

TOWN OF DOVER <u>MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN</u> CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES April 13, 2010 7:00 PM

The Caucus Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held in council chambers, 37 N. Sussex Street, Dover, New Jersey.

Mayor Dodd called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by the Boy Scout Troop 64 and prayer was given by Rev. Meyers of the First Presbyterian Church asking for guidance and strength to do what is right for our town and our citizens.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Aldermen Poolas, Visioli, Donofrio, Picciallo, Timpani, Blackman and Mayor Dodd Absent: Aldermen Delaney & Romaine

Also present were Administrator Close, Attorney Pennella, and Clerk Verga

Clerk Verga stated adequate notice was given to the official newspaper.

Alderman Picciallo presented a flag to the Boy Scout Troop 64 that flew over the United States Capitol on February 8, 2010 which signified the 100th year anniversary of the Boy Scout Troop. The request to have the flag flown over the United States Capitol was provided by the Honorable Senator Frank R. Lautenberg and presented by Michael & Catherine Picciallo.

Mr. Scott Miller thanked Michael and Catherine Picciallo for thinking of the Boy Scout Troop and thanked the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for supporting the Troop. He expressed that the past 3 years have been a success and noted that there are 32 scouts in the troop from multiple towns.

Mayor Dodd commented that most communities are faced with difficult financial decisions that they have to make and in an attempt to help save taxpayers money the town has reached out to surrounding communities to look at shared services in different areas. He noted that the town has looked into sharing Fire and EMS Services and, if all goes well, the Town of Dover will be entering into an agreement with Victory Gardens. He noted that Chief Berg and Captain Warner attended Victory Garden's town meeting to brief the residents on Dover's ability to provide the services to them. Mayor Dodd expressed that it's a benefit to both communities. Chief Berg explained that they provided the residents with a fact sheet and answered questions. Mayor Dodd noted that Victory Garden's administration wanted to have a couple public input sessions for residents of their community. Mayor Dodd explained that in shared service agreement there's always an element of concern from both sides. Mayor Dodd thanked Chief Berg & Captain Warner for their efforts.

Administrator Close commented that the agreement took a lot of work from previous Chief McDougall, Chief Berg, Captain Warner and Attorney Pennella. Mr. Close thanked them for the information that was provided and their efforts.

MUNICIPAL CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1. Resolution from the Township of Montville Re: Urging conditional veto of Senate Bill S-82
- 2. Ordinance from the Borough of Rockaway Re: Amending Chapter 171, Land Subdivision & Site Plan review
- 3. Ordinance from the Borough of Rockaway Re: Amending Chapter 169, Land Use Administration & Procedures
- 4. Ordinance from Borough of Rockaway Re: Amending Chapter 172, Zoning
- 5. Letter from the Executive Director of El Primer Paso re: Safety/Speeding concerns at the corner of Segur & Losey Streets
- 6. NJ State League of Municipalities' Legislative Bulletin-March 2010
- 7. April-May 2010 Calendar of Events from the County of Morris' Dept. of Human Services
- 8. Letter from Cablevision re: Six new channels
- 9. Letter form Dover Area Historical Society Re: Cell Tower at Richboynton Road
- 10. Letter from Congressman Frelinghuysen Re: Request for Disaster Declaration
- 11. Letter from Dennis Scalera re: Preserving Our Veterans Foot Markers
- 12. Letter from Dover Memorial Association re: Participation in the Town of Dover's Memorial Day Parade
- 13. March's Fire Department Report
- 14. March's Health Department Garbage & Recycling Report
- 15. Affordable housing Information from Centennial Courts in Wharton
- 16. Invitation to the Morris County Alliance for Action Chapter Meeting on April 23, 2010
- 17. Information from the Housing Subcommittee of Morris county Human Relations Commission Re National Fair Housing Month

