

Little Egg Harbor Township Committee Meeting

OCTOBER 26, 2017

7:00 P.M.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

Township Clerk Diana McCracken read the Open Public Meeting Statement and opened the meeting.

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

PROCLAMATION

➤ *Deputy Mayor Barbara Jo Crea read a proclamation recognizing the month of November, 2017, as "National Family Caregivers Month."*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

➤ October 12, 2017 Township Meeting

Motion to Approve: Kehm Second: Stevens Roll Call:

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

ORDINANCE **Introduction and First Reading**

2017-10 An Ordinance of the Township of Little Egg Harbor, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, amending and supplementing Chapter 269 of the Township Code to regulate the practice of real estate solicitations and establish a "No Knock" Registry

Mayor Ray Gormley explained some adjustments were made to the previous introduction of this ordinance.

Motion to Introduce: Schlick Second: Stevens Roll Call:

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

- 2017-237 A Resolution appointing Kimberly Conley as temporary clerk for the Township of Little Egg Harbor *[at the rate of \$13/hour]*
- 2017-238 A Resolution approving a Revised Spending Plan for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund *[the Special Master requested a change to the amount allotted for rehabilitation of individual units to specify the source of "Other Funds" in the affordability assistance calculation and to revise the amounts currently available for the programs]*
- 2017-239 A Resolution authorizing the Township Attorney to investigate opioid litigation *[Investigate details concerning any possible litigation against the manufacturers of opioid drugs and make a recommendation concerning the same]*
- 2017-240 A Resolution authorizing the receipt of bids for street end bulkhead replacements for certain street intersecting with Great Bay Boulevard
- 2017-241 A Resolution authorizing the partial release of a performance guarantee posted by K. Hovnanian at Little Egg Harbor II, LLC with the Township Clerk conditioned on the posting of a new surety guarantee *[Four Seasons at Harbor Bay Project Phase 6, consisting of a portion of Newport Way, Galley Way, and Stormwater Management Basin A]*
- 2017-242 A Resolution authorizing the partial release of a performance guarantee posted by K. Hovnanian at Little Egg Harbor II, LLC with the Township Clerk conditioned on the posting of a new surety guarantee *[Four Seasons at Harbor Bay Project Phase 7, consisting of portions of Newport Way, Chatham Road and Starboard Court]*
- 2017-243 A Resolution naming Brian K. Wilkie, Esq. of the firm of Citta, Holzapfel & Zabarsky as an Alternate Municipal Prosecutor
- 2017-244 A Resolution certifying tax liens for costs incurred in accordance with the property maintenance code *[\$1,471.25 in unpaid property violations]*
- 2017-245 A Resolution cancelling taxes and authorizing a refund pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 *[Veteran's Property Tax Exemption]*

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Consent Agenda Only

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

Ms. Pat Johnson: Asked for clarification on Resolution 2017-237, a Revised Spending Plan for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani briefly explained the resolution and stated according to the Special Master, this is the last thing we need to do. We are the third town in Ocean County to complete all of our compliance conditions.

Ms. Pat Johnson: Asked if Resolution 2017-239 regarding opioid litigation is coming from the prosecutor's office.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani discussed the importance of addressing the opioid epidemic and explained firms are trying to do class action law suits against opioid manufacturers.

Ms. Pat Johnson: Asked for the firm's name.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani will let her know.

Ms. Pat Johnson: Asked for the names of the street ends in resolution 2017-240 for bulkhead replacement.

Township Engineer Jim Oris explained the streets are South Boom Way, Chesapeake Court, Hatteres Court and Nantucket Court. We anticipate taking bids in mid November.

Motion to Close to Public: Stevens

Second: Schlick

All in favor

Motion to Approve: Crea

Second: Stevens

Roll Call:

Schlick	Yes
Kehm	Yes
Stevens	Yes
Crea	Yes
Gormley	Yes

BILL RESOLUTION

2017-246 A Resolution authorizing the Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$479,579.52

- Current Account: \$453,330.75
- Third Party Account: \$26,248.77

Motion to Approve: Stevens

Second: Crea

Roll Call:

Schlick	Yes
Kehm	Yes
Stevens	Yes
Crea	Abstained on 10125, 10126 & 10127, yes to balance
Gormley	Yes

MISCELLANEOUS APPROVALS

None

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER COMMENTS

Jim Oris reported the Oak Lane and Otis Bog Road repaving projects are in final closeout. We are looking to take bids next month for the paving of Pinehurst Drive and Seminole Drive and the roof project for town hall, the community center and 7 Gifford Road will hopefully begin next week.

Committeeman Dave Schlick asked the township engineer if he is involved with Pinelands Regional School.

Township Engineer Jim Oris stated he is not.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – any topic

Motion to Open to Public: Kehm

Second: Stevens

All in favor

Mr. Rick Siano: Expressed his concerns for the public's safety due to excessive speeding on Stage Road.

Township Administrator Garrett Loesch will address the Police Chief and his patrol division.

Committeeman Dave Schlick asked what end of Stage Road Mr. Siano lives on.

Mr. Rick Siano: Stated he is on the west side of the road.

Mr. John Spezak: Explained he lives on Golfview Drive and townhomes were supposed to be built on the property next to him. He did not receive a copy of the architect landscaping plans and asked how long the project can stay dormant before the permit runs out.

Township Engineer Jim Oris explained technically their preliminary and final approvals are good for two years. He doesn't believe there is anything in the municipal land use code that stipulates a time frame for the completion of construction.

Mr. John Spezak: Asked if the project could stay dormant for years.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained there is nothing the municipality or anyone can do to force the project to completion however if over time the property is in code violation, the town can step in.

Ms. Jenna Cavello: Thanked all the volunteers that participated in Trunk or Treat.

Ms. Pat Johnson: Asked who is responsible for picking up deer carcasses on Center Street.

Mayor Ray Gormley stated Ocean County is responsible for them and he explained the process.

Ms. Pat Johnson: Asked the governing body to look into deer crossing signs.

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

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Schlick: Clarified for the public that he and the township attorney have a good working relationship.

Kehm: Spoke about the success of the Trunk or Treat event and thanked the children and everyone that volunteered.

Stevens: Sunday is the fifth year anniversary of Super Storm Sandy. She invited the public to join in a Guinness World Book attempt to make Sandy Angels to raise funds for disaster relief recovery. She spoke about the RehabCo program and thanked Deputy Mayor Crea for her dedication to her position, the community and as a caregiver.

Crea: Discussed the progress of her husband and thanked everyone for their prayers and good wishes.

Gormley: Praised all the volunteers and thanked them for another successful Trunk or Treat at the community center.

Being no further business,

Motion to Adjourn: Stevens Second: schlock All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Diana K. McCracken, RMC

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Township Clerk