

**MINUTES OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
TOWNSHIP OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS
EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD ON JULY 23, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bruno called the Executive Session to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present - Mr. Delia, Mr. Hall, Mr. Pastore, Mr. Woodruff, and Mayor Bruno were present.

Absent – Mrs. Kingsley, Mr. Pirone

Also Present – Township Attorney Joseph Sordillo, Administrator Linda Cavanaugh and Township Clerk Ana Minkoff.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – Contract Negotiations – Lease with Casablanca 17 LLC
Contract Negotiations – YMCA Land Lease
Contract Negotiations- Chamber of Commerce Street Fair –
Twp. Services**

Contract Negotiations – Lease with Casablanca 17 LLC

Mr. Sordillo stated that he received information from Deena's Delights regarding the summary, he met with them on Friday, most of the issues were nonsense. It was not itemized; he would say the maximum estimate would be \$2,500.00 that may be credited to them. They are requesting a credit for removing floors and putting new floors. The bid stated that it was for a true vanilla box, we should credit only the removal of the floors, the husband did the majority of the work. The next step is to enter into a side agreement to the lease, and issue them a credit.

Mrs. Cavanaugh stated that the wife was in again, there is a disagreement about the air condition; the air condition is for a vanilla box, not for a massive stove.

A discussion continued.

Mr. Woodruff stated that this is taking a lot of time; we should declare a breach of contract or give them the credit.

Contract Negotiations – YMCA Land Lease

Mr. Sordillo stated that we are very close to reaching an agreement. Mrs. Russo informed him that the insurance company is fine with the terms. The YMCA will do the due diligence.

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Contract Negotiations- Chamber of Commerce Street Fair – Twp. Services

Mayor Bruno stated that he received a call from the organizers of the street fair and that they did not realize the fee from Police Department would be so costly. They are requesting a 50% reduction on the Police cost, he asked Tom Barton if they had any money available from the Recreation Department.

Mr. Woodruff asked how much money was made from the event and their books and records should be available for review. He did not know if the Recreation Department played a role, but the Recreation Department does pay our Police Department. He does not think that it is right to ask them for funds. We stated that we would not use township funds for this event. He suggested that they take the hit this year and next year if the Recreation Department gets involved they can partner with them.

Mr. Hall asked what the original deal was.

Mayor Bruno stated that it was supposed to be no cost to us.

A lengthy discussion continued among the Mayor and Council members.

Mr. Pastore stated that it crazy to ask the Recreation Department for funds to pay for the fair.

Mayor Bruno stated that the Recreation Department was asked after the fact.

Mr. Delia said that he would hate to lose it for next year.

Mrs. Cavanaugh stated that Madison negotiated a flat rate for trust work.

There was no agreement on taking funds from the Recreation Department.

Adjourned 7:40 p.m.

Approved: December 15, 2015



Ana Minkoff
Township Clerk