

**MINUTES OF THE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
UPPER DEERFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, HELD ON
THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2016, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING,
HIGHWAY 77, SEABROOK, NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO NOTICE**

Present were: James Crilley, John T. O'Neill, Sr., Scott Smith and John Daddario all being members of the Township Committee. Also present were: Dante Romanini, Assistant Solicitor; Roy Spoltore, Township Administrator/Clerk; Amy Colaneri, Treasurer, and Teresa Warburton, Recording Secretary. Bruce Peterson was unable to attend the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman James Crilley and he read the following public meeting announcement.

"This meeting is being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act." Notice of the meeting has been provided and published as required by law in the Daily Journal 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 Statues the Chairman instructs those present how to exit the room in an emergency."

James Crilley gave an invocation followed by the flag salute led by John Daddario.

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

There being no public comments James Crilley, Chairman called for the approval of minutes for the meeting of April 7, 2016. On a motion of Scott Smith, seconded by John T. O'Neill, Sr., to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to accept the minutes as received, unanimously approved 4-0.

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Authorizing the Reading of the 2016 Municipal Budget and 2016 Utility Budget by Title. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John Daddario, seconded by Scott Smith, to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Confirming Compliance with NJAC 5:30-7; Conducting Local Examinations of 2016 Annual Municipal Budget Township of Upper Deerfield, County of Cumberland. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Scott Smith, seconded by John T. O'Neill, Sr., to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a public hearing on an ordinance entitled, 2016 Municipal Budget and 2016 Utility Budget by Title. The Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title. On motion of by John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by John Daddario to open the meeting for a public hearing on the proposed ordinance, and unanimously carried. The Chairman instructed the Clerk to distribute copies of the budget to those present. Nick Petroni, Township Auditor explained that budget looks good. The Township is \$91,000 under the cap for 2016 and the local tax is only going up 8 tenths of a cent. Nancy Ridgway of Irving Avenue asked about the employee health insurance and whether the Cadillac tax would be applicable. It was explained that the enactment of the national Cadillac tax has been

extended to 2020 and the Township will need to see what the program will be at that time. Ms. Ridgway stated she was opposed to the expenditures for water and coffee for the employees. There being no further public comments, on motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by Scott Smith to close the public hearing and unanimously carried.

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Adoption of the 2016 Municipal and 2016 Utility Budget. The Clerk read the resolution by title. Mayor Crilley stated that this is a good budget, the staff understands the fiscal concerns of the Township and the Township has done a good job in securing grants to reduce burden on the taxpayers. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a public hearing on an ordinance entitled, Appropriating \$1,008,300.00 from Grants and Capital Reserve Accounts to Provide Funding for the Purchase of Land. The Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title. On motion of by John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by John Daddario to open the meeting for a public hearing on the proposed ordinance, and unanimously carried. The Chairman instructed the Clerk to distribute copies to those present. Roy Spoltore, Clerk gave an overview of the proposed ordinance. Nancy Ridgway of Irving Avenue commented that this has been a longtime coming. There being no further public comments, on motion of Scott Smith, seconded by John T. O'Neill, Sr., to close the public hearing and unanimously carried. On motion of John Daddario, seconded by John T. O'Neill, Sr., to approve and adopt proposed ordinance, unanimously carried 4-0.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Chapter 159 - NJ Department of Transportation Trust Fund Grant. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Chapter 159 - NJ Department of Environmental Protection Green Acres Grant. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Chapter 159 - Frank H. Stewart Trust Grant. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Authorizing Tonnage Grant Application to the NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection. 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 4-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Appointing Plumbing Sub-code Official – John Lamanteer. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Appointing Plumbing Sub-code Official for Shared Service Agreement and Certifying Salary. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Authorizing Release of Performance Bond – Wawa, Inc. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Authorizing the Co-Purchase of Sunset Lake Property Block 1601, Lots 1 & 5, and Block 1701, Lot 12. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Authorizing the Township of Upper Deerfield to Take Sole Title to the Sunset Lake Property Block 1601 Lots 1 & 5, and Block 1701 Lot 12. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Authorizing the Release of Frank H. Stewart Trust Grant for the Purchase of the Sunset Lake Property Block 1601, Lots 1 & 5 and Block 1701 Lot 12. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John Daddario seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

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James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Payment of Bills, in the amount of \$2,363,767.21. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote with John Daddario abstaining on the JEM Print bills.

INSERT RESOLUTION

COMMITTEE REPORTS

John Daddario reported that the wood chipper has arrived which will be much safer for our employees to use. The North Cumberland Little League pre-season field work has been completed. Button Mill Road paving looks great and the contractor did a good job. The fire companies have been discussing the implementation of a LOSAP or stipend program for the volunteers. The Township needs to look into the programs and have a meeting with the fire chiefs once the information has been gathered. John Daddario made a motion to regretfully accept the resignation of Claudio Bizzaro who will be going into his own home improvement business, which was seconded by Scott Smith and unanimously carried. Mr. Daddario added that public works is starting to lay concrete at the recycling center.

Scott Smith stated that Button Mill Road looks fantastic; Ricky Slade did a great job. The new chipper will be good to have with the types of storm damage we have been having recently.

John T. O'Neill, Sr. made a motion for CEU's for Marion Higbee for a bail reform class which will require mileage reimbursement of 60 miles, seconded by John Daddario, and unanimously approved 4-0 on a roll call vote. Saturday is Community Day which is a fun day if anyone can attend.

Mayor Crilley reported that John Fuyume threw out the first pitch at the Phillies game for Asian Pacific night. The Hoh Daiko drummers performed and the stadium announcer read John's life accomplishments prior to the first pitch. Chairman Crilley reported that he, Terry O'Neill and Roy Spoltore attended a 30 Mayors and 30 Developers meeting in Mount Laurel and the township was able to speak with a couple of potential developers. Mayor Crilley added he attended the Chamber of Commerce Business Expo at the Alms Center and it was a nice event.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Roy Spoltore, Administrator reminded everyone that the Financial Disclosure Statements are due by April 30, 2016. Mr. Spoltore reported that there are a couple of change orders needed to be approved at the convenience center due to the removal of old concrete pad sites which were attached to various drainage pipes that needed to be removed and a small sewer line that needed to be repaired. The cost of the change orders will be \$1,900. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt said change order for David B. Gates, Inc., unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote. Proposals were received to tub grind the brush piles at the convenience center from David B. Gates, Inc. in the amount of \$3,500 per day, Peach Coventry Mulch in the amount of \$5,250 per day and Clear Land in the amount of \$5,100 per day. On motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by Scott Smith to approve the proposal from David B. Gates, Inc. for up to two days of brush disposal, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote. The NJLM Advisory and the monthly departmental reports are contained in this evening's packet.

Mayor Crilley added that he has received complaints about individuals riding motor bikes and ATV's on the Signature property. The State Police will be notified. John Daddario suggested the Township look into not allowing parking on Hoover Road near the Little League fields.

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

Nancy Ridgway of Irving Avenue reported that Mayor Crilley and Mr. Spoltore attended the County Economic Development luncheon and they did a good presentation on what is happening in Upper Deerfield. She thanked the committee for their discussion about the budget and really appreciates the education that is provided. Ms. Ridgway reported that Kenneth Chann was appointed as the Treasurer to the Cumberland County Utilities Authority. She added that the Planning Board may need to re-examine the solar panel ordinance pertaining to landscape buffering.

With no other public comments and no further business to come before the Committee, on a motion of John T. O'Neill, Sr., seconded by Scott Smith to adjourn the meeting, and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa L. Warburton, Recording Secretary

Roy J. Spoltore, Township Clerk