

THE OCTOBER 28, 2009 REGULAR/WORKSHOP TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD, CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:33 PM BY THE MAYOR, MARYANN MERLINO.

NOTICE OF TIME AND DATE FOR THIS MEETING APPEARED IN RESOLUTION #2009-6 DATED JANUARY 4, 2009 WHICH WAS SENT TO THE RECORD BREEZE AND COURIER-POST NEWSPAPERS AS A LEGAL NOTICE. ALSO, COPIES OF RESOLUTION #2009-6 WERE SENT TO THE RECORD BREEZE, COURIER-POST AND INQUIRER NEWSPAPERS, AND A COPY IS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE "OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW".

OPENING PRAYER:

SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

ROLL CALL:

Committeeman Condo - Present
Committeewoman Finnerty - Present
Committeeman Halbert - Present
Committeeman Hamilton - Present
Mayor Merlino - Present

ALSO PRESENT:

Virginia L. Chandler, Township Clerk - Present
Lawrence C. Ruocco, Township Administrator - Present
John P. Maroccia, Township Solicitor - Present

PRESENTATIONS: (None Submitted)

CLOSED SESSION: **(AS NEEDED)** (None Submitted)

EMERGENCY ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA:

Resolution #2009-273

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ASSUMPTION SCHOOL PARENT ASSOCIATION TO CLOSE CARL HASSELHAN DRIVE ON FIRDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2009 FOR THEIR HALLOWEEN EVENT.

ALL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AGREED TO ADD RESOLUTION #2009-273 TO THE AGNEDA UNDER RESOLUTIONS.

MINUTES:

- 1. Regular Meeting September 9, 2009
- 2. Regular/Workshop Meeting September 23, 2009

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Finnerty to approve the minutes items #1 & #2.

Poll Vote:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes on 9/9/09 and Not Voting on 9/23/09)
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES: (None Submitted)

FINANCIAL REPORTS: (September 2009 Reports)

a. Clerk Report:	TOTAL	\$1,716.33
b. Construction Official Report:	TOTAL	\$6,364.00
c. Court Report:	TOTAL	\$21,366.07
d. Tax Collector Report - Tax Report:	TOTAL	\$241,273.25
e. Tax Collector Report - Redemption Report:	TOTAL	\$45,142.75
f. Tax Collector Report - Utility Report:	TOTAL	\$9,048.31
g. Treasurer Report:	TOTAL	\$3,476,370.23

Moved by Condo, 2nd by Halbert to accept the above Financial Reports as submitted.

Voice Vote:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THE MEETING: (FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

Ron Passarella, Almira Avenue voiced his objection to any changes to the Towing Ordinance.

MAYOR CLOSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

APPLICATIONS: (None Submitted)

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT FOR ROTARY PARK:

REQUEST FROM EAGLE SCOUT BRADLEY STEVENSON TO REPLACE WOOD ON THE EXISTING (2) PICNIC TABLES, REPLACE WOOD ON THE EXISTING (3) TRASH CAN HOLDERS, REPLACE WOOD ON THE EXISTING COVERED PICNIC TABLE, CONSTRUCT AN ENCLOSED BULLETIN BOARD BY THE GAZEBO ON THE FRONT OF THE EXISTING ELECTRIC AND METERS FOR THE PARK AND PUT A ROOF ON THE STRUCTURE TO PROTECT THE BULLETIN BOARD, ELECTRIC AND METERS FROM THE WEATHER.

Moved by Condo, 2nd by Finnerty to approve the Eagle Scout Project with the stipulation they get all the necessary permits and approvals required by the Township which fees will be waived and consult with the Township Administrator and the Township Construction Official prior to commencing the project.

Voice Vote:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

2. PARIS GRANT FOR THE YEAR 2010-2011:

QUESTIONNAIRE FROM THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN INQUIRING IF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD IS INTERESTED IN LEVERAGING ITS ELIGIBLE PARIS FUNDS FOR SHARED SERVICES PROJECTS WITH THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN FOR THE 2010-2011 PARIS GRANT APPLICATION.

Moved by Condo, 2nd by Finnerty to authorize the continued participation with the County of Camden for the PARIS Grant Shared Services Projects.

