

**Borough of Pine Hill  
Council Meeting  
November 5, 2012  
Pine Hill Borough Municipal Building  
7:30 P.M.**

Mayor Green called the meeting to order. He asked everyone to stand for the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Deputy Clerk, Patricia Hendricks delivered the Sunshine Law and the awareness for the town.

Roll Call: Councilman Warrington-present, Councilwoman McCullen-present, Councilman Knott-present, Councilman Shultz-present, Councilman Jaxel-present, Councilman Robb-present, Mayor Green-present, Mrs. Bileci-present, Mrs. Hendricks-present, Mr. Patterson-present, Mr. Cray-absent, Mr. Cardis-absent

**Proclamation: RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING MILITARY SERVICE OF  
THOMAS JONES IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS**

Mayor Green reported that he received a call approximately a month and a half ago from Mr. Jones's wife asking him if he would be available on a particular Saturday to come over and meet with Mr. Jones because he was receiving a congressional medal of honor. Unfortunately, Mayor Green stated that he had previous commitments and could not make it. He offered Mr. and Mrs. Jones the opportunity to come before council and recognize Mr. Jones for his service to our country. He stated that Mr. Jones was a little hesitate, however Councilman Robb has been friends with him for a number of years and was able to talk with Mr. Jones. Mayor Green stated that tonight we are very fortunate and it is a pleasure to have Mr. Jones come before Council to be recognized for his service.

Councilman Robb reported that in talking to Mr. Jones he shared a story that he had never heard. Councilman Robb commented that for no other reason Mr. Jones should let us acknowledge this and bring the story forth. Councilman Robb read the story which referenced the Montfort Point Marines it stated that on June 27 of this year; a United States Marine Corp was awarded the congressional gold medal for their service to our country known as the Montfort Point Marines. He stated that they were the first African American Recruits to join the Marines. He commented that they take the name from the Montfort Point Facility which is a satellite camp of the Marine Corp Base Camp LeJeune. He stated that from its inception until 1942 Marine Corp refused to recruit African Americans, American Indians and other minorities. He stated that in 1941 President Franklin D Roosevelt issued an Executive Order 8802 requiring Marine Corps to accept blacks and forbidding discrimination by military contractors and the Corps began recruiting African Americans in 1942. He said that the Marines first black recruits received basic training at the segregated Montfort Point Base adjacent to Camp LeJeune. Councilman Robb commented that between 1942 and 1949 Montfort Point was the recruit depot for black recruit training and 21,000 African Americans joined within that period. He stated that in 1948 by Executive Order 9981 President Harry S Truman ordered the military to emigrate and Camp Montfort Point was closed to recruit training in 1949.

Mayor Green read and presented the Proclamation to Mr. Jones recognizing his outstanding military service for receiving the highest civilian honor a congressional gold medal in the United States Marine Corp.

Mr. Jones commented that on the 16<sup>th</sup> of October 12 marines came to his back yard and presented him with the congressional gold medal. He stated he felt so good that day and now tonight he is standing here. He commented that getting the congressional gold medal is quite an honor being the highest civilian award that a civilian can get in the United States and I have one. He said being here tonight and receiving

this is the second best thing that has happened to him this year. He stated that he knows how Lou Gehrig felt when he said "I am the luckiest man in the world". Mr. Jones thanked Mayor and Council very much for the recognition that was given him.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 1, 2012  
October 15, 2012  
October 15, 2012 (Closed Session)

Motion to approve: Councilman Robb, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Shultz  
All in Favor: 4 yes votes

Mayor Green asked Council if there were any matters to be discussed. Council had no matters to be discussed.

### ORDINANCE #2012-895: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE HILL, CAPTIONED "ADMINISTRATION"

Public Hearing

Mayor Green read the Ordinance

Mayor Green opened the floor to the public.

No one spoke on behalf of the ordinance.

