

**MINUTES OF THE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
UPPER DEERFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, HELD ON
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2020, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING,
HIGHWAY 77, SEABROOK, NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO NOTICE**

Present were James Crilley, John Daddario and Scott Smith all being members of the Township Committee. Also present were Rocco Tedesco, Solicitor, Roy Spoltore, Township Administrator/Clerk, Amy Colaneri, CFO, and Teresa Warburton, Recording Secretary. John O'Neill and Bruce Peterson were unable to attend.

The meeting was called to order by Committeeman 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 the invocation followed by the flag salute led by Scott Smith.

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 December 3, 2020. On a motion of Scott Smith, seconded by John Daddario, to dispense with the reading of the minutes, and to accept the minutes as received, unanimously approved 3-0.

The Township Committee reviewed the Professional RFP'S that were received by the deadline of December 9th.

Township Solicitor – Law Office of Rocco J. Tedesco, Esq., LLC – Rocco Tedesco, Esq.
Township Engineer – MV Engineering LLC- Brian Murphy, PE
Township Auditor - Petroni & Associates, LLC – Nick Petroni, CPA, RMA
Planning Board Solicitor – Ritter Law Office - Matthew Ritter, Esq
Planning Board Engineer – Fralinger Engineering PA – J. Michael Fralinger, Jr., PE
Planning Board Planner – Scheule Planning Solutions LLC- Randall Scheule, PP
Township Zoning Officer – Maria DiSalvatore, Anthony Lamanteer
Animal Shelter – South Jersey Regional Animal Shelter
Animal Control Officer – Shore Animal Control

The Committee will hold individual Public Hearings on each of the positions at the December 30th meeting.

James Crilley, Chairman called for Resolutions 20-197 through 20-205 to be combined as a consent agenda and voted upon as one item. Motion by Mr. Daddario, seconded by Mr. Smith to adopt as a Consent Agenda Resolutions 20-197 to 20-205, and unanimously carried. Roy Spoltore, Clerk then read each resolution by title. On a motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Daddario, Resolutions 20-197 to 20-205 were unanimously approved by a roll call vote of 3-0.

Resolution 20-197 – Authorizing Sale of Property Block 303, Lot 1.04 on the Tax Map of the

Township of Upper Deerfield, Known as 150 Friesburg Road.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-198 – Authorizing Sale of Property Block 303, Lot 1.05 on the Tax Map of the Township of Upper Deerfield, Known as 144 Friesburg Road.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-199 – Authorizing Sale of Property Block 303, Lot 1.06 on the Tax Map of the Township of Upper Deerfield, Known as 140 Friesburg Road.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-200 – Authorizing Sale of Property Block 303, Lot 1.07 on the Tax Map of the Township of Upper Deerfield, Known as 136 Friesburg Road.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-201 – Authorizing Sale of Property Block 303, Lot 1.08 on the Tax Map of the Township of Upper Deerfield, Known as 21 Beals Mill Road.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-202 – Authorizing Sale of Property Block 303, Lot 1.09 on the Tax Map of the Township of Upper Deerfield, Known as 27 Beals Mill Road.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-203 – Authorizing Sale of Property Block 303, Lot 1.10 on the Tax Map of the Township of Upper Deerfield, Known as 31 Beals Mill Road.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-204 – Authorizing Sale of Property Block 303, Lot 1.11 on the Tax Map of the Township of Upper Deerfield, Known as 35 Beals Mill Road.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-205 – Authorizing Sale of Property Block 2704, Lot 8.01 on the Tax Map of the Township of Upper Deerfield, Known as Fern Road (Rear).

INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for Resolutions 20-206 through 20-209 to be combined as a consent agenda and voted upon as one item. Motion by Mr. Daddario, seconded by Mr. Smith to adopt as a Consent Agenda Resolutions 20-206 to 20-209, and unanimously carried. Roy Spoltore, Clerk then read each resolution by title. On a motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Daddario, Resolutions 20-206 to 20-209 were unanimously approved by a roll call vote of 3-0.

Resolution 20-206 – Authorizing Interlocal Service Agreement Between the Township of Upper Deerfield and Township of Fairfield with Respect to the Provision of Construction Code Services.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-207 – Authorizing Interlocal Service Agreement Between the Township of Upper Deerfield and Township of Greenwich with Respect to the Provision of Construction Code Services.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-208 – Authorizing Interlocal Service Agreement Between the Township of Upper

Deerfield and Township of Hopewell with Respect to the Provision of Construction Code Services.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-209 – Authorizing Shared Service Agreement with the Township of Pittsgrove - CFO.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-210 - James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Authorizing the Tax Collector to Adjust Taxes for a Wartime Service-Connected 100% Disability- Pollock. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Scott Smith, seconded by John Daddario, to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 3-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20- 211 – James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Tax Payments to be Refunded. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Scott Smith, seconded by John Daddario, to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 3-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

Resolution 20-212 - James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Amending Contract to Ricky Slade Construction Inc. for the Reconstruction of Pleasant Drive, Merlin Drive and Woodmont Circle - 1. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of John Daddario, seconded by Scott Smith, to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 3-0 on a roll call vote.

INSERT RESOLUTION

James Crilley, Chairman called for a resolution entitled Payment of Bills, in the amount of \$169,365.01. On motion of Scott Smith, seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt said resolution, unanimously carried 3-0 on a roll call vote with John Daddario with Jem Print.

INSERT RESOLUTION

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

John Daddario reported that the North