

**Approved Minutes
Open Session
Of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Princeton
January 11, 2011
Regular Meeting
Open Session 7:30 P.M.**

Present: Council President Kevin Wilkes, Councilwoman Jo Butler,
Councilwoman Jenny Crumiller, Councilman David Goldfarb,
Councilwoman Barbara Trelstad, Mayor Mildred Trotman

Absent: Councilman Roger Martindell

Staff Present: Borough Administrator Robert W. Bruschi, Borough Clerk Andrea Lea
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Mayor Trotman called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. and read the open public meetings statement as follows:

“This meeting is called to order pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of January 11, 2011, was included in a list of meetings sent to and advertised in the Princeton Packet and Trenton Times, posted on the bulletin board in the Borough of Princeton municipal building and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the statute. In addition a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk. Proper notice having been given, the Borough Clerk is directed to include this statement in the minutes of this meeting.”

Mayor Trotman asked all present to rise for **Agenda Item C, Salute to the Flag.**

Mayor Trotman read **Agenda Item D, Approval of Minutes.**

Presented for approval were the minutes of the reorganization session of January 2, 2011.

Councilwoman Trelstad moved to approve the minutes of the reorganization session of January 2, 2011, Councilman Goldfarb seconded, and Council approved unanimously.

Mayor Trotman read **Agenda Item E, Public Presentation,** and asked if anyone present wished to address Council with an issue not on the agenda.

Councilwoman Crumiller referred to correspondence about citizen’s service act— inquiring as to applications received for volunteers. Mayor Trotman responded that she follows up on all applications from residents. Councilwoman Crumiller thought Council members should see committee applications in advance. Councilman Goldfarb clarified that Mayor makes appointments and Council consents (or not). Mayor Trotman agreed to distribute committee inquiries to Council.

Seeing no one from the audience, Mayor Trotman closed the public portion.

Mayor Trotman read **Agenda Item F, Report (1) — Princeton Public Library (PPL) 2010 Annual Report** — *Leslie Burger, Director*.

Ms. Burger reported an excellent year for the library in 2010. Although 2010 began with \$100,000 less than 2009, increased library activity during economic downturn meant no pass-through of expenses to users. Ms. Burger stated that PPL achieved significant cost savings through conservative hiring practices and maintained level expenditures for library materials. Ms. Burger shared with Council year-end summary numbers, including number of visitors, number of cardholders, number of items checked out, number of audio books downloaded (new in past two years), and library by mail (funded by a grant).

Ms. Burger announced that volunteerism accounted for the equivalent of a whole full-time worker. She listed increases in English as a Second Language laboratories, Springboard (now in-house for additional grant funding) after-school tutoring, and attendance at 1600 library-sponsored programs.

Ms. Burger mentioned PPL's 100th year, particularly celebrated on Centennial Weekend October 9 and 10, 2010. The endowment goal of \$10 million (to be fully realized in 2015) in time for the 100th birthday was achieved through a frenzied last-minute fund-raising effort.

Ms. Burger noted that PPL saved money by clever purchasing practices of utilities, service contracts, and so forth.

Ms. Burger said that PPL received a license from TEDEX in 2010 to host the New Jersey event. Friends of the Library received \$2500 in recognition of efforts to expand their used book sale—nearly \$90,000 for 2010 up from \$38,000 in previous years.

Upcoming challenges include providing downloadable content. Ms. Burger predicted that CD purchasing will come to an end within the year. The future of library-owned ebooks is uncertain.

For 2011, PPL will continue to work as smartly as possible, with improved documentation and redundancy. Hard copy reference will soon be a thing of the past, Ms. Burger said, with that physical space reclaimed for, perhaps, enhanced meeting facilities. 2011 will see continued promotion and execution of civic engagement with the community.

Ms. Burger mentioned extraordinary corporate support, led by Church & Dwight, which sponsored 100% of the centennial observance.

Councilwoman Trelstad announced that Ms. Burger was named “community leader of the year” by Princeton Area Chamber of Commerce.

Councilman Goldfarb asked about the parking controversy with Princeton Township. Ms. Burger replied that, excepting minor headaches, Spring garage parking works smoothly.

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Ms. Burger provided history of Springboard funding—formerly provided by the school system, now from the in-house foundation and re-funded.

Councilwoman Butler asked about the Firestone Library of Princeton University pass program. Ms. Burger said PPL has passes to lend for major museums such as Guggenheim, Intrepid, and various New York City, Philadelphia, and New Jersey museums. This year PPL hopes to add passes for Firestone.

Mayor Trotman added her thanks to those comments by Council members.

Ms. Burger described a third library book drop at the Dinky station and a proposed book dispensary there (holding up to 800 items) for commuters.

Councilwoman Trelstad moved to accept the 2010 annual library report, Councilwoman Butler seconded, and Council accepted unanimously five to zero.

Mayor Trotman read **Agenda Item G, New Business (1) — Resolution 2011-R30** as follows:

**RESOLUTION 2011-R30
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF PRINCETON
APPROVING A MOTION PICTURE THEATRE LICENSE
APPLICATION FOR THE GARDEN THEATRE FOR THE PERIOD OF
JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2011**

WHEREAS, The Garden Theatre, Inc. located at 160 Nassau Street, Princeton, NJ with a corporate address of 11 Kipp Avenue, Lodi, New Jersey has applied for a license to operate two auditoriums as required by Borough Ordinance 5-29; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Borough Ordinance 5-30 the applicant has submitted an application in writing requesting that the Council approve their application for the use as a movie theatre; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Borough Ordinance 5-32 the Garden Theatre, Inc., has submitted the proper fee in the amount of \$500 for each auditorium totaling \$1,000; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby approve the request of The Garden Theatre, Inc., to operate two auditoriums within the theatre located at 160 Nassau Street for the period of January 1 through December 31, 2011.

Councilwoman Trelstad moved to approve Resolution 2011-R30, Councilwoman Butler seconded, and Borough Council approved unanimously.

Mayor Trotman read **Agenda Item G, New Business (2) — Resolution 2011-R31** as follows:

**RESOLUTION 2011-R31
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE BOROUGH OF PRINCETON
APPROVING THE PLACEMENT OF A BANNER AS REQUESTED
BY THE BLUE POINT GRILL AND SUSAN G. KOMEN FOR THE CURE**

WHEREAS, The Blue Point Grill has planned its annual Oyster Bowl to benefit Susan G. Komen For the Cure/Breast Cancer Research to be held on February 6th, 2011 at the Blue Point Grill, 258 Nassau Street; and

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WHEREAS, Blue Point Grill has requested permission to install a banner over Washington Road in Princeton Borough with approval of the Office of Community and Regional Affairs at Princeton University beginning Friday January 28, 2011 through Friday, February 4th 2011 to advertise this program to the entire Princeton Community; and

WHEREAS, this banner will be promptly removed after its use as required by Borough ordinances; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Borough Ordinance 3-17 any banner that is removed by the Borough will be held by the Borough for thirty (30) days and then disposed of; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Borough Ordinance 3-17 any applicant failing to remove a banner will not be permitted to display any banner for the succeeding two years; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby approve placement of said banner on Washington Road in accordance with Borough Ordinances 3-14-3-17.

Councilwoman Trelstad moved to approve Resolution 2011-R31, Councilman Goldfarb seconded, and Borough Council approved unanimously.

Councilwoman Trelstad moved to adjourn; Council President Wilkes seconded. There being no further business, Mayor Trotman adjourned the open session meeting at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Lea Quinty
Borough Clerk