

Little Egg Harbor Township Committee Meeting

February 22, 2018

7:00 P.M.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

ROLL CALL: Yes Mr. Schlick Yes Mr. Kehm Yes Ms. Stevens
 Yes Mrs. Crea Absent Mr. Gormley

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

➤ February 8, 2018

Deputy Mayor Crea announced the meeting minutes will be carried to the next meeting due to lack of quorum.

PROCLAMATION

➤ Rare Disease Day

Committeewoman Lisa Stevens read a proclamation designating February 28, 2018 as "Rare Disease Day."

ORDINANCE **First Reading and Introduction**

2018-02 An Ordinance of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey amending and supplementing Chapter 134 of the Township Code of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, entitled "Animals" [add article entitled "Feral Cat Trap-Neuter-Return Program"]

Committeewoman Lisa Stevens stated she is happy to finally introduce this ordinance and asked the attorney to explain.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani stated this is to reduce the number of feral cats by having a neutering program in place. She briefly explained the ordinance.

Deputy Mayor Crea announced there will be a public hearing on this ordinance at the next meeting.

Motion to Introduce: Kehm Second: Stevens Roll Call:

Schlick	<u>Yes</u>
Kehm	<u>Yes</u>
Stevens	<u>Yes</u>
Crea	<u>Yes</u>
Gormley	<u>Absent</u>

CONSENT AGENDA

A Consent Agenda includes items of business which are not controversial and do not require individual discussion. The Consent Agenda is moved, seconded, and voted upon as one item by the Governing Body.

- 2018-81 A Resolution authorizing the appointment of a Police Officer in the Township of Little Egg Harbor Police Department *[Michael LaMontagne is pre-Academy and will be compensated in accordance with the relevant collective bargaining agreement]*

- 2018-82 A Resolution authorizing the interview and recommendation regarding hire of a police officer *[the Township Administrator and the Chief of Police made a recommendation to the governing body to make a conditional offer of employment for the Township Police Department]*

- 2018-83 A Resolution authorizing the execution of a change order to the contract for the FY2017 NJDOT Municipal Aid Road Program for Improvements to Pinehurst Drive and Seminole Drive *[Change Order No. 1 in a net increase of \$17,464.46 in the contract price]*

- 2018-84 A Resolution authorizing the receipt of bids for Living Shoreline Project, and authorizing the Township Engineer to prepare plans and specifications for said project

- 2018-85 A Resolution authorizing the receipt of bids for the Osborn Island dredging project, and authorizing the Township Engineer to prepare plans and specifications for said project

- 2018-86 A Resolution rescinding Resolution 2018-11 and appointing Jason Worth of the firm T&M Associates as Township Engineer

- 2018-87 A Resolution appointing members to the Little Egg Harbor Township Commercial Revitalization Advisory Board

- 2018-88 A Resolution authorizing tax refunds for 211 Holly Lake Drive *[the refund is due to an error in the electronic payment file from the mortgage company]*, 15 Cherry Street *[the refund is due to an error in the electronic payment from the mortgage company]* and 40 Louisiana Drive *[refund is due to a duplicate payment made by the property owner and the mortgage company]*

PUBLIC COMMENT – Consent Agenda Only

Motion to Open to Public: Stevens Second: Kehm All in favor

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked if the police officer appointed this evening is a replacement.

Deputy Mayor Crea explained both police officers on the consent agenda will replace officers that are retiring.

Motion to Close to Public: Schlick Second: Kehm All in favor

Motion to Approve: Kehm	Second: Stevens	Roll Call:	Schlick	<u>Yes</u>
			Kehm	<u>Yes</u>
			Stevens	<u>Yes</u>
			Crea	<u>Yes</u>
			Gormley	<u>Absent</u>

BILL RESOLUTION

2018-89 A Resolution authorizing the Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$370,470.11

- Current Account: \$293,475.00
- Third Party Account: \$76,995.11

Motion to Approve: Stevens Second: Kehm

Roll Call:	Schlick	Abstain
	Kehm	Yes
	Stevens	Yes
	Crea	Yes
	Gormley	Absent

MISCELLANEOUS APPROVALS

- Calvary Baptist Church request for use of Parkertown Beach Park for Easter Sunrise Service
- Calvary Baptist Church request to meet in front of Town Hall to pray on May 3, 2018, National Day of Prayer
- Bingo application for American Legion Post 493 Mystic Island on April 29, 2018

Motion to Approve: Schlick Second: Kehm All in favor

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER COMMENTS

Jason Worth reported the contractor will be getting the survey layout next week for the project on Pinehurst Drive and Seminole Drive and new intersection alignments on Leitz Boulevard and Wisteria Lane with paving schedule thereafter. The annual County Engineer’s meeting is set for the first week of March in which we can get an update on the Park-N-Ride. We received approval for our bid schedule from the state for the Twin Lakes Boulevard Project which will be advertised on March 12, with bids taken early April.