18. Highlands Council's Annual Report for 2009

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Resolution Approving Mayor & Board of Aldermen Meeting Minutes March 23, 2010
- 2. Approving Recycling Tax Reimbursement Certification
- 3. Tax Redemption for 184 South Morris Street, Block 2101, Lot 20

ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION

1. Ordinance # 03-2010 - Providing for a Handicapped Parking Space at 68 Prospect St.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- RESOLUTIONS
 - 1. Approving Bills List
 - 2. Approving the settlement of a tax court appeal for The Provident Bank
 - 3. Approving transfer of liquor license from Deekays Inc. to D. Rueda LLC (inactive)
 - 4. Approving Special Permit for Social Event for Casa Puerto Rico, Inc on 5/8/2010
 - 5. Approving Special Permit for Social Event for Fiesta de Reyes to be held at Casa Puerto Rico on 6/12/2010

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES April 14, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held in council chambers, 37 N. Sussex Street, Dover, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dodd at 7:18 pm

ROLL CALL

Present: Aldermen Poolas, Visioli, Donofrio, Picciallo, Timpani, Blackman and Mayor Dodd Absent: Aldermen Delaney and Romaine

Also present were Administrator Close, Attorney Pennella and Clerk Verga

Clerk Verga stated adequate notice was given to the official newspaper.

Mayor Dodd opened this portion of the meeting to the public for agenda items only. Seeing no hands and hearing no voices this portion of the meeting was closed.

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Dodd reserved his report for the next meeting. However, he did express that the Little League parade was held on Saturday and congratulated President Victor Rodriguez and the Board of Directors for a very successful day. Mayor Dodd also recognized the Engineering Department and Department of Public Works (DPW) for their assistance with the King Field Concession Stand. He publicly thanked William Isselin for spending multiply days at the concession stand, Michael Hantson for his engineering and planning efforts in the design, Luis Acevedo and the DPW workers in preparing the fields for opening day. Mayor Dodd noted that the US Census Bureau had a table at King Field and also JFK Park to provide information to the residents of Dover.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS (DPW) – Alderman Poolas noted that the recent flood was discussed at the committee meeting and noted that DPW employees assisted with the clean up efforts for 3 solid days. He noted that 100 cubic yards of debris was removed from the streets. He commented that the committee discussed the possibility of moving the dumpsters at the recycling site to a different location where the dumpsters could be maintained in a cleaner fashion. He explained that a fence would be installed behind the dumpsters to keep debris from ending up in the woods. He stated that DPW has been doing spring cleanup in the parks and King Field in preparations for Little League's Opening Day. He noted that DPW will be filling pot holes, this week, on Park Heights Avenue. He explained that 3 sweepers (1 sidewalk sweeper & 2 street sweepers) are working around the clock. He expressed that DPW is in need of a new stripping machine needed to stripe lines in parking lots. He commented that yard waste collection has started but expressed the problem with residents mixing sticks, twigs with grass clippings and leaves. He noted that a tree farm is going to be established in the Water Works Park area and once the trees reach maturity they will be moved to replace trees that are damaged. He noted that a few ward complaints have been given to Mr. Close. He would like the cul-de-sac at the Route 15 made because of the bridge project to have antique lighting, sidewalks, curbing and/or cobble stones at the center of the street.

Mayor Dodd expressed that the town of Dover will accept Clinton Street/Route 15 from the State of New Jersey but not until the improvements have been upgraded (drainage/signalization). Mayor Dodd feels the State of New Jersey should bare that burden and not the municipality. Mayor Dodd noted that it's an excellent suggestion from Alderman Poolas.

PERSONNEL – Alderman Visioli stated personnel issues are being addressed by the committee. He acknowledged the retirement of Fire Official Marty Reynolds and noted that he has been replaced from within. He noted that the committee is in the process of reviewing the policy and procedures manual. He commented that union negotiations are ongoing.

