

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER DEERFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, HIGHWAY 77, SEABROOK, NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO NOTICE.

Present were: James Crilley, Chairman, Bruce Peterson, John Daddario, Scott Smith and John T. O'Neill, Sr. all being members of the Township Committee. Also present were: Roy Spoltore, Township Clerk/Administrator, Rocco Tedesco, Township Solicitor, Teresa Warburton, Recording Secretary, Amy Colaneri, Treasurer, Jeryl Goff, Construction Official and Chad Ott, EMS Chief.

The meeting was called to order with a public announcement statement read by James Crilley, Chairman.

“This meeting is being held in accordance with the “Open Pubic Meetings Act”. Notice of meeting has been provided and published as required by law in the South Jersey Times and the Press, Cumberland County Edition. Notice has also been posted in the Municipal Building. The Clerk shall enter this statement in the minutes of this meeting. In compliance with State Fire Safety Statutes the Mayor instructed those present how to exit the room in an emergency.

James Crilley gave the invocation followed by the flag salute led by John T. O'Neill, Sr.

James Crilley, Chairman opened the meeting for public comment.

With no public comments, James Crilley, Chairman called for the approval of minutes for the meeting of October 1, 2015. On a motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario to dispense with the reading of the minutes, and to accept the minutes as received, was unanimously approved 5-0.

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution Authorizing Closed Session to update the Committee on contracts and other matters requiring attorney client privileged confidential communications. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt resolution, unanimously carried 5-0.

INSERT RESOLUTION

The Committee reopened the public portion of the meeting on a motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario and unanimously carried.

James Crilley, Chairman called for a public hearing Amending Ordinance 720 Fixing Salaries of Certain Officials of the Township of Upper Deerfield in the County of Cumberland, Providing the Terms of Payment Thereof. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario, to open the meeting for a public hearing unanimously approved 5-0 on a roll call vote. Nancy Ridgway asked if the proposed salary fees will be shared with the other municipalities. The Committee confirmed that the proposed salaries would be shared. With no other public comments, on a motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John T. O'Neill, Sr. and unanimously carried, the public hearing was closed. On a motion of John Daddario, seconded by Scott Smith, to approve and adopt proposed ordinance, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT ORDINANCE

Chairman James Crilley called for a discussion and possible introduction of an ordinance entitled,

Authorizing the Expenditure of Capital Improvement Funds for Improvements to Roads. The Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title. Roy Spoltore reported that proposals were received from contractors on Wednesday to pave Button Mill Road. The Township has sufficient funds available to re-pave Button Mill Road from Love Lane to Dawson Drive from the NJ Trust Fund grant and 2015 Capital Improvement Funds. However, if the Committee would like to pave the east bound lane of Cornwell Drive and/or pave Button Mill Road from the curve at Cornwell Drive to Dawson Drive the Capital Ordinance would need to be approved. The Committee discussed the need to complete the road project; and on a motion of Scott Smith, seconded by John T. O'Neill, Sr., and unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote, the Committee agreed to approve and adopt the proposed ordinance on first reading and setting the date for public hearing on November 5, 2015 at 7:00 pm. The Chairman instructed the Clerk to advertise same in the South Jersey Times as required by law and copies to be made available upon request.

INSERT ORDINANCE

Chairman Crilley called for Resolutions 15-270 through 15-293 to be combined as a consent agenda and voted upon as one item. Motion by Mr. Peterson seconded by Mr. O'Neill, Sr., to adopt as a Consent Agenda Resolutions 15-270 to 15-293, and unanimously carried. Roy Spoltore, Clerk then read each resolution by title. On a motion by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Daddario, Resolutions 15-270 to 15-293 were unanimously approved by a roll call vote of 5-0.

Resolution 15-270 – Imposing Lien on Block 502 Lot 4 – 17 Northville Rd - Bombara.

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Resolution 15-271 – Imposing Lien on Block 807 Lot 3– 1001 Highway 77– MBM Properties III, LLC.

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Resolution 15-272 - Imposing Lien on Block 807 Lot 5 – 1006 Olde Rd – MBM Properties III, LLC.

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Resolution 15-273 - Imposing Lien on Block 905 Lot 6 – 1350 Highway 77 – Deerfield Organics, LLC.

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Resolution 15-274 - Imposing Lien on Block 906 Lot 2– 1119 First Avenue– MBM Properties III, LLC.

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Resolution 15-275 - Imposing Lien on Block 906 Lot 6– 1115 First Avenue– MBM Properties III, LLC.

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Resolution 15-276 - Imposing Lien on Block 907 Lot 9 – 1104 First Avenue – Devlin.

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Resolution 15-277-Imposing Lien on Block 910 Lot 11–1418 Second Avenue–MBM Properties III, LLC

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Resolution 15-278 - Imposing Lien on Block 911 Lot 4–1509 Third Avenue–MBM Properties III, LLC.

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Resolution 15-279 - Imposing Lien on Block 914 Lot 3 – 1818 Fourth Avenue – Athey.

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Resolution 15-280 - Imposing Lien on Block 1003 Lot 14 – 8 Seeley Road – Spagnolo.

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Resolution 15-281 - Imposing Lien on Block 1106 Lot 11 – 22 Silver Brook Drive – R & R Way, LLC.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 15-282 - Imposing Lien on Block 1202 Lot 7 – 1241 Highway 77 – CCTS Tax Liens 1.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 15-283 - Imposing Lien on Block 1501 Lot 11 – 88 W Dawson Drive – Capps.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 15-284 - Imposing Lien on Block 1504 Lot 40–7 Granada Drive– Merit Construction, LLC.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 15-285 - Imposing Lien on Block 1808 Lot 42 – 14 Old Deerfield Pike – Coggins.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 15-286 - Imposing Lien on Block 2001 Lot 1 – 2 Landis Avenue – 608-610 Mullica Hill Rd., LLC.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 15-287 - Imposing Lien on Block 2002 Lot 3–60 Centerton Road– Millbilly Holdings, LLC.

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Resolution 15-288 - Imposing Lien on Block 2003 Lot 1 – 27 Hildreth Avenue – Poloff.

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Resolution 15-289 - Imposing Lien on Block 2302 Lot 2 – 11 S Woodruff Rd – Davis.

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Resolution 15-290 - Imposing Lien on Block 2401 Lot 21 – 142 Landis Avenue – Reed.

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Resolution 15-291 - Imposing Lien on Block 2401 Lot 55 – 161 Centerton Rd – Anderson.

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Resolution 15-292 - Imposing Lien on Block 2501 Lot 90 – 179 Landis Avenue – Haberler.

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Resolution 15-293 – Imposing Lien on Block 402 Lot 21 – 43 W Deerfield Rd - Petersen

INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Supporting the New Jersey Department of Transportation to create a “No Passing Zone” Along Route 77. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John T. O’Neill, Sr., to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Approval of Change Order #1 for Sanitary Sewer Collection System Rehabilitation (Phase V) – Fred M Schiavone Construction. The Clerk read the resolution by title. John T. O’Neill, Sr. reported that the sewer lines date back to the 1940’s without good as built drawings and these changes were necessary as the project moved along. He added that the replacement of sewer lines should alleviate some of the Cumberland County Utilities Authority’s billing issues. On motion of John T. O’Neill, Sr., seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Tax Payments to be refunded. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John T. O’Neill, Sr., to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Awarding Bid to Ricky Slade Construction Inc. for the Resurfacing of Button Mill Road. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Appointing Individuals for Temporary Seasonal Employment. The Clerk read the resolution by title. John T. O’Neill, Sr. gave an overview of the job description and the need for these individuals during leaf pick-up. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Payment of Bills, in the amount of \$1,150,453.03. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote, with John Daddario abstaining from the JEM Print bill.

INSERT RESOLUTION

COMMITTEE REPORTS

John Daddario reported that he has been receiving a census list from the sport leagues in the Township. Basketball is primarily all Upper Deerfield residents, Little League consists of around 75% from Upper Deerfield Township and Midget Football has approximately 35 participants from Upper Deerfield and 58 from Fairfield Township residents. Cohansey Soccer has not provided an update. Proposals were received from five companies to do annual service maintenance and safety checks on the fire trucks; E.V.S. - \$3,698.99, Cruzan's Freightliner - \$3,887.64, A. Foote Repair - \$3,850.00, Blaze Emergency - \$6,600.00 and First Priority - \$8,000.00. On motion of John Daddario, seconded by Bruce Peterson to award the proposal to E.V. S. in the amount of \$3,698.99, which was unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

Scott Smith reported that he spoke with Chad Ott before the meeting and the leaf pick-up equipment is ready to begin collecting the leaves. Collection will begin October 26th.

Bruce Peterson reported that the window installation has been moved back to November 16th.

John T. O'Neill, Sr. reported that Clement Pappas has contact water they have from their own wells which are supposed to be disposed of through an alternate procedure that does not include sending the wastewater to the CCUA. He added that the waste stream from Clement Pappas may not all be metered and that the utility committee will need to review the outbound flows based on the latest as-builts from the area.

Mayor Crilley reported that the Wal-Mart recently held a grand re-opening on 10/02/2015 and the company gave the Township fire companies and EMS \$500 each for a total of \$2,000.00. the chairman added that Blake Maloney, Chairperson of the Environmental Commission has recommended the appointment of Steve Smith as an alternate member of the Commission. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to appointment Steve Smith on the Environmental Commission, unanimously carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Rocco Tedesco, Solicitor did not have a report this evening.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Roy Spoltore reported that the Cumberland County Improvement Authority will have a public hearing on October 27, 2015 at 6:00 pm for the Authority to obtain a Class B waste license. The State Attorney General's office sent a letter approving the proposed liquor license ordinance with the recommendation that the section pertaining to penalties be removed. Representatives from NJDCA came down and inspected the proposed 2016 Small Cities facilities grant project. There are over 24 project applications statewide with only 3 million dollars available. State representatives were informed that the Township would be willing to accept a smaller project due to the limited amount of funds available. The Committee discussed hiring inspectors for the proposed shared service with the City of Millville. James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Appointing

Township Officials and Certifying Salaries. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith, and unanimously carried the resolution certifying salaries for the pending Shared Service Agreement with the City of Millville was approved 5-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

DEPARTMENTAL MONTHLY REPORTS: September 2015

Animal Control and Dog Registrar Monthly Report
Clerks Monthly Report
Construction Office Monthly Report
Housing and Zoning
Municipal Court Monthly Report
Tax Collectors Report
Vital Statistics
Fire Official

At this time James Crilley, Chairman opened the meeting for additional public comments.

Marita Lawson of Fourth Avenue stated that her cable bill was extremely high and felt that residents of Upper Deerfield Township paid more for their cable bills. She stated that her cable bill has increased from \$111.00 to \$170.00 and wanted to know if there is anything the Township can do to have the bill lowered? She was told to contact the Comcast retention department and see if they could do anything. In the meantime the administrator will call Comcast and see what options might be available for Ms. Lawson.

Dean Hawk of Merritt Avenue asked if the surcharge billing from the CCUA has been resolved and what was the cause? The committee replied that some of the repair work that was being done in the Seabrook area with the Small Cities grant uncovered a couple of possible causes and they have been repaired or replaced. Mr. Hawk found the newsletter to be very informative this time. Mr. Hawk asked if there was any information from the CCIA regarding the possible purchase of land for 3.4 million dollar in Vineland? Mayor Crilley reported that he will have more information at the next meeting. Mr. Hawk asked if there would be a benefit for Upper Deerfield Township with the proposed shared service agreement with the City of Millville. He was informed that shared service agreements the Township enters into are mutually beneficial.

Sandy Acevedo of Old Burlington Road asked if the consent agenda was for lawn maintenance of foreclosed properties in the Township. She was informed that they are primarily foreclosed properties. Ms. Acevedo asked if the salary ranges approved were at the high end of the spectrum. The Clerk responded that the proposed employees would be in the middle of the salary ranges.

Nancy Ridgway of Irving Avenue asked if the Township would be asking neighboring communities for funding after receiving the census information from each of the Leagues. Ms. Ridgway stated that the State laws recommend that leaves do not stay on streets for more than 7 days. Ms. Ridgway commended Mayor Crilley's on his presentation in Millville with how Upper Deerfield handles property maintenance issues that have developed due to the number of properties that are being foreclosed and the new residential tax abatement program.

Amad Russell of First Avenue thanked the committee for maintaining the recreation fields as he currently plays baseball and football.

Tiara Myree of First Avenue thanked the committee for providing the recreation fields open for the youth to use.

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution Authorizing Closed Session to for a resolution Authorizing Closed Session to update the Committee on Litigation, personnel and other matters requiring attorney client privileged confidential communications. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt resolution, unanimously carried 5-0.

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The Committee reopened the public portion of the meeting on a motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario and unanimously carried.

With no further business to come before the Committee, on a motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario, to adjourn the meeting, and unanimously carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa L. Warburton, Recording Secretary

Roy J. Spoltore, Township Clerk