Committeeman Dave Schlick asked for an update on the township’s roof project.

Township Engineer Jason Worth explained there are a few things to wrap up but the project is substantially complete.

Committeeman John Kehm asked when the Twin Lakes Boulevard contractor will remove his equipment from the community center.

Township Engineer Jason Worth believes the MUA will be working on the project for the next three months but will get an update.

Committeeman Dave Schlick mentioned an issue with dirt kicking up on the cars along Twin Lakes Boulevard.

PUBLIC COMMENT – any topic

Motion to Open to Public: Schlick Second: Kehm All in favor

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked for the status of the commercial garbage pick-up.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained at this time we are working on cost analysis with Public Works.

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked for an update on the Veteran’s Park.

Committeewoman Lisa Stevens stated she is in the process of reaching out to the local Veteran organizations and discussed her goals.

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked if the No Knock ordinance has been successful.

Township Clerk Diana McCracken explained since adoption, we have about thirty residents participating.

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked for an update on the firing range and if it's in the town center.

Committeeman Dave Schlick explained it is in the town center. He spoke with some of the lieutenants that state they do not shoot there at night

Mr. Art Mooney: Expressed his concerns about the ongoing issues with Pinelands Schools. He heard they may close next year and put trailers in which may deter new residents.

Committeeman Dave Schlick asked the Township Clerk to explain how to get on the No Knock Registry.

Township Clerk Diana McCracken explained the procedure.

Ms. Sommer Fairel: Asked the Township Attorney to discuss any progress made on the commercial garbage pick-up issue.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani gave a brief update and invited Ms. Fairel to email her any information she may deem helpful.

Committeeman John Kehm explained there are many chapters including Chapter 15 pertaining to commercial garbage pick-up and solid waste that need to be cleaned up and consolidated to make one.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained she was not here in 2016 and believes there are three chapters which include Chapter 15 which still exists, Chapter 293 and Chapter 374. In 2016 the idea was to consolidate Chapters 293 and 374 however it did leave Chapter 15 still out there. The best thing is to have everything pertaining to Solid Waste Collection in one chapter.

Committeewoman Lisa Stevens explained there are many items the governing body is working on and it takes time. We want to be diligent to make sure we get it right.

Committeeman Dave Schlick believes there should be no confusion and referred to Ordinance 2016-16 that repeals Chapters 293 and 374 in their entirety and adopts a new one pertaining to Solid Waste and Recycling.

Committeeman John Kehm asked Committeeman Schlick to read a portion of Chapter 293.14 referring to multi-family, new dwellings, and new commercial.

Committeeman Dave Schlick read the last sentence which refers back to Chapter 15-11, Solid Waste Management.

Township Administrator Garrett Loesch suggested Ms. Fairel email him before the township attorney for budgetary reasons.

Committeeman Dave Schlick stated the township attorney came up with Chapter 289-1 back in January, it was found in the basement of her law firm and the Township Clerk's office has no record of it existing. He questioned portions of the chapter that are blank.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained she found it in the re-codification file in the law firm's basement and believes it was one of the drafts that were never adopted.

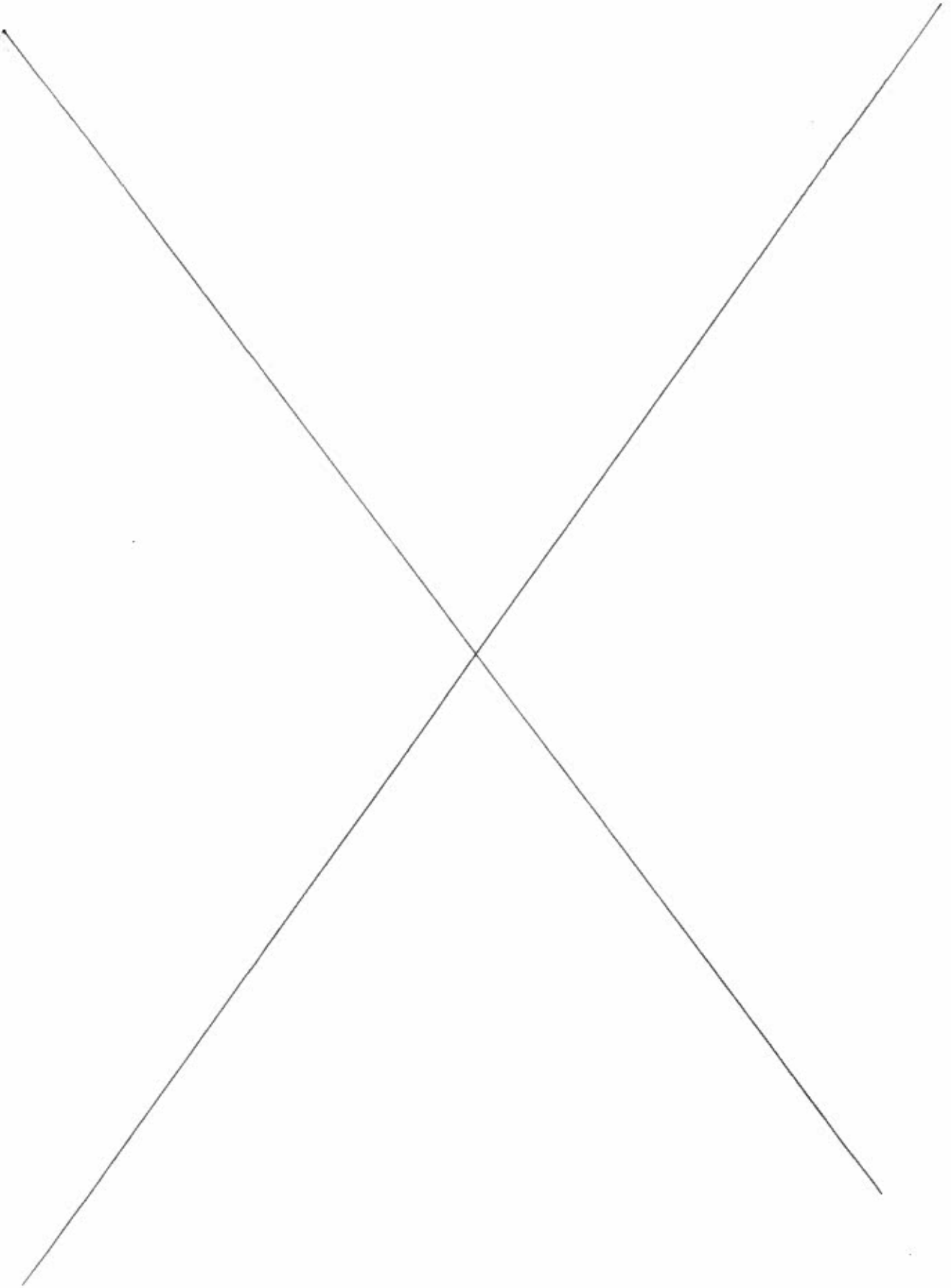
Committeeman John Kem read a portion of Chapter 293-14 explaining any new businesses in town will have to obtain an outside vendor.

Ms. Sommer Fairel: Discussed some problems she experienced with the township website.

Township Administrator Garrett Loesch explained the website is new and we are still working on some issues.

Mr. Dave Fuller: Asked what can be done about the weekly papers dropped on resident's properties.

Township Clerk Diana McCracken advised Mr. Fuller the Township Clerk's office has a Do Not Deliver Registry and explained the process.



Lieutenant Jim Hawkins briefly explained the hours of the shooting range and discussed the precautions the Police Department and the schools are taking to protect the students and staff in light of the most recent school shootings in Florida

Motion to Close to Public: Schlick

Second: Kehm

All in favor

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Schlick: Asked the township attorney for an explanation and apology for misleading the governing body with the document discussed earlier.

Cipriani: Apologized and explained it was never her intention to mislead anyone.

Schlick: Asked Lieutenant Hawkins some questions regarding the school and SRO.

Loesch: Explained the costs covered by the grant.

Schlick: Mentioned the passing of Tag the retired canine officer dog as well as Ariel the Dalmatian from Mystic Island Fire Company. He spoke about Flags for Hero's sponsored by the Great Bay Rotary Club.

Kehm: Invited the public to the after the holiday dinner at the community center this Saturday and discussed the many upcoming events to be held there.

Schlick: Asked if it is a violation of the Sunshine Law for more than two committee members to attend the community center events.

Cipriani: Stated it is not.

Stevens: Commended Police and Great Bay EMS for the care and professionalism they provided with a family member recently as well as all they do for the residents of the town

Crea: Reiterated Committeewoman Steven's comments and invited everyone to attend the Heart Healthy event February 28, at the Community Center, now known as the Edward Thornton Community Center.

Being no further business,

Motion to Adjourn: Schlick

Second: Stevens

All in favor

Respectfully submitted,



Diana K. McCracken, RMC

Township Clerk