CONSTRUCTION, ZONING, ENGINEERING – Alderman Timpani noted that the construction and zoning departments have been very busy with the repercussions of the flood and also noted the construction of the concession stand. Alderman Timpani thanked all the department heads for their efforts with the flood and noted that information flyers from FEMA are available. He expressed that he and the Mayor will start work on the Mayor's Annual Fishing Derby.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Mr. Close explained that the union contract negotiations are ongoing. He noted that there was a finance committee meeting to look over the budget which has been a challenge with the state cuts. The committee is reviewing the budget carefully to minimize the tax increase and maintain service levels. Mr. Close explained that the Cub Scout Pack will assist with the planting of trees (tree farm) at Water Works Park on Sunday, April 25th. He expressed that the town is very glad to partner with the Cub Scout Pack. Mr. Close announced that the FEMA information is posted on the website and they have a local office in Lincoln Park.

Mr. Close introduced Ulysses Isa as the Census coordinator and noted that the town is very fortunate to have his team (Ulysses Isa, Daniel Ortiz, Manuel Vega and Sonia) in the community. Mr. Close explained that they have done a tremendous job to get participation from the residents.

Ulysses Isa noted that he was assigned to the Morris County area and was told to focus on Dover because the town is considered difficult to enumerate/count. He noted that the initial phase was to increase awareness and change perceptions. He mentioned that a lot of people throughout the state are either unaware of the census or how important it is or have an incorrect perception of what it is. He noted that the census dedicated a lot of time getting involved with town activities (Colombian Festival, Dover's Flea Market, Casa Puerto Rico, train show, Dover Fireworks, Mexican Consultant, Three King event, Little League Parade, etc) They also partnered with organizations and local businesses (library, schools, Hope House, Hispanic Affairs, Zufall Health Clinic, St. Clares, etc.). He also noted that Dover was one of three communities in Morris County that had a visit from the "Census Road Tour Van." Mr. Isa is very proud of the results and announced that Dover is above both the national and state average with mail responses. Mr. Isa clarified that on April 20th, census workers will be knocking on residents' doors who didn't respond to the first mailing of the census.

Mayor Dodd commented that there was some concern from a member of the public about what was being done to make sure that Dover was counted. Mayor Dodd congratulated Ulysses Isa and his staff for getting a high number of responses, which brought the town above the national and state average. Mayor Dodd thanked him and his staff. Mr. Close wished Mr. Danny Ortiz, member of the Census team, a speedy recovery.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT – He noted that Friday will be the return day of the notice of motion to change the venue in the litigation with Jersey City MUA. He received a listing of Morris County Tax Appeals and explained that there has been a drop from last year.

CONSENT AGENDA

<u>RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN</u> <u>OF THE TOWN OF DOVER FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

WHEREAS, In accordance with the provisions set forth in the Open Public Meeting Law, annual notice has been provided for all Mayor and Board of Aldermen meetings; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover held their Public Meetings, and minutes of those meetings were transcribed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey for approval the minutes for the following meetings:

1. March 23, 2010 – Caucus and Regular

Alderman Visioli has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Timpani and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Poolas, Visioli, Donofrio, Picciallo, Timpani, Blackman and Mayor DoddNays: NoneAbsent: Alderman Delaney & RomaineAbstained: None

RECYCLING TAX REIMBURSEMENT CERTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the Recycling Enhancement Act, P.L. 2007, chapter 311, has established a recycling fund from which tonnage grants made to municipalities in order to encourage local source separation and recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, there is levied upon the owner or operator of every solid waste facility (with certain exceptions) a recycling tax of \$3.00 per ton on all solid waste accepted for disposal or transfer at the solid waste facility.

WHEREAS, whenever a municipality operates a municipal service system for solid waste collection, or provides for regular solid waste collection service under a contract awarded pursuant to the "Local Public Contracts Law", the amount of grant monies received by the municipality shall not be less than the annual amount of recycling tax paid by the municipality except that all grant moneys received by the municipality shall be expended only for its recycling program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Dover that the Town of Dover hereby certifies a submission of expenditure for taxes paid pursuant to P.L. 2007, Chapter 311, in 2009 in the amount of \$12,745.32. Documentation supporting this submission is available at 37 N. Sussex St., Dover, NJ and shall be maintained for no less than five years from this date.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED the tax reimbursement is certified by Kelly N. Toohey, Chief Financial Officer of the Town of Dover on March 29, 2010.