Motion to close the floor to the public: Councilman Shultz, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Jaxel

All in favor: 6 yes votes

Motion to move Ordinance #2012-895: Councilman Warrington, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Knott

Roll Call: 6 yes votes

### ORDINANCE #2012-896: AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$51,292.32 TO BE USED FOR WEST THIRD AVENUE ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF PINE HILL, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

First Reading

Mayor Green read the Ordinance

Motion to move Ordinance #2012-896: Councilwoman McCullen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Robb

Roll Call: 6 yes votes

### ORDINANCE #2012-897: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FEE FOR NON SUFFICIENT FUNDS

First Reading

Mayor Green read the Ordinance

Motion to move Ordinance #2012-897: Councilman Shultz, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Robb

Roll Call: 6 yes votes

RESOLUTION # 2012-143: RESOLUTION AWARDING BID FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACT FOR THE BOROUGH OF PINE HILL

Motion to Move Resolution #2012-143: Councilwoman McCullen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Jaxel  
Roll Call: 6 yes votes

RESOLUTION #2012-144: RESOLUTION APPROVING 2013 SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY OF CAMDEN COUNTY, INC FOR SHELTER SERVICES

Motion to Move Resolution #2012-144: Councilman Knott, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Jaxel  
Roll Call: 6 yes votes

Mayor Green made a motion to open to the public.

Walt Davis – 1 Franklin Avenue

Walt Davis asked if Ordinance 2012-895 was an upgrade from criteria's that the Borough had before. He commented that it must have been something that the Borough had to make sure that the company was qualified to come in and do any kind of work in the Borough.

Mr. Patterson stated that what this does is it sets criteria on how much anyone can contribute to a political campaign. He commented that if you contribute more than a certain amount then you cannot be considered for a professional service contractor.

Walt Davis asked the Administrator Bileci about the work over on Franklin Avenue regarding the general contractor and the notices that he received from Arawak Paving Company that they were going to do the curb and pavements. He asked if they are the main contractor.

Administrator Bileci stated that they are the main contractor. She commented that it was subbed out to Lexa for the curb work.

Walt Davis stated that Arawak subbed out the curb, pavements, handy cap ramps and driveways. He asked who is going to do the re-surfacing.

Administrator Bileci stated that Arawak is going to do the re-surfacing.

Walt Davis asked if Lexa is covered by the Borough in regards to insurance and everything that is needed apart from Arawak.

Administrator Bileci stated that when they submit their bid documents to the Borough, their subs have to have all the proper certifications with regards to insurance and indemnity. She commented that when the bid specs are prepared it is one of the requirements that the sub-contractors are as well insured and provide all of those insurance certificates. She stated that it is part of the check list, so that when the bid is approved that is one of the items that are reviewed to make sure that it is compliant. She commented that Lexa does have the proper certifications and insurance requirements covered under the contract.

Walt Davis commented on Franklin Avenue. He stated that on Wednesday morning he met with a representative of the Engineering Company and told him that it looked like they were getting ready to jack hammer and put the diamond blade saw down here and start cutting this out. The representative commented to Walt Davis that he did not think that it was going to be done for about two weeks. Walt

Davis commented that they cannot just come in here and do what they what to do just because they are contractors.

Mayor Green asked Mr. Davis if he had any questions for council. Mayor Green stated to Mr. Davis that he could come into the Borough during the day during office hours to speak with the Administrator if he had complaints about the contractor.

Mr. Davis commented on Franklin Avenue from Cross Keys to Ramblewood and the condition of the roadway within the past 16 years. He stated that you do not even know you are going over a bump. He commented that he has walked that from one end to the other three or four different times and there is no hair line cracks in that street at all. Mr. Davis stated that his point is why did the re-surfacing have to be done in that part? He reported that when you go down toward Ramblewood there is one spot there where they never for some reason they let it keep getting bigger and bigger the rut down there. He feels that it should have been filled up with an asphalt patch at some time three or four years ago. Mr. Davis requested to see the original contract that was written up, how it was written up, who signed it and how they decided that particular area would be re-surfaced.

Mayor Green stated an application for a grant was filled out over a year ago; it was forwarded over to the state, the state made a decision that they would fund so much for of that street to be repaired and that is where we are at today. Mayor Green reported that the Borough received around \$180,000.00 from the State of New Jersey to repair that street.