Voice Vote:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

3. STREET OPENING PERMIT WAIVE OF ESCROW REQUEST:

ADAMS, REHMANN AND HEGGAN ENGINEERS HAVE REQUESTED THE TOWNSHIP WAIVE THE REQUIRED ESCROW FEE FOR A STREET OPENING PERMIT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A MONITORING WELL TO BE PERFORMED BY ENVIRONMENTAL INVESTIGATIONS, LLC FOR JERSEY CONSTRUCTION BECAUSE THE MONITORING WELL LOCATION IS OFF ROAD IN A DIRT AREA.

Moved by Condo, 2nd by Hamilton to grant the request to waive the Street Opening Escrow Fee for the installation of a monitoring well to be located off the road in a dirt area.

Voice Vote:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

DISCUSSIONS:

1. DIGITIZING TOWNSHIP TAX MAPS:

REVISE THE TOWNSHIP TAX MAPS OVER A PERIOD OF YEARS TO AVOID THE TOWNSHIP INCURRING THE ENTIRE COST IN ONE YEAR AND TO BE AHEAD OF REVALUATION MANDATE FROM THE STATE. ONCE THE MAPS ARE DIGITIZED THE ACTUAL COST OF THE MAINTENANCE OF THE TAX MAPS IS DECREASED.

RESOLVE: ALL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AGREED TO PUT ON HOLD FOR THIS YEAR AND WORK INTO NEXT YEARS BUDGET.

2. LEAF PICK UP:

GRASS MIXED IN WITH LEAVES WHICH MEANS THE LEAVES CAN NOT BE TAKEN TO THE HAMMONTON FARMS FOR FREE. THE MIXTURE OF GRASS AND LEAVES ARE NOW BEING TAKEN TO THE WADE PROPERTY ON JACKSON ROAD NEAR ANDERSON AVENUE FOR A FEE AND COUNTY CONSERVATION IS MORE EXPENSIVE THAN SCURRIA/WADE.

RESOLVE: ALL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AGREED TO NOTIFY SOUTH JERSEY SANITATION TO NOTIFY VICTOR PANGIA AND VICTOR TO NOTIFY BRIAN KRAUS WHEN GRASS MIXED WITH LEAVES OCCURS AND BRIAN TO GIVE A WRITTEN WARNING WITH THE REGULATIONS INCLUDED AND THE SECOND OFFENCE A SUMMONS WILL BE ISSUED IMMEDIATELY.

3. CAPITAL BUDGET PROGRAM FOR 2009:

THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER IS REQUESTING DIRECTION ON THIS MATTER.

RESOLVE: ALL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AGREED TO HAVE STEVE MILLER PREPARE AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION WITH STEVE TO CONFIRM WITH THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE ALL THE CAPITAL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED.

4. TOWING LICENSE ISSUE REGARDING REVENUE FOR THE TOWNSHIP:

- a. BID OUT TOWING SERVICES
- b. INCREASE THE ANNUAL RENEWAL FEE
- c. ASSESSMENT PER TOW

RESOLVE: Options a., b., & c. were presented, after discussion the Township Committee authorized the solicitor to prepare an amendment to the Township Ordinance authorizing option c. to charge a release fee of \$25.00.

ALL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AGREED EXCEPT COMMITTEEMAN CONDO ABSTAINED.

Committeeman Condo - Abstain
Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
Committeeman Halbert - Yes
Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
Mayor Merlino - Yes

5. PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING ON ANDERSON AVENUE:

- a. ESTABLISHMENT OF MINIMUM BID BY THE TOWNSHIP WITH ASSISTANCE FROM TOWNSHIP TAX ASSESSOR - \$75,000.00 MINIMUM ESTABLISHED
- b. HIRE A PROFESSIONAL APPRAISER - NOT HIRE AN APPRAISER
- c. DEED RESTRICTIONS - RESEARCH THE PRESENT ZONING

RESOLVE: ALL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AGREED TO ESTABLISH THE MINIMUM BID OF \$75,000.00 AND NOT TO HIRE AN APPRAISER. THE PRESENT ZONING TO BE RESEARCHED.

6. ADDITIONAL LIGHTS AT THE BURNT MILL ROAD RECREATION COMPLEX:

LIGHTING SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS TO BE PURCHASED OUT OF THE RECREATION TRUST FUND AND WORK TO BE COMPLETED BY VOLUNTEERS.

