

REGULAR MEETING  
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 1, 2018

Chairperson O'Brien called to order a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Deerfield, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey, at the Municipal Building, 736 Landis Avenue, Rosenhayn, at 7:00 p.m.

Chairperson O'Brien led the flag salute.

The Clerk took roll call and members present included Mr. Terrigno, Mr. Danna and Mrs. O'Brien. Mr. Stanzione and Mr. Brago were unavailable this evening.

Minutes

The Clerk presented the minutes of July 5 and July 18, 2018. Mr. Danna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Terrigno to approve the minutes as written. The Committee approved.

Closed Session Minutes

The Clerk presented the Closed Session Minutes of July 5, 2018. Mr. Danna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Terrigno to approve the minutes as written. The Committee approved.

The Clerk noted that the minutes of the Closed Session of July 5, 2018 would not be released to the public until the purpose for them remaining closed was no longer applicable and the Solicitor had an opportunity to review them.

Ordinances

The Clerk presented Ordinance #2018-7- First Reading Of An Ordinance Authorizing Private Sale of Township Lands To The Cumberland County Improvement Authority. Mr. Terrigno made a motion, seconded by Mr. Danna to adopt Ordinance #2018-7 on first reading and to set Wednesday, August 15, 2018 for second reading, public hearing and final adoption. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Terrigno	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes
Mr. Danna	Yes		

Resolutions

The Clerk presented Resolution #18-131 - Resolution To Close A Portion Of County Road 634, Morton Avenue, (Northbound) From Shiloh Avenue To Landis Avenue And To Close A Portion Of County Road 735, North Shiloh Avenue (Westbound) From Morton Avenue To Greenman Avenue On Thursday Evening, October 4<sup>th</sup>, Friday Evening October 5<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> And Sunday, October 7, 2018 For The Deerfield Township Harvest Festival.

Mr. Terrigno made a motion, seconded by Mr. Danna to adopt Resolution #18-131. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Terrigno	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes
Mr. Danna	Yes		

The Clerk presented Resolution #18-132- Resolution Extending The Grace Period On Third Quarter 2018 Taxes To August 31, 2018. Mr. Danna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Terrigno to adopt Resolution #18-132. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Terrigno	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes
Mr. Danna	Yes		

The Clerk presented Resolution #18-133 - Resolution Authorizing The Cancellation Of Taxes For A Totally Disabled Veteran. Mr. Terrigno made a motion, seconded by Mr. Danna to adopt Resolution #18-133. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Terrigno	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes
Mr. Danna	Yes		

The Clerk presented Resolution #18-134- Resolution Of The Township Of Deerfield Adopting The Form Of The New Jersey Tort Claims Act Questionnaire Required To Be Utilized By Claimants For The Filing Of Notices Of Tort Claim Against The Township Of Deerfield In Accordance With The Provisions Of The New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:8-6 And Designating Qual-Lynx As The Agent For The Township Of Deerfield To Provide The Questionnaire To All Of The Claimants And To Receive The Completed Questionnaire From The Claimants. Mr. Danna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Terrigno to adopt Resolution #18-134. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Terrigno	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes
Mr. Danna	Yes		

The Clerk presented Resolution #18-135- Resolution Awarding A Contract To Ricky Slade Construction, Inc. For The Resurfacing Of Poplar Street In The Township Of Deerfield In The Amount Of \$119,593.10. Mr. Terrigno made a motion, seconded by Mr. Danna to adopt Resolution #18-135. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Terrigno	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes
Mr. Danna	Yes		

The Clerk presented Resolution #18-136- Resolution Appointing Gregory Gadola Part Time Laborer. Mr. Danna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Terrigno. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Terrigno	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes
Mr. Danna	Yes		

### Old Business

The Clerk presented reports from Department Chairs. Mr. Danna stated that the Township has received one quote for fencing and is waiting on 2 more.

Mr. Danna asked if the hot water heater had been completed and was advised that it was not but should be soon.

Chairperson O'Brien stated that she met with Fralinger Engineering yesterday morning about the DCA grant application that Mark Blauer will be submitting for the Township. She noted that there is a substantial amount of money proposed for playground equipment. Chairperson O'Brien indicated that the grant is only for LoBiondo and Johnson Parks and the Township will still need to find money for the park in Carmel. She further indicated that at a minimum some swing replacements need to be installed at Johnson Park and that would cost approximately \$4,000. Discussion was held regarding the use of recreation budget funds. Chairperson O'Brien noted that the Township's hope is to receive the money from DCA and that the plan is gorgeous with a walking path that goes all around LoBiondo Park and with playground equipment for both parks. She further noted that recreation money could be used for Carmel Park.

Chairperson O'Brien noted that Saturday was the movie night and Mr. Brago shared with her that it was a huge success with much thanks going out to everyone who helped make that possible. She further noted that public works spent quite a bit of time out at the park to make sure it went well and the fire department had the vehicles out for the children to look at. Chairperson O'Brien indicated that she has already been asked when the next one will held and hopefully in the future we can do this again and get a multi-use contract for the screen.

Mr. Danna inquired as to Mr. Shinn taking the animal control vehicle home. The Clerk noted she just got Mr. Terrigno to sign off on the policy and was going to have Mr. Brago do so next time he was available.

Mr. Terrigno questioned an item on the bill list as to Motorola and the fire department. Mr. Terrigno stated that it was charged to fire safety. The Clerk indicated that it could be with regard to the wiring of the new truck for radios.

#### New Business

The Clerk presented Discussion And Motion Regarding Memorandum For Implementing Online Bill Paying For Property Owners. The Clerk noted that there was a memo from the Tax Collector in the packets this evening. She further noted that there have been inquiries over the years about paying online and the Tax Collector checked with the company that we do our financial and tax collection portals. The Clerk stated that the company offered us \$600 for the module (per year) and the person paying online would be paying 2.95% of the total charge (by credit card); debit card – a flat fee of \$3.95 and by electronic check a flat fee of \$1.05. The Tax Collector recommended a start date of January, 2019.

It was agreed upon by the members that it was a good idea and Mr. Terrigno made a motion, seconded by Mr. Danna to implement online bill paying for property owners. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Terrigno	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes
Mr. Danna	Yes		

Mr. Danna suggested looking into the purchase of the property next door. Mr. Danna was not sure what money could be used or if the Township could get Green Acres funds. Solicitor Testa noted that the Township had looked into this a few years ago. Chairperson O'Brien indicated that the Committee would need to go into Executive Session as part of a contract negotiation and determine what is in the budget and what type of offer to make. She further indicated that it's something that whole Committee should discussion and could put it on the agenda for the first meeting in September.

Chairperson O'Brien asked the Clerk to reach out to the realtor and let them know that we are interested and to please keep us aware in case there is another offer and we have to hold a special meeting.

#### Communications

The Clerk stated that there are no communications this evening.

The Clerk presented Resolution #18-137 For The Payment Of Bills. Mr. Danna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Terrigno, to adopt Resolution #18-137. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Terrigno	Yes	Mrs. O'Brien	Yes
Mr. Danna	Yes		

Public Comment

Mr. Terrigno made a motion, seconded by Mr. Danna to open the meeting to the public. The Committee approved.

There being no comment from the public, Mr. Danna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Terrigno to close the public portion of the meeting. The Committee approved.

There being no further business, Mr. Terrigno made a motion, seconded by Mr. Danna, to adjourn the meeting. The Committee approved.

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Abigail P. O'Brien, Chairperson  
Township of Deerfield

ATTEST:

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Karen Seifrit, Clerk  
Township of Deerfield