

REGULAR MEETING
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

April 18, 2012

Chairperson Laurella 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 Laurella led the flag salute.

The Clerk took roll call and members present included, Mr. Laueremann, Mr. Spatola, Mr. Stanzione, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Laurella.

Proclamation

The Clerk presented Proclamation #2012-1 – Proclaiming The Month Of May As “Older Americans Month”.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola to approve Proclamation #2012-1. The Committee Approved.

Departmental Reports

The Clerk presented Departmental Reports of the Construction Office, Zoning/Housing Officer, Tax Collector, Treasurer and Fire Marshall.

Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Montgomery to accept and file the Departmental Reports. The Committee Approved.

Resolutions

The Clerk presented Resolution #12-109 Authorizing Application For Discretionary Aid Funding For Mulberry Street In The Township Of Deerfield.

The Clerk stated the Township had applied for aid under the Transportation Trust but were denied so Fralinger’s recommended the Township apply for Discretionary Aid for Mulberry Street as the first choice.

Mr. Laueremann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Montgomery to adopt Resolution #12-109. Roll Call Vote.

Mr. Laueremann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk presented Resolution #12-110 Approving Reduction Of Performance Bond Posted By Crop Production Services From \$530,180.40 to \$150,366.30.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola to adopt Resolution #12-110. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Laueremann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk presented Resolution #12-111 Authorizing Execution Of Statements Of Consent with Regard To Application By The Cumberland County Improvement Authority For A Leachate Treatment System.

The Clerk stated there is a huge packet on the table in her office, which is the application for the system, part of it is a request for a Resolution from the Township Committee as the authority for the Township, basically the Resolution says the CCIA will comply with all the Ordinances of the Township.

Mr. Laurella stated he believes it is the first time for most people to hear about this, and the packet was just received, and some have not had a chance to read it. Mr. Laurella indicated the Engineer James Rocco, called Mr. Laurella and explained it is going to prevent them from carting the Leachate to Bridgeton, they will have a system that will take the water and almost make it drinkable.

Mr. Stanzione stated that he and Mr. Spatola have had a discussion with Mr. Rocco. Mr. Stanzione stated the CCIA is going to add a Leachate treatment plant so when the Leachate runs out it will be almost drinkable and they can apply it back into the ground again. Mr. Laurella stated that it would save the CCIA almost half a million dollars a year.

Mr. Lauermaun asked if it is a possibility that once the system is done they would bring Leachate from other towns to be treated and spread in the Township. Mr. Stanzione stated he believes the flow control only allows it from Cumberland County.

A discussion regarding Leachate was held among the Township Committee.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola to adopt Resolution #12-111. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Lauermaun	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

The Clerk presented Resolution #12-112 Resolution Authorizing Change Of Title, Text Or Amount Of Appropriation.

The Clerk stated as the budget was being put on they noticed that two items with similar names the amounts were switched, and to use those line items appropriately the changes need to be made by resolution.

Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Montgomery to adopt Resolution #12-112. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Lauermaun	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

Old Business

Mr. Lauerella stated to Mr. Lauermaun he heard a couple complaints about the street lights, Mr. Laurella asked Mr. Lauermaun if he would mind if he and Mr. Montgomery go out to check out the street lights. Mr. Lauermaun asked what the residents were complaining about, Mr. Laurella stated some street lights were out.

Mr. Lauermann stated he noticed that some lights were cycling on and off, the residents can be talking about those lights. Mr. Lauermann stated he did speak to the Clerk regarding having a discussion with the gentleman of Atlantic City Electric about coming out and looking at the intersection of Kenyon and Sherman Avenues, and putting a light there, and it would cost a bit of money because there is no electricity there, but it is a very high flow intersection. Mr. Lauermann stated that he and the Clerk are working on everything with the Electric Company, the engineers are going to come out, but they are so busy right now.

A discussion regarding the intersection of Kenyon and Sherman Avenues and the light pole was held among the Township Committee.

Mr. Stanzione stated Rosenhayn Fire and Rescue are doing fine and will start interviews shortly. The Clerk stated that applications are due Thursday by 4 o'clock p.m. Mr. Stanzione indicated that hopefully within a month they should have paid fire personnel at the Fire Station.

Mr. Spatola stated he wanted to mention that he excused himself from the interviewing process due to the fact that he has an employer, employee relationship with one of the men that was being interviewed for the Public Works position. Mr. Spatola wanted to put on the record he did excuse himself from any application process and will abstain from that matter when it comes up.

Mr. Lauermann stated he spoke to Todd Heck regarding Maxon Avenue. Mr. Laurella stated there is a letter in the Committee's bin. Solicitor Testa recommended that it gets reviewed and if there is a discussion on the matter it is done in Executive Session. Solicitor Testa also recommended that any discussion be held until a resolution is passed for Executive Session.

Mr. Stanzione stated that the Township will still be dealing with Don Olbrich and Jimmy Matlock, they got to keep their jobs, so they continue to deal with them.

The Clerk presented Discussion Regarding Shared Service For Municipal Recycling Coordinator.