Mr. Davis stated that on the end of Franklin at Cross Keys #2 is vacant and they took all the bushes down in the front, which made it look a lot worse than what it was. He commented that the new handy cap ramp that they are putting in there is right off of Cross Keys Road, right there are five paves' of walkway and every one of them is all busted up, there is no way that somebody with a wheel chair could safely go over any of them. He stated that they are putting all of this money into these handy cap ramps which is basically what a lot of this is about because of re-surfacing the code says that the handy cap ramp has to have a certain pitch to it, but there is no provision to do anything with this walkway where even if they got up the handy cap ramp they cannot use the walkway anyway. He stated that is why he wants to see how this was written up whether it was a year ago or two years ago.

Motion to close to the public: Councilman Warrington, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Shultz  
All in Favor: 6 yes votes

Mayor Green wanted to thank all the members of the Borough employees, both the Police Department, Public Works, Borough employees here in the Borough Hall for their hard work and dedication during the Hurricane Sandy last week. He stated that the Borough Hall was open both days and fully staffed both days. He also wanted to thank the members of the Pine Hill Fire Department who not only responded to several calls, but also had a crew the entire time so that if there was any damage they would be able to respond very quickly. He said that he appreciated everyone's cooperation and participation. He commented that fortunately for Pine Hill we missed the storm, a few trees down but it could have been a lot worse had the storm come ashore 50 miles south of where it did.

### **Council Reports:**

Councilman Warrington reported that the Christmas Parade is moving forward. He stated that there will be a meeting Wednesday at 7:30 for the public. He said that he will be walking Veterans Park tomorrow with the Administrator tomorrow to go over how the decorations have been done in the past. He reported that notices will be going out to the schools and the Fire Department notices have already went out. He stated that the Christmas Parade announcements are on Facebook and out on the web. He said that they will be also be using the global connect like they did before with the school.

He commented on the EOM, they opened up the Emergency Management Center and they did a couple of things differently this year. He said they had some pre meetings before this potential disaster although the Mayor thanked some people he wanted to make a point of thanking both the Administrator and the Mayor for making sure that happened even though the Mayor could not be at the meetings he made sure he phoned in so that he was present and involved right from the beginning. He stated that from someone who has been a former fireman and involved in emergency management as the Mayor has been that support was very much appreciated. He commented as well as the Administrator and Mr. Buchanan who was at the meeting and a couple of people that were heavily involved as well even the morning of the storm. He reported that the coordination was excellent the Police Chief and Officers we're there, John Greer from the Fire Department and Emergency Management, Bill Buchanan was involved right from the beginning as well as his department employees to keep the storm drains open. He reported that Mr. Hassett was there to initiate and coordinate the MUA employees and all of their assistance if necessary. He commented that the Fire Department has been down the shore a couple of times already with crews helping out with Hurricane Sandy relief. He stated that they used the global connect from the school to notify people during the storm and keep them up to date which turned out to be very effective. He also commented on one of the management tools that they were able to do was numbering of updates, since they had a number of updates thorough the computer updates they numbered them 1 through 14 and he would like to thank the Chief for that.

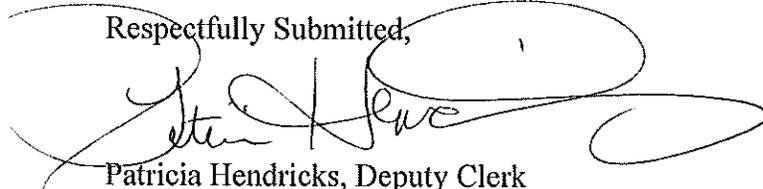
Councilman Shultz commented that since there is a representative from the School Board here he wanted to mention that the High School Marching Band won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the competition and now they are 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the state. He stated that they are going to be in the finals in Maryland this weekend.

Mayor Green gave his congratulations.

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Warrington, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Jaxel  
All in Favor: 6 yes votes

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia Hendricks, Deputy Clerk