Alderman Visioli has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Timpani and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Poolas, Visioli, Donofrio, Picciallo, Timpani, Blackman and Mayor DoddNays: NoneAbsent: Alderman Delaney & RomaineAbstained: None

<u>RESOLUTION</u>

WHEREAS, at the Municipal Tax Sale held on December 1, 2009, a lien was sold on Block 2101 Lot 20, also known as 184 South Morris Street, Dover, New Jersey for delinquent 2008 taxes; and,

WHEREAS, this lien, known as Tax Sale Certificate 08-00045 was sold to Phoenix Funding, Inc; and,

WHEREAS, redemption fees for Certificate No.08-00045 were received in the amount of \$5,587.41.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Town of Dover, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that the Treasurer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$8,087.41 for redemption payment and \$2500.00 premium paid at sale, payable to US Bank CUST for CCTS Capital, 2 Liberty Place, 50 South 16th Street, Suite 1950, Philadelphia, PA. 19102.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that two certified copies of this resolution be returned to the Tax Collector.

Alderman Visioli has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Timpani and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Poolas, Visioli, Donofrio, Picciallo, Timpani, Blackman and Mayor Dodd
Nays: NoneAbsent: Alderman Delaney & RomaineAbstained: None

ORDINANCE NO. 03-2010

ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER PROVIDING FOR HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE AT 68 PROSPECT STREET

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Description for handicap parking space to be located at 68 Prospect Street

Said handicap parking space shall be located along the easterly side of Prospect Street beginning at a point 390 feet south of the southeasterly curbline intersection of Prospect Street and Chestnut Street thence, continuing in southerly direction for a distance of 20 feet.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this within ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 4. The Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with law.

Alderman Donofrio has moved the foregoing ordinance be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Timpani and passed for first reading by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Poolas, Visioli, Donofrio, Picciallo, Timpani, Blackman and Mayor DoddNays: NoneAbsent: Alderman Delaney & RomaineAbstained: None

BILLS LIST

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover have examined all bills presented for payment; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that there are sufficient funds in the account(s) to which respective bills have been charged.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover do hereby approve the bills as listed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper officials are hereby authorized to sign the checks for payment of same.

RESERVE ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$1,775.00
CURRENT ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$423,534.60
CAPITAL ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$3,501.97
WATER UTILITY ACCT claims in the amount of:	
WATER UTILITY RESERVE ACCT claims in the amount of:	
WATER CAPITAL ACCT claims in the amount of:	
PARKING UTILITY ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$2,986.18
PARKING UTILITY RESERVE ACCT claims in the amount of:	
PARKING CAPITAL ACCT claims in the amount of:	
ANIMAL CONTROL TRUST ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$94.20
EVIDENCE TRUST ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$500.00
RECYCLING TRUST ACCT claims in the amount of:	
COUNTY FORFEITED ASSETS TRUST ACCT claims in the amount of:	
FEDERAL FORFEITED ASSETS ACCT claims in the amount of:	
TRUST/OTHER ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$13,023.75
COAH TRUST Acct claims in the amount of:	
DOVER MARKETPLACE INC TRUST ACCT claims in the amount of:	
TOTAL CLAIMS TO BE PAID	\$445,415.70

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following claims have been paid prior to the Bill List Resolution in the following amounts:

CURRENT ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$617,725.73
WATER UTILITY ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$40,673.89
PARKING UTILITY ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$8,068.43
PAYROLL AGENCY ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$253,984.42
UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST ACCT claims in the amount of:	\$565.60
TOTAL CLAIMS PAID	\$921,018.07