The Clerk stated she has been in touch with Ron Campbell, who is the Clerk for Shiloh and is also their Recycling Coordinator. The Clerk stated she forwarded Mr. Campbell the letters we have from the vendors so far, but he has not gotten back to her as of yet, so she is not sure where the Township stands with him preparing the report for this year. The Clerk indicated she has been communicating with Mr. Campbell and he does seem encouraged to help the Township.

A discussion regarding the Recycling Report, it's preparation and fee was held among the Clerk and the Township Committee.

New Business

The Clerk presented Discussion Regarding Meeting With Cumberland County Improvement Authority.

Mr. Spatola stated that he and Mr. Stanzione attended a meeting at the CCIA with The Township attorney, Mr. Todd Heck and also CCIA's attorney and Don Rainear. Mr. Spatola stated Mr. Heck was very thorough with going through the proposed negotiations and proposed contracts and how it followed what was already there.

Mr. Spatola stated that the two major concerns were to not be left behind if and when this property was ever sold or leased, the Township would still be the host. Mr. Spatola stated that Mr. Stanzione initiated all of this in the beginning so the Township is still in the forefront of all the negotiations of anything that happens. Mr. Spatola indicated that there was discussion with the fact that the tonnage rates went higher and the Township's rate stayed the same. Mr. Spatola stated that upon finishing this negotiation, the Township's goal is to change the dollar amount to a percentage, so that way there doesn't have to be negotiated every time the rates go up, the percentage would go up along with the tonnage rates.

A discussion regarding the rates was held among the Committee.

The Clerk presented Discussion Regarding Capital Expenditures For 2012.

Mr. Laurella stated that money has been put in the Capital to do some capital improvements, some have been discussed for some time, such as the fire hydrant, the cupola, lights, shutters and Township streets. Mr. Laurella indicated he would like to get started with specs for the streets. Mr. Laurella indicated he would like to get started with these projects and get something done every month.

Mr. Laueremann stated there was a letter from the CDC about monies that may become available to upgrade certain things in the Municipal Building but it didn't say what those things could be. Mr. Stanzione stated that was through Triad but also South Jersey Gas, and Atlantic Electric are coming through with deals for the Municipalities. Mr. Stanzione stated there was going to be some funding available, which would help the Township out a lot.

A discussion regarding the CDC funding was held among the Committee.

Mr. Laurella stated he wanted to inform Fralinger's to start reducing the roads and write the specs for across the street, and also do the cupola. Mr. Laurella stated there are three items to get started on.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola to start Capital Expenditures for the Cupola, paving Willow Street at Landis Avenue, and reduction of Willow Street and Poplar Street. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Laueremann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

Mr. Spatola stated South of the intersection of Greenman and Landis Avenue, the old Pizzo farm, on the hill. Mr. Spatola indicated that he noticed it before, but they wash or rinse, and the water and gravel goes down Greenman Avenue to Landis Avenue. Mr. Spatola indicated he believes they put a drain in that goes South toward the culvert that was just repaired, and there is a quite a distinct ditch, that runs that entire length of the farm and is pretty deep, and may very well be in the right away of the road. Mr. Laurella stated they are running their water down a Township road and what they are doing is illegal, the water should go out back of their property.

A discussion regarding Greenman Avenue the facility and their waste water was held among the Township Committee.

Communications

The Clerk stated there were no Communications this evening.

The Clerk presented Resolution #12-113 for The Payment Of Bills.

Mr. Montgomery made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stanzione to adopt Resolution #12-113. Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Lauermann	Yes	Mr. Montgomery	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Laurella	Yes
Mr. Stanzione	Yes		

Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann to open the meeting to the public. The Committee Approved.

Mr. John Barbagello, Deerfield Township Emergency Management Coordinator approached the Committee and stated he wanted to go over Saturday morning Communications. Mr. Barbagello thanked the five people that were there, Herb Pierce, Deputy Coordinator, Tom Perotti, Sherriff's Department also a OEM Staff Member Bill Miller OEM Staff Member, and Brenda Closser, which volunteered. Mr. Barbagello stated Mr. Perotti was running both radios, Mrs. Closser was working on the phone lines, and Mr. Miller was working on the emails, but had to come upstairs because the internet was not working in the basement, also the fax machine does not work in the basement.

Mr. Montgomery stated that he and Mr. Lauermann have to go over the forms for the internet for the Municipal Building and the Fire House, maybe there could be a designated line downstairs. Mr. Lauermann asked Mr. Barbagello if they were wireless in the basement. Mr. Barbagello stated they had access through the Senior Center router.

A discussion regarding internet service in the basement for OEM was held among the Township Committee.

Mr. Montgomery asked Mr. Barbagello to get a list together of what he needed so the Committee could review it and address some of his issues.

Mr. Spatola stated that Mr. Miller is a very vital part of the staff and he is quite in depth with computers and communications. Mr. Spatola recommended that Mr. Miller put together a request with his needs, and give it to the Clerk so the Committee can see what it is that he needs.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Montgomery to close the meeting to the Public. The Committee Approved.

Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann to adjourn the meeting. The Committee Approved.

Cosmo Laurella, Chairperson
Township of Deerfield

ATTEST:

Karen Seifrit, Clerk
Township of Deerfield

