

2019-05 An Ordinance of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending Chapter 15 of the Township Code of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, entitled "Land Use and Development" §15-4.25, §15-13.1, §15-13.2, and §15-13.4

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani gave a brief explanation on this ordinance.

Motion to Open to Public: Gormley Second: Scibetta All in favor
No public participation.

Motion to Close to Public: Stevens Second: Scibetta All in favor

Motion to Adopt: Gormley Second: Stevens Roll Call: Stevens Yes
 Scibetta Yes
 Gormley Yes
 Kehm Yes
 Crea Absent

ORDINANCE [ADOPTION]

2019-02 An Ordinance of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending Chapter 323 of the Township Code of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic"

Motion to Adopt: Stevens Second: Scibetta Roll Call: Stevens Yes
 Scibetta Yes
 Gormley Yes
 Kehm Yes
 Crea Absent

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained this ordinance was for adoption only. The public hearing was held at the last meeting.

ORDINANCE [FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION]

2019-06 An Ordinance of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, authorizing the increase of final appropriations to exceed the municipal budget appropriation limits for CY 2019 and to establish a cap bank pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14

Motion to Introduce: Scibetta Second: Stevens Roll Call: Stevens Yes
 Scibetta Yes
 Gormley Yes
 Kehm Yes
 Crea Absent

Deputy Mayor John Kehm explained at this time the following ordinance will be removed from this evening's agenda and considered for a future meeting for review and possible changes in wording.

2019-07 An Ordinance of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, providing for the mechanical maintenance dredging of Rose Creek and several

man-made lagoons on the easterly side of Radio Road in the Mystic Island section of the Township and related expenses so as to provide navigable access to Great Bay from the several lagoons, benefitting properties abutting said lagoons, and appropriating \$4,500,000 therefor, and providing for the issuance of \$4,500,000 in bonds or notes of the Township of Little Egg Harbor to finance the same, and directing the Special Assessment of the cost thereof

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.

- 2019-87 A Resolution opposing New Jersey becoming a sanctuary state and resolving for Little Egg Harbor Township to never become a sanctuary city
- 2019-88 A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Shared Services Agreement for the provision of fuel with the Pinelands Regional School District
- 2019-89 A Resolution approving participation in the Safe and Secure Communities Grant Program administered by the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety and acceptance of a grant sub-award of \$60,000.00
- 2019-90 A Resolution authorizing the advertising and receipt of sealed bids for the FY2018 NJDOT Municipal Aid Road Program – Improvements to Maryland Road
- 2019-91 A Resolution authorizing the adoption of an Emergency Temporary Budget for the year 2019
- 2019-92 A Resolution making application to the Local Finance Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c) and N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(d)
- 2019-93 A Resolution authorizing various tax refunds

PUBLIC COMMENT – Consent Agenda Only

Motion to Open to Public: Gormley Second: Stevens All in favor
Mr. Art Mooney: Asked for details on Resolution 2019-91, Emergency Temporary Budget for the year 2019.

CFO Rodney Haines explained the temporary budget put in place at the re-organization meeting in January was only to cover about three months of expenditures therefore this allows us to operate until the adoption of the budget in April.

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked for the amount of the temporary budget.

CFO Rodney Haines stated we are increasing the original temporary budget by \$1,736,757.00.

Ms. Pat Johnson: Asked for an explanation on Resolution 2019-88, shared services agreement for the provision of fuel with the Pinelands Regional school district.

Committeeman Ray Gormley stated this is very similar to what we have done with the fire companies and he briefly explained.

Ms. Pat Johnson: Asked for details on Resolution 2019-87, opposing New Jersey becoming a sanctuary state and Little Egg Harbor to never become a sanctuary city.

Deputy Mayor John Kehm discussed the negative effect on the Police Department as well as the residents should the town become a sanctuary city.

Mr. Charles Merton: Asked for more information on Resolution 2019-93, authorizing various tax refunds.

Tax Collector Dayna Wilson explained this was a duplicate payment for the first quarter taxes on one single property.

Ms. Leona Weigle: With regard to the resolution opposing Little Egg Harbor becoming a sanctuary city, she asked if the public could be involved in the voting process.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained there could be a meeting for residents to voice their opinions on the subject.

Motion to Close to Public: Gormley	Second: Scibetta	All in favor
Motion to Approve: Gormley	Second: Scibetta	Roll Call: Stevens <u>Yes</u>
		Scibetta <u>Yes</u>
		Gormley <u>Yes</u>
		Kehm <u>Yes</u>
		Crea <u>Absent</u>

BILL RESOLUTION

2019-94 A Resolution authorizing the Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$4,545,153.26

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

MISCELLANEOUS APPROVALS

- Raffle Application for Great Bay Regional Volunteer EMS, Inc. 50/50 raffle on December 31, 2019
- Raffle Application for Pinelands July 4th Celebration, Inc. on April 13, 2019 at Parkertown Volunteer Fire House

Motion to Approve: Stevens	Second: Scibetta	All in favor
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TOWNSHIP ENGINEER COMMENTS

Jason Worth reported the construction of the Park-N-Ride has started and the re-paving of Route 539, west of the Parkway is slated to begin soon. The County will begin re-paving Railroad Avenue sometime in 2020 and the Otis Bog Bridge will be replaced then too. The Maryland Road Project will go to bid tonight, get advertised Monday and bids will be taken on April 4. Lastly, the Township submitted an application for a Local Government Energy Audit which was approved and will begin on the township buildings.

