

**MINUTES OF THE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
UPPER DEERFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, HELD ON
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2019, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING,
HIGHWAY 77, SEABROOK, NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO NOTICE**

Present were: John Daddario, John T. O'Neill, Sr., Bruce Peterson, and Scott Smith all being members of the Township Committee. Also present were: Rocco Tedesco, Solicitor; Roy Spoltore, Township Administrator/Clerk; Brian Murphy, Township Engineer, Chad Ott, Chief of EMS, and Teresa Warburton, Recording Secretary. James Crilley was unable to attend the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman John T. O'Neill, Sr. 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.

John T. O'Neill, Sr., Vice Chairman asked for a moment of silence followed by the flag salute led by Scott Smith.

At this time John T. O'Neill, Sr., Vice Chairman opened the meeting for public comment.

Troy Smith of MacArthur Drive, has been living at the address for about 10 years and recently the developers of the property started to clean up the retention basin behind his home and that of seven other homeowners. All of the shrubbery has been removed and the split rail fence is broken surrounded the basin is broken in areas. Mr. Smith is looking selling his home and wanted to know what the plans have been made for the basin. Brian Murphy Township Engineer explained that the basin was supposed to be maintained and the neighboring basin owned by Vesta Corp. is going to be cleaned as well. The original developer will be repairing the fence and taking care of side erosion as well as making sure the basin bottom is functioning properly.

There being no other public comments John T. O'Neill, Sr., Vice Chairman called for the approval of minutes for the Meeting of January 17, 2019. On a motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith, to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to accept the minutes as received, unanimously approved, 4-0.

Vice Chairman John T. O'Neill, Sr. called for a public hearing on an ordinance entitled, Adopting Redevelopment Plan and Report and Recommendation of the Planning Board of the Township of Upper Deerfield. The Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title. Rocco Tedesco, Solicitor reported that the proposed developer was not available this evening and informed the Committee that they could continue the public hearing to their March 7, 2019 meeting. On motion of by Bruce Peterson, seconded John Daddario to continue the public hearing on the proposed ordinance to March 7, 2019, and unanimously carried 4-0, on a roll call vote.

Vice Chairman John T. O'Neill, Sr. called for a public hearing on an ordinance entitled, Amending Chapter 28 of the Upper Deerfield Township Code. The Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title. On motion of by John Daddario, seconded by Scott Smith to open the meeting for a public

hearing on the proposed ordinance, and unanimously carried. The Vice Chairman instructed the Clerk to distribute copies to those present. There being no public comments, on motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded John Daddario, to close the public hearing and unanimously carried. On motion of John Daddario, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt proposed ordinance, unanimously carried 4-0, on a roll call vote.

INSERT ORDINANCE

Vice Chairman John T. O'Neill, Sr. called for a public hearing on an ordinance entitled, Amending Chapter 31 of the Code of the Township of Upper Deerfield Entitled: "Historical Committee". The Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title. Roy Spoltore, Clerk explained that this would create 4 alternate members as the Historical and Pride committees are being combined. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith, 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. There being no public comments, on motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario, to close the public hearing and unanimously carried. On motion of John Daddario, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt proposed ordinance, unanimously carried 4-0, on a roll call vote.

INSERT ORDINANCE

Vice Chairman John T. O'Neill, Sr. called for a public hearing on an ordinance entitled, Amending Chapter 405, Article XII of the Code of the Township of Upper Deerfield Entitled: "Planning Board". The Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title. Roy Spoltore, Clerk explained that this would add 2 alternates to make a total of 4 alternates for the Planning Board. On motion of Scott Smith, seconded by Bruce Peterson, 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. There being no public comments, on motion of John Daddario, seconded by Bruce Peterson, to close the public hearing and unanimously carried. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt proposed ordinance, unanimously carried 4-0, on a roll call vote.

INSERT ORDINANCE

Vice Chairman John T. O'Neill, Sr. called for a discussion and introduction of an ordinance entitled, Amending Section 405-3 and Section 405B of the Code of the Township of Upper Deerfield. The Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title. On motion of John Daddario, seconded by Bruce Peterson to approve and adopt proposed ordinance on first reading and setting the date for public hearing on March 7, 2019 at 7:00 pm and was carried 4-0 on a roll call vote. The Chairman instructed the Clerk to advertise same in the Daily Journal as required by law and copies to be made available upon request.