TOTAL BILL LIST RESOLUTION

Alderman Timpani has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Picciallo and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Poolas, Visioli, Donofrio, Picciallo, Timpani, Blackman and Mayor DoddNays: NoneAbsent: Alderman Delaney & RomaineAbstained: None

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF DOVER <u>APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT OF A TAX COURT APPEAL THE</u> <u>PROVIDENT BANK, BLOCK 2311, LOT 5</u> <u>2008, 2009 AND 2010 AGREEMENT</u>

WHEREAS, The Provident Bank is the owner of 330 U.S. Highway 46, Dover New Jersey, also known as Block 2311, Lot 5; and

\$1,366,433.77

WHEREAS, the Provident Bank filed appeals with the Tax Court of New Jersey for the years 2008 and 2009 bearing Docket # 002077-2008 and 004836-2009; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has reviewed Answers to Interrogatories and consulted with the expert appraiser for the Town, Robert J. Edgar of Certified Valuations, who has thoroughly reviewed the appeal; and,

WHEREAS, a settlement value of \$550,000.00 total assessment for year 2008, \$1,200,000.00 total assessment for year 2009 and \$1,000,000.00 total assessment for year 2010 was recommended by the expert appraiser for the Town; and

WHEREAS, the taxpayer has accepted the market value offer of judgment; and

WHEREAS, the original assessments and requested tax court judgment are as follows:

2008 Land: Improvements: Total:	Original <u>Assessment</u> \$ 467,300 <u>\$ 585,700</u> \$1,053,000	County Board <u>Judgment</u> None Direct Appeal	Tax Court <u>Judgment</u> \$ 200,000 <u>\$ 250,000</u> \$ 550,000
2009 Land: Improvements: Total:	Original <u>Assessment</u> \$ 623,000 <u>\$ 851,000</u> \$1,474,000	County Board <u>Judgment</u> None Direct Appeal	Tax Court <u>Judgment</u> \$ 623,000 <u>\$ 577,000</u> \$1,200,000

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Total Assessment of \$1,000,000.00 as follows: Land - \$234,100.00 and improvements - \$765,900.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The tax court appeals bearing the above referenced docket numbers are hereby authorized to be settled for the fair market value amounts for year 2008 of \$550,000.00, 2009 of \$1,200,000.00 and \$1,000,000.00 for 2010.

- 2. The settlement shall be paid by tax credit to future tax bills and not by refund.
- 3. The taxpayer must waive interest on the overpaid amounts.
- 4. The Municipal Attorney is hereby authorized to execute a Stipulation of Settlement upon the terms set forth above.

Alderman Timpani has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderwoman Blackman and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Poolas, Visioli, Donofrio, Picciallo, Timpani, Blackman and Mayor DoddNays: NoneAbsent: Alderman Delaney & RomaineAbstained: None

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Deekays Inc., an inactive license in the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey is the owner of Alcoholic Beverage License No. 1409-33-009-002; and

WHEREAS, the present holder Deekays Inc. has consented in writing to such transfer, and

WHEREAS, all applicable fees have been paid; and

WHEREAS, investigating agencies of the Town of Dover have approved; and

WHEREAS, proper advertisement has been made and no objections have been filed with the Town Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, that Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 1409-33-009-002 to be transferred to D. Rueda LLC, as an inactive license.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk is directed to execute the endorsement of said license effective April 14, 2010.

Alderman Timpani has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Visioli and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Donofrio, Picciallo, Timpani, Romaine, Blackman and Mayor DoddNays: NoneAbsent: Alderman Delaney & RomaineAbstained: Alderman Poolas

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Casa Puerto Rico, Inc., filed an application for their **first** Special Permit for Social Affair to be held at the Casa Puerto Rico, which is their **third** event; and

WHEREAS, Fiesta De Reyes, a non-profit organization is permitted to have twelve events per year and Casa Puerto Rico, is permitted to have twenty-five; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief will determine what special conditions if any are needed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Dover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey that the following applications for Alcoholic Beverage Social Affair Permit(s) be approved:

- 1. Fiesta De Reyes is approved for a dance (#1) to be held on Saturday, June 12, 2010 at Casa Puerto Rico, 50 W. Blackwell Street, Dover, NJ (#3) from 8:00 pm through 2:00 am.
- 2. This approval is conditioned upon security satisfactory to the Town of Dover Chief of Police being in place for this event.

