

Little Egg Harbor Township Committee Meeting Agenda

NOVEMBER 9, 2017

7:00 P.M.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT
4. ROLL CALL: Mr. Schlick _____ Mr. Kehm _____ Ms. Stevens _____
 Mrs. Crea _____ Mr. Gormley _____

5. PROCLAMATION
 - National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month
 - America Recycles Day
 - The Great American Smokeout

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - October 26, 2017 Township Meeting

7. ORDINANCE **Second Reading and Adoption**

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8. CONSENT AGENDA

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2017-250 A Resolution authorizing the release of a performance guarantee to Arawak Paving Company, upon the posting of a two-year maintenance bond and authorizing the final quantities change order to the contract for the execution of a change order for FY2015 NJDOT Municipal Aid Road Program for Improvements to Oak Lane *[Change Order No. 1 (Final) the contract is being reduced to \$217,319.78]*

- 2017-251 A Resolution authorizing the release of a performance guarantee to Arawak Paving Company, upon the posting of a two-year maintenance bond and authorizing final quantities change order to the contract for the FY2016 NJDOT Municipal Aid Road Program for Improvements to Otis Bog Road *[Change Order No.2 (Final) the contract is being reduced to \$307,266.82]*
- 2017-252 A Resolution authorizing the transfers of appropriations in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58
- 2017-253 A Resolution certifying tax liens for costs incurred in accordance with the property maintenance code *[\$1,595.00 in unpaid property violations]*
- 2017-254 A Resolution authorizing the removal of Blocks and Lots from the Tax Sale List according to the attached rider *[B312/L38, B325.41/L1, B325.88/L16, B325.89/L26, B325.96/L4, and B326.217/L44]*
- 2017-255 A Resolution authorizing tax refunds for 24 Harvest Way *[the refund is due to duplicate payments made by the mortgage company and the property owner]*; 9 West Mullica Road *[the refund is due to duplicate payments made by the mortgage company and the property owner]*; 10 West Brig Drive *[the refund is due to a duplicate payment made by the mortgage company and the property owner]*; 47 Galley Way *[the refund is due to a duplicate payment made by the mortgage company]*

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Consent Agenda Only

9. BILL RESOLUTION

- 2017-256 A Resolution authorizing the Payment of Bills in the Amount of \$5,272,862.50
- Current Account: \$5,257,066.01
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10. MISCELLANEOUS APPROVALS

11. TOWNSHIP ENGINEER COMMENTS

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS – any topic

13. TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 2017-xxx A Resolution authorizing the convening of an Executive Session in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act

15. ADJOURN

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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

Committeewoman Lisa Stevens read a proclamation designating the month of November, 2017, as "National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month."

Deputy Mayor Barbara Jo Crea read a proclamation recognizing November 15, 2017, as "America Recycles Day."

Committeeman Dave Schlick read a proclamation designating November 16, 2017, as "The Great American Smokeout."

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

➤ October 26, 2017 Township Meeting

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

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

Mr. Art Mooney: Thanked resident Mark Sobiach for his efforts in bringing this ordinance to the forefront and asked why real estate canvassing is part of the ordinance.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani stated real estate canvassing is part of peddling and soliciting and briefly explained the ordinance.

Mr. Art Mooney: Stated many senior citizens cannot go to the Township Clerk's office to sign up for the No Knock Registry and asked for an alternative method.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained the forms should eventually be on the townships website or residents can call the Township Clerk's Office.

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked if the Ocean County Board of Realtors was informed of this ordinance. Township Attorney Jean Cipriani stated the township will follow up on that.

Mr. Roman Krochmal: Asked if residents can sign up as early as tomorrow. Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained the ordinance is not effective until ten days after publication.

Mr. Roman Krochmal: Asked if solicitation mailings will cease due to this ordinance. Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained we do not have jurisdiction over the US mail.

Mr. Peter Ferwerda: Expressed his concerns regarding the underling cost this ordinance may present.

Motion to Close to Public: Schlick	Second: Stevens	All in favor
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		Stevens <u>Yes</u>
		Crea <u>Yes</u>
		Gormley <u>Yes</u>

Township Clerk Diana McCracken explained the process of signing up for the No Knock Registry through the Township Clerk's Office.

Mayor Ray Gormley commended Township Clerk Diana McCracken and Township Attorney Jean Cipriani for their work on this ordinance.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained that Resolution 2017-CA256, pertaining to the Living Shoreline project on Iowa Court, will be added by title. She explained the terms.

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- 2017-CA256 A Resolution authorizing the execution of memorandum of understanding with New Jersey Natural Lands Trust

Committeewoman Lisa Stevens requested Resolution 2017-252, authorizing the transfers of appropriation to be carried to the next meeting.

Committeeman Dave Schlick requested a discussion on Resolution 2017-247, the interviewing and hiring of two police officers. He asked if this will come before the governing body again before they are hired.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained none of the offers are final until they are approved by the appointing authority which is the committee.

Motion to Open to Public: Schlick

Second: Stevens

All in favor

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Consent Agenda Only

Mr. Peter Ferwerda: Thanked Committeeman Schlick for his questions and asked how the hiring of two police officers will affect taxpayers.

Mayor Ray Gormley explained we are not hiring additional police officers, just replacing them.

Ms. Sandy Newman: With regard to Resolution 2017-254, she asked if the properties were removed from the tax sale list because their appeals were accepted.

Tax Collector Dayna Wilson stated several properties came to light after the added omitted were certified by the County and they were removed before the tax sale to prevent liens on the properties. She explained the process.

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked for confirmation that the township is not hiring two additional police officers.

Mayor Ray Gormley explained we are simply replacing two of the three slots that are open.

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked how many slots the Police Department is allocated at this time.

Mayor Ray Gormley explained there is no specific number.

Mr. Art Mooney: Believes the resolution regarding the police officers does not give enough information for the public.

Committeeman Dave Schlick read Resolution 2017-247 in full.

Motion to Close to Public: Schlick

Second: Kehm

All in favor

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani discussed issues that may arise if Resolution 2017-252 is carried to the next meeting.

Committeewoman Lisa Stevens explained after consideration she is comfortable proceeding with Resolution 2017-252 on the consent agenda.

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			Crea	<u>Abstain on</u> <u>11042, yes to</u> <u>balance</u>
			Gormley	<u>Abstain on</u> <u>88907, yes to</u> <u>balance</u>

MISCELLANEOUS APPROVALS

None

TOWNSHIP ENGINEER COMMENTS

Jason Worth reported the CDBG application from earlier this year has been approved; the grant award is \$32,000.00 for the community center roof which should be complete next week.

Work on town hall should begin on November 14th. We expect bids to be taken on the bulkhead project for South Boom Way early December, work should begin this winter.

Committeewoman Lisa Stevens asked for an update on Lexington Drive.

Township Engineer Jason Worth explained there is an area on Lexington Drive that is a dead end, very dark and water is accumulating. He spoke to Public Works about grading the area to allow water to run off the street.

Mayor Ray Gormley thanked Mr. Worth and T&M for an outstanding job on obtaining the CDBG grant.

Township Engineer Jason Worth discussed the progress of the community center.

Motion to Open to Public: Stevens

Second: Kehm

All in favor

PUBLIC COMMENTS – any topic

Mr. Peter Ferwerda: Spoke about the pros and cons regarding the new governor's proposal to legalize marijuana and asked the governing body to adopt a resolution addressing smoking and driving.

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked if the Park-N-Ride has been approved by Pinelands.

Mayor Ray Gormley explained there has been positive movement on the Park-N-Ride and we are getting close.

Mr. Art Mooney: Asked if the town has considered purchasing the old Sun Bank property to store documents in place of the property on Gifford Road.

Mayor Ray Gormley discussed the plans for the building on Gifford Road and explained the old Sun Bank property was offered to the township however it was out of our price range.

Mr. Roman Krochmal: Asked how old the roof is on the town hall building.

Mayor Ray Gormley stated fourteen years old.

Township Engineer Jason Worth explained construction issues were discovered with the original roof that has shortened its lifespan.

Mr. Steven DeSimone: Would like the committee to take action and have Committeeman Schlick removed from his position.

Township Attorney Jean Cipriani explained removing someone from the committee would not be an action they can perform.

Motion to Close to Public: Stevens

Second: Kehm

All in favor

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Schlick: Spoke about his research on the legalization of marijuana and suggested the governing body create an ordinance to prohibit the sale of it in town.

Kehm: Mentioned the Pinelands Regional School Board is looking for a Superintendent and suggested reaching out to the school board members to consider exploring the option of one superintendent for all school districts. This may save tax payers money.

Schlick: Asked if the County will need to approve this.

Cipriani: Explained one Superintendent can serve multiple districts; however it must be approved by the County Superintendents office.

Schlick: Believes this is a superior idea and thanked Committeeman Kehm for his suggestion.

Stevens: Announced the Rabies Clinic is November 11, at the Mystic Island Firehouse. With Veteran's Day coming up she thanked all servicemen and women.

Crea: Announced the next Senior Advisory meeting is November 27, at 10am with guest speakers Police Chief Rich Buzby and representatives from Urgent Care Now, Ocean County Mentoring Program and the Interfaith Services of Southern Ocean County. She expressed her gratitude to all the veterans and their families.

Being no further business,

Motion to adjourn: Stevens

Second: Crea

All in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Diana K. McCracken, RMC

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Township Clerk

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