RESOLVE: MOVED BY FINNERTY, 2ND BY CONDO TO BID OUT FOR THE NOTED ITEMS.

VOICE VOTE:

- Committeeman Condo - Yes
- Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes
- Committeeman Halbert - Yes
- Committeeman Hamilton - Yes
- Mayor Merlino - Yes

OLD BUSINESS: (None Submitted)

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution #2009-265

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS FOR VARIOUS APPOINTED POSITIONS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD.

NOTATION: POSITIONS OF PROSECUTOR, PUBLIC DEFENDER AND PLANNING BOARD SOLICITOR AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR PURSUANT TO THE TOWNSHIP AUDITOR.

Resolution #2009-266

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACT AWARDED TO MIDDLE 10 CONTRACTORS, LLC FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS EXPANSION PROJECT.

NOTATION: CONTRACT EXTENDED 30 DAYS UNTIL FEBRUARY 14, 2010.

Resolution #2009-267

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT #1 TO MIDDLE 10 CONTRACTORS, LLC FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS EXPANSION PROJECT.

Resolution #2009-268

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOUTH JERSEY ENDURO RIDERS TO USE SECTIONS OF WHARTON STATE FOREST WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD ON MARCH 28, 2010 FOR THEIR ANNUAL CURLY FERN ENDURO.

Resolution #2009-269

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD CIVIC AND EVENTS ASSOCIATION TO CLOSE ATCO AVENUE FROM SECOND STREET TO CARL HASSELHAN DRIVE FOR THEIR WINTER ON THE AVENUE EVENT SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2009.

Resolution #2009-270

RESOLUTION APPOINTING THOMAS GIANGIULIO, JR TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF BRIAN CAMPBELL FROM OCTOBER 28, 2009 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2011.

Resolution #2009-271

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE YEAR 2009 BUDGET (CHAPTER 159) REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 REGARDING THE (JAG) JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT. (REQUIRES FOUR YES VOTES TO PASS)

Resolution #2009-272

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP CLERK AND THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO REQUEST QUOTES FROM THE BOND COUNSELS THAT SUBMITTED PROPOSALS FOR BOND COUNSEL FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WATERFORD FOR THE YEAR 2009 FOR QUOTES FOR THE ISSUE OF A BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE (BAN).

Resolution #2009-273

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ASSUMPTION SCHOOL PARENT ASSOCIATION TO CLOSE CARL HASSELHAN DRIVE ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2009 FOR THEIR HALLOWEEN EVENT.

Moved by Hamilton, 2nd by Finnerty to adopt Resolution #2009-265 through Resolution #2009-273.

Poll Vote:

Committeeman Condo - Yes

Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes

Committeeman Halbert - Yes (Except Abstain on Resolution #2009-268)

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES: (FIRST READING) (None Submitted)

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

a.	Current Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$195,925.53
b.	Capital Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$1,010.50
c.	Utility Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$42,688.57
d.	Municipal Alliance Trust Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$3,673.96
e.	Adopt-A-Cop Trust Fund Bill List.	TOTAL	\$134.00
f.	State Grant Bill List.	TOTAL	\$13,270.99

Moved by Condo, 2nd by Halbert to approve and pay the above bills as submitted if documentation is present and when funds are available.

Voice Vote:

Committeeman Condo - Yes

Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes

Committeeman Halbert - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

Eagle Scout Bradley Stevenson in the audience was acknowledged for the improvement he will be making in Rotary Park regarding his Eagle Scout Project approved this evening.

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THE MEETING:

MAYOR OPENS THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

Gabe Cimino and Carl Lange spoke on behalf of the Loudon Fire Company regarding the issue of the Fire Company Building and property and requested a meeting with the Township Committee on this issue.

MAYOR CLOSSES THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS:

ISSUES FROM THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE:

Moment of silence for Timmy Richardson who passed away on Wednesday, October 28, 2009.

CLOSED SESSION: (AS NEEDED) (None Submitted)

CLOSING PRAYER:

ADJOURNMENT: (9:15 PM)

Moved by Condo, 2nd by Halbert to adjourn.

ALL IN FAVOR:

Committeeman Condo - Yes

Committeewoman Finnerty - Yes

Committeeman Halbert - Yes

Committeeman Hamilton - Yes

Mayor Merlino - Yes

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Virginia L. Chandler, RMC
Township Clerk