Committeewoman Lisa Stevens thanked the Mr. Worth for his work on the Park-N-Ride and the energy audit.

PUBLIC COMMENT – any topic

Mr. Charles LoPinto: Expressed his concerns regarding the erosion of the Graveling Point Beach area.

Deputy Mayor Kehm explained a meeting is scheduled to discuss the matter.

Mr. Charles LoPinto: Asked which area is County owned and State owned.

Township Engineer Jason Worth stated the County owns the roadway; the beach area is a municipal lot. He explained they are working with the County on resolving this matter.

Ms. Maria Ellena Sadakis: Explained she is a resident of Stafford Township and works for the Ocean County Department of Human Services. She spoke about a Stigma Free Initiative in which her department within the County has started. This campaign is for reducing the stigma associated with mental health disease.

Ms. Megan Corrigan: Stated she is the Chairperson for the 2019 Mental Health Awareness Committee and gave an overview of the program and is asking the township to participate in becoming a Stigma Free Zone.

Mr. Charles Merton: Mentioned the poor condition of the Graveling Point beach and asked if there are plans to work on it before the summer months.

Deputy Mayor John Kehm explained there are a lot of things to consider and we are hoping to clean it up in the spring.

Mr. Dave Fuller: Discussed the importance of cleaning up the Graveling Point beach area and asked if the hot tar patch machine has the ability to fill cracks in the roads and not just holes.

Deputy Mayor John Kehm stated he will speak with the Superintendent of Public Works to see what can be done.

Mr. Dave Fuller: Asked for the outcome of a discussion between NJ Lands Trust and the township regarding transferring the ownership of their land on Iowa Court and Ohio Drive to the township.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained nothing transpired and she will renew the request.

Mr. Dave Fuller: Mentioned both areas would be great for upland residents to access the water. He asked when the town will talk to NJ Land Trust about not only Iowa Court but also doing a living shoreline on the Ohio Drive property that they presently own.

Township Engineer Jason Worth mentioned last year there was a grant available for upfront review and permitting design work for these types of projects however NJ Lands Trust was resistant to anything until the Iowa Court side was complete.

Committeeman Ray Gormley believes if an additional grant comes along, it may be an extension to what we are currently doing as opposed to starting a new project.

Ms. Pat Johnson: Asked for an update on the use of the senior center.

Deputy Mayor John Kehm believes at this time the senior center is once again being used by the groups that originally utilized it.

Ms. Pat Johnson: Asked if the letter of interest to Great Wolf Lodge was ever done.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani stated the letter was drafted and being reviewed by the Administrator and Committee.

Ms. Pat Johnson: Asked if the Iowa Court Living Shoreline has started.

Township Engineer Jason Worth stated not yet however it should start very soon.

Ms. Linda Fahmie: Discussed in detail her frustration with the township in her efforts to bring Great Wolf Lodge to the area.

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked if there is an update on his suggestion to have bike lanes on some of the busier roads in the town.

Township Engineer Jason Worth mentioned he brought it up at the last County meeting; since Radio Road is a County road however it's not something they usually do on their roadways but will review it.

Mr. Art Mooney: Explained the difference between a resolution and an ordinance. He hopes the town plans to finish patching the roads in Sunrise Bay.

Ms. Lidia LoPinto: Mentioned there are trees on Graveling Point that are eroding and falling over and in need of immediate attention.

Committeeman Ray Gormley mentioned that area could be state property and not township.

Township Engineer Jason Worth briefly explained which portion is township property.

Ms. Leona Weigle: Stated she appreciates the direction the governing body is going however Little Egg Harbor is prominently a one party town so for the record not everyone is in agreement with them.

Mr. George Lange: Asked if there is any new information on the abandoned home situation.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani does not have an update but will make a note to look into it for the next meeting.

Mr. George Lange: Questioned the absence of the bus stop and sidewalk on Mathistown Road in front of Atlanticare.

Township Engineer Jason Worth explained there was no sidewalk or bus stop at that location however they will be building a pad and cutting an access way into the site which should be done in the next week or so.

Motion to Close to Public: Stevens

Second: Scibetta

All in favor

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Stevens: Thanked Ms. Sadakis and Ms. Corrigan for their presentation on a stigma free initiative and would like the committee to consider getting a resolution together in support of it. She wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

Scibetta: Thanked the governing body for allowing him to read the Multiple Sclerosis proclamation at the last meeting and spoke about the support from the public he received in favor of a future walk site.

Gormley: Wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

Kehm: Wished his colleges and the residents a Happy St. Patrick's Day.


Being no further business,

Motion to Close: Gormley

Second; Scibetta

All in favor

Respectfully submitted,



Diana K. McCracken, RMC

Township Clerk