent: Committeeman Henry J. McNamara

Mayor Connolly opened the meeting for the ten (10) minute public comment period. There was no public comment at this time.

Committeeman Galenkamp motioned to close the public comment period, seconded by Committeeman Alnor with an affirmative voice vote.

Mayor Connolly indicated the Finance Committee was reviewing and signing vouchers.

Township Committee Report:

1. Mayor Connolly reported that Wyckoff's Annual Recreation Baseball and Softball Parade will take place on Saturday, April 14, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. It begins at Memorial Field and proceeds onto Monroe Avenue, across Wyckoff Avenue and concluding at the Wyckoff Community Park.
2. Committeeman Fiorenzo reported that the Township continues to move forward with the PBA negotiations.

Policy Action Items:

1. The Administrator reported that the process for selecting a Township Engineer is moving forward. Additional interviews are scheduled for this week and he requested a Closed Session for Tuesday, April 17, 2007 with the Township Committee and finalists. The Township Committee approved.
2. The Wyckoff Fire Department has proposed to conduct a 100th Anniversary Parade on Labor Day. The Fire Department contacted the Wyckoff Chamber of Commerce who agreed to have a special sale day as one of the day's events. Later that day, the Annual

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Fire Department Fireworks Fundraiser will complete the festivities. The Township Committee approved.

3. The Annual "Team Up to Tidy Up" Day was held on Saturday, March 31, 2007. Volunteers come together to raise awareness against littering in the municipality. Litter is collected from various locations with volunteers assigned to designated areas throughout the Township. A record number of volunteer participants helped to make "Team Up to Tidy Up" Day a great success. Seventy-eight (78) bags of trash and thirty-four (34) bags of commingled recyclable materials were collected from twenty (20) quasi-public sites.
4. The Zoning Officer will schedule a meeting with the Township Attorney to review a number of issues including the complaint letter received concerning "port-a-johns" at Rousseau's Nursery.
5. The Administrator reported that the Township's application for a SHARE Grant to study consolidation with Midland Park has not yet been approved by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs. John DeRienza, Assistant Executive Director of the Northwest Bergen Sewer Authority advised that if the application was forwarded to Mr. DeRienza, he would assist with obtaining approval of the grant application. The governing body instructed the Administrator to send the application to Mr. DeRienza.
6. A question was asked why the owner of 256 Madison Avenue has not started the work. The Administrator reported that all required sureties and back taxes were recently paid. Building permit application is under review.

Review of the 8:00 p.m. Agenda:

1. The Administrator reported the Agenda is presented with one (1) addition; a resolution declaring the week of April 28 – May 6, 2007 as "Safe Kids Week." Between the months of May and September, nationwide children suffer injuries. The purpose of the resolution is to raise awareness to assist with prevention. The Wyckoff Police Department issues and will continue to issue public service announcements regularly to local newspapers focusing on safety topics such as bicycle safety, swimming pool safety and traffic/pedestrian safety.

Township Attorney Report:

1. A letter was received from a resident on Woodbury Drive requesting the Township adopt a state model ordinance concerning noise. Mr. Landel advised that the Township of Wyckoff has an existing ordinance and residents have the ability to contact the Bergen County Health Department which provides a regionalized service of noise evaluation and abatement. The Police Chief and Zoning Enforcement Officer recommended against its' adoption. Mr. Landel emphasized that to amend the existing Township ordinance as requested by the resident to reflect the state code would be a duplication of service

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since the County provides this on a regionalized basis. The Township Committee agreed.

2. Mr. Landel distributed a copy of a draft Growth Share Ordinance and reported on several additional changes. The draft ordinance was amended to indicate if a court determined that growth share ordinances were invalid, the development fee ordinance, which is already in place, would apply. Also, the ordinance requires an applicant who is submitting an application before the zoning or planning board which would apply to the growth share ordinance to submit an affordable housing production plan. This would be part of the completeness review. A discussion ensued on the need to precisely define what would be included in the affordable housing production plan to advise the applicant what its' contents would consist of in addition to setting it forth for evaluation. The Township Committee determined to carry this item for further review and discussion.
3. Mr. Landel reported he had a conversation with representatives from the Northwest Bergen Sewer Authority. He was advised that the meeting between Wyckoff Officials and Authority Staff previously reported where Wyckoff requested financial assistance for residents privately extending sewer mains was received positively at the Authority. The Township Committee asked Mr. Landel to contact Authority Counsel to followup.

The Work Session Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

David N. Connolly
Mayor

Joyce C. Santimauro
Municipal Clerk