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The Workshop Meeting of the Borough of Butler Mayor and Council was opened by Mayor Alviene who indicated that the meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act having been duly advertised and posted in Borough Hall.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Robert W. Alviene, Councilman McNear, Councilman Meier, Councilman Regis, Councilman Verdonik and Council President Vath

ABSENT: Councilman Fox

ALSO PRESENT: J. Lampmann, Borough Administrator, J. Kozimor, Chief Financial Officer, R. Oostdyk, Borough Attorney and M. O'Keefe, Borough Clerk

Motion to excuse Councilman Fox absence:

Moved: Vath
All in favor.

Second: Regis

R 2013-32 RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN THE SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

Moved: Vath

Second: McNear

Ms. O'Keefe explained that the grant award is approximately \$60,000, with the monies being used for a variety of community programs.

Voted Aye: McNear, Meier, Regis, Verdonik and Vath

Voted Nay: None

Absent: Fox

R 2013-32 approved.

DISCUSSION:

PROPERTY TAX CARD

Mr. Lampmann explained how the property tax card works, it is currently in use in Marlboro New Jersey, and is being considered in Pequannock. He spoke with the company that provides this service Fincredit; they explained that the credits are issued on a yearly basis. If the payments are done in this manner, it circumvents the issues with interest on delinquent accounts. The initial layout of funds for the municipality would be approximately \$10,000 however; these costs decrease if a local merchant sponsors the program. Participating merchants would have a \$160.00 upfront fee to purchase the swipe machine for the card, and then a \$10.00 monthly participation fee, not including the amount of discount. In addition, Fincredit takes 25% of the total amount collected, and if a participant moves out any monies collected are forfeited to them. They currently have 1,500 participants in Marlboro, participants are cardholders not necessarily households. The program currently has 28 merchants participating in Marlboro the minimum is 25 merchants to participate, currently car dealers, big box stores, supermarkets and chain stores are not included, nor do they currently have any professionals (engineers, hvac companies, etc.). Councilman McNear inquired as to the purpose of the program and what the actual benefits from this program are. Mr. Lampmann explained that this program is designed to bring in new customers. Discussion continued and it was determined that the program will be tracked when Pequannock has it up and running.

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Mr. Lampmann provided a handout for the Mayor and Council from our insurer; he explained that our insurer normally conducts a seminar at the League of Municipalities convention for all of our elected and some of our appointed officials. Upon completion of the course, the Borough receives a \$250.00 deduction on our insurance per attendee. The course may be taken either in person on May 8, 2013 at the Hanover Municipal Building or online, details for the course are in the handout. He asked that all of our elected officials take the course, as it is a cost savings to the Borough.

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Mayor Alviene opened the meeting to the public at this time>

Seeing no one come forward to speak a motion was made to close the public portion of the meeting.
Moved: Regis
Second: McNear

All in favor.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting:
Moved: Verdonik
All in favor.

Second: Regis

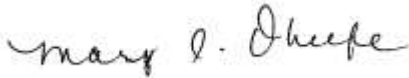
ADJOURNMENT: 7:23 p.m.

Adopted: April 16, 2013



Robert W. Alviene, Mayor

Attest:



Mary A. O'Keefe, RMC
Municipal Clerk

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**BOROUGH OF BUTLER
RESOLUTION R 2013-32**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

**RESOLUTION OF PARTICIPATION
A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY SAFE
AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL
JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Butler wishes to apply for funding for a project under the Safe and Secure Communities Program (P5419-13); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and the Borough of Butler for the purpose described in the application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that

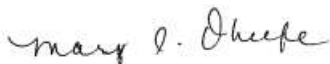
- 1) As a matter of public policy, the Borough of Butler wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.
- 2) The Attorney General of New Jersey will receive funds on behalf of the applicant.
- 3) The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the application for said funds.
- 4) The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized by law.

Adopted: April 2, 2013



Robert W. Alviene, Mayor

Attest:



Mary A. O'Keefe, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Dated: April 2, 2013