

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
October 22, 2013
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

SALUTE TO COLORS

Mayor Maio invited all those present to stand in a salute to colors.

MAYOR'S STATEMENT AS TO COMPLIANCE WITH P.L. 1975

Adequate Notice of this Meeting has been provided according to the Open Public Meetings Act, Assembly Bill 1030. Notice of this Special Meeting was sent to the New Jersey Herald and the Daily Record on September 27, 2013 and was placed on the Official Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building.

In the event the Mayor and Council have not addressed all items on this Agenda by 11:00 PM and they are of the opinion that they cannot complete the Agenda in a reasonable time period, the Mayor and Council may exercise their option to continue this meeting at an agreed to date, time and place within ten (10) days of this meeting. Please turn off all cell phones for the duration of this meeting.

ROLL CALL

Council Members:

Councilwoman Zdichocki – Present	Councilman Depew – Present
Councilman Thornton – Present	Councilwoman Thistleton – Present
Councilwoman Kuncken – Absent	Councilman Benson – Present

(Councilwoman Kuncken arrived at 6:05PM)

Mayor Maio – Present

COUNCIL DISCUSSION – Open House: Water System Improvement Project

Mayor Maio stated that tonight's meeting is an open house forum to discuss the Water System Improvement Project. This is the largest project that the Borough has undertaken since the sewers were installed many years ago. Mayor Maio stated that Mr. Lee Purcell and Mr. John Black, representatives from Purcell Engineering, are here this evening to answer any questions. Members of the Governing Body are also present to provide residents with information regarding the project. Several maps providing details of the project were on display. Printed handouts were also available.

Mayor Maio opened the meeting to the public. A member of the audience asked if the taxes will be increased. Mayor Maio replied that the taxes will not be raised. Mayor Maio stated that for the last several quarters the Borough reconfigured the water and sewer bills. The fixed rate for the sewer side of the bill was reduced and the rate for the water side was increased by the same amount. This has allowed the amounts billed for the water and sewer payments to remain the same and will provide the funds necessary for repayment of the loan. Mayor Maio stated unless there is some egregious problem, there will be no increase in taxes as a result of this project. Those in attendance were asked to sign the sign in sheet and meet with the representatives to have their questions answered.

This was the first Special Meeting regarding the Water System Improvement Project. Approximately 60 residents attended this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councilwoman Zdichocki, seconded by Councilwoman Kuncken, and unanimously carried by voice vote the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Approved:

Linda Chirip
Deputy Clerk