

ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROVIDED AS IS REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 231, PUBLIC LAW 1975 AND BY RESOLUTION 2012-14 WITH THE REQUEST OF THE HOME NEWS TRIBUNE AND THE SENTINEL NEWSPAPERS TO PUBLISH SAME AND THIS ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE ENTERED INTO THE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey was held November 26, 2012 and was called to order by Council President Jim Hutchison at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers of the Criminal Justice Building at 61 Main Street in South River, New Jersey with the following Council members in attendance:

Council members Farren, Guindi, Hutchison, Roselli, Trzeciak

Mayor Krenzel and Council member Vaughn were absent.

Also attending this meeting were Joseph Zanga, Chief Financial Officer and Gary M. Schwartz, Esq., Borough Attorney.

Council President Hutchison stated that Mayor Krenzel and Councilman Vaughn were unable to attend this meeting. There is only one item on the agenda which is land acquisition for firehouse. Council President Hutchison noted that the Mitchell Architects report of May 2012 indicated that the Knights of Columbus and adjoining property were an ideal location for firehouse. The Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney were authorized to negotiate a possible contract with the land owners and negotiations are ongoing. Fire Department Officers and Building Committee were also present at the meeting to talk about the land acquisition. Councilman President stated at this point in time the governing body will go into executive session. The Fire Department Officers and Building Committee were invited into the executive session to get their input on the acquisition.

The Clerk read the resolution for executive session into the record.

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 permits the exclusion of the general public from a meeting of the Governing Body under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River are of the opinion such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex of the State of

New Jersey, that with the exception of representatives of the South River Fire Department, the public be excluded upon the hereinafter specified subject matter and that such subject matter to be so discussed is as follows:

- Acquisition of Property for Firehouse

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such record of the above discussion will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required.

DATED: NOVEMBER 26, 2012

/s/ Donna Farren  
Councilmember

/s/ John Trzeciak  
Councilmember

Councilman Roselli suggested that the resolution be amended to include that the representatives of the firehouse be included in executive session. Councilman Guindi motioned that resolution be amended to include Fire Dept. representatives' attendance in executive session. Councilman Farren seconded the motion. So carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YEAS: Farren, Guindi, Roselli, Trzeciak, Hutchison  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Vaughn

Executive Session convened at 7:40 p.m.

Councilwoman Guindi moved to go back into open session at 8:10 p.m.  
Councilwoman Farren seconded. So carried.

Councilman Hutchison noted that the Council met in executive to discuss land acquisition for the fire house.

Public Comment (agenda item only)

Nick Gianacopolous, 215 Main St.

- Hoped Council pursues and follows through with the purchase of Knights of Columbus;

town needs a location for firehouse; happy to see it is moving forward.

No further comments were made. Councilman Guindi closed the public portion. Councilman Roselli seconded the motion. So carried.

Council Comments

- Councilman Guindi stated that the Borough has been entertaining the idea of a new firehouse for a very long time and we are now going to move forward with it.
- Councilman Guindi motioned that the Borough Attorney be authorized to finalize a contract with the Knights of Columbus and draft an ordinance for introduction at the December 2, 1012 meeting to acquire the Knights of Columbus property. Councilman Trzeciak seconded the motion.

Council Comments on motion

- Councilman Roselli stated project has been worked on for a long period of time; please to see we are moving forward; happy to get a new firehouse as quickly as possible.
- Councilman Trzeciak stated he is excited to see this come to fruition; it has been a long road; Knights of Columbus property is a great location for firehouse.
- Councilwoman Farren stated there is no doubt a firehouse is needed; firemen safety is needed as well.
- Councilman Hutchison stated he supports motion 100%; glad we are moving forward.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YEAS: Farren, Guindi, Roselli, Trzeciak, Hutchison  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Vaughn

Adjournment

Councilman Roselli moved that this meeting be adjourned at 8:20 p.m. Councilman Farren seconded the motion. So carried.

Respectfully submitted on  
December 14, 2012.

Patricia O'Connor, RMC  
Borough Clerk

Approved at the regular meeting  
held on December 17, 2012