Alderman Timpani has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderman Donofrio and passed by the following roll call vote.

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Alderman Timpani has moved the foregoing resolution be adopted and duly seconded by Alderwoman Blackman and passed by the following roll call vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Visioli, Donofrio, Picciallo, Timpani, Blackman and Mayor DoddNays: NoneAbsent: Alderman Delaney & RomaineAbstained: Alderman Poolas

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Three Minutes per Person

<u>NELSON RAMOS</u> – 32 Third Street - Mr. Ramos explained that on his street there's a hazardous condition which involves water and ice. He mentioned that he has talked to Alderwoman Blackman and the Police Department. He noted that one day he lost control of his car due to the dangerous conditions. Mayor Dodd explained that he received a phone call, Saturday morning, of the condition of the road and contacted Administrator Close which in turn he contacted Department of Public Works to address the immediate concern. Mayor Dodd and Mr. Ramos had a discussion about the condition and Mayor Dodd made a

commitment to him that he will visit the site. Mayor Dodd explained that the Town Engineer has been on vacation but once he return they will visit the site and will provide Mr. Ramos with feedback of what could be done.

REVEREND DAVID MEYERS – First Memorial Presbyterian Church, Dover –announced that on April 23rd the church will have been in existence for 135 years. He announced that the church will be hosting several activities from April 23-25th. Reverend Meyers had concerns with the two-hour parking limit on Sundays and provided the board with a petition to have the board to repeal or remove or at least revisit the ordinance. He expressed that members of the church are seniors and do not travel at night for safety reasons so a lot of the activities take place on Sunday and usually exceed two hours. Mayor Dodd will provide the information to the parking committee. Alderman Donofrio echoed that sentiment and the initial thought was that churches wouldn't be impacted.

EMILIANO LEMOS – Mr. Lemos wanted to know if he could be provided with the status and names of the police officers involved in last year's harassment suit where the town paid out \$750,000. Attorney Pennella commented that he's not aware of the settlement. Administrator Close explained that if it's a claim of that magnitude the insurance probably would've settled it. Mr. Close provided Mr. Lemos with the opportunity to meet afterwards to provide him with any information that may be on file. He also wanted to know if the Town of Dover would experience lay-offs. Mayor Dodd noted that currently the finance committee is working with the departments to review their budgets and a possibility for layoffs and cuts in different areas might be needed. However, Mayor Dodd explained that a decision has not been made but the public will be made aware of any action.

PATRICK FAHY – 2 E. Chrystal Street – Mr. Fahy expressed that it's great that the snack stand was built and an excellent job was done. He believes that the town should invest in the youth of Dover as mentioned by the Mayor. Mr. Fahy expressed his concerns with the King Field Complex renovations and only being used as a single use field and would like it to be used as a multipurpose use field. Mr. Fahy mentioned that the master plan states that multi-use facilities will improve the quality of life. He feels that it's wrong if the master plan is ignored. He asked the board to keep in mind when renovating the complex, that multi-purpose fields be kept. Alderman Donofrio wanted to know if the town has a sense on how much money the concept would be above and beyond what is already anticipated. Mayor Dodd noted that he's not aware and it's something that could be looked into.

Motion to adjourn made by Alderman Timpani and seconded by Alderman Visioli at 8:01p.m., and passed by the following voice vote.

Ayes: Aldermen Poolas, Visioli, Donofrio, Picciallo, Timpani, Blackman and Mayor Dodd
Nays: NoneAbsent: Alderman Delaney & RomaineAbstained: None

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret J. Verga, Municipal Clerk