INSERT ORDINANCE

Vice Chairman John T. O'Neill, Sr. called for a discussion and introduction of an ordinance entitled, Amending Chapter 328 of the Code of the Township of Upper Deerfield with Respect to Sewer Use and Fees. The Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt proposed ordinance on first reading and setting the date for public hearing on February 21, 2019 at 7:00 pm and was carried 4-0 on a roll call vote. The Chairman instructed the Clerk to advertise same in the Daily Journal as required by law and copies to be made available upon request.

INSERT ORDINANCE

Vice Chairman John T. O'Neill, Sr. called for a discussion and introduction of an ordinance entitled, Amending Chapter 396 of the Code of the Township of Upper Deerfield with Respect to Water Use and Fees. The Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt proposed ordinance on first reading and setting the date for public hearing on February 21, 2019 at 7:00 pm and was carried 4-0 on a roll call vote. The Chairman instructed the Clerk to advertise same in the Daily Journal as required by law and copies to be made available upon request.

INSERT ORDINANCE

John T. O'Neill, Sr., Vice Chairman called for a resolution entitled Authorizing Agreement between County of Cumberland and Township of Upper Deerfield Regarding the Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

John T. O'Neill, Sr., Vice Chairman called for a resolution entitled Approval of Change Order #1 Small Cities - Locker. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

John T. O'Neill, Sr., Vice Chairman called for a resolution entitled Small Cities Facilities Grant to Implement a Housing Rehabilitation Fund Project. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

John T. O'Neill, Sr., Vice Chairman called for a resolution entitled Authorizing Release of Performance Bond Kim Sod Company. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

John T. O'Neill, Sr., Vice Chairman called for a resolution entitled Amending Certification of Certain Employee Salary. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

John T. O'Neill, Sr., Vice 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 Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

John T. O'Neill, Sr., Vice Chairman called for a resolution entitled Payment of Bills in the amount of \$2,220,770.23. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote, and with John Daddario abstained on Jem Print.

INSERT RESOLUTION

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

John Daddario stated that signups are starting for Little League and Soccer

Scott Smith did not have a report this evening.

Bruce Peterson did not have a report this evening.

John T. O'Neill, Sr. stated that the backwash from nitrate removal will be an item of discussion when the Township engineer meets with officials from the Cumberland County Utility Authority tomorrow.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Roy Spoltore informed the Committee that he, John Daddario and Bruce Peterson attended the JIF elected officials meeting last evening, The Upper Deerfield Township School is requesting the Rental Registration Fee be waived again this year. On motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by John Daddario to approve waiving of the Rental Registration fee for 2019, unanimously approved 4-0 on a roll call vote. The Recycling Tonnage Grant for 2018 was approximately \$24,000.00. Mr. Spoltore spoke with a DEP official and they stated that food waste from Seabrook and Lassonde Pappas will no longer be included in the annual recycling amounts for the Township as the state will no longer be counting food waste that is re-cultivated into the ground.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Brian Murphy commented that we already discussed the retention basin work by Land Partners. Mr. Murphy added that application for permits for the new Seabrook water tower have been made to DEP. NJEIT requested that the templates for non-construction plans be included in the application packet, which he is currently completing. Mr. Murphy and Ron Curcio are meeting with the Cumberland County Utilities Authority to discuss the proposed nitrate removal system for Love lane water facility and the anticipated backwash from the new removal system. An amendment to the DCA small cities grant has been made to allow for the installation of two new fire hydrants on the east side of Highway 77 beginning at the old Board of Education office.

TAX COLLECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

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

At this time John T. O'Neill, Sr., Vice Chairman opened the meeting for additional public comments.

Nancy Ridgway of Irving Avenue wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

There being no comments or further business to come before the Committee, on motion of Bruce Peterson, seconded by Scott Smith to adjourn, unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa L. Warburton
Recording Secretary

Roy J. Spoltore
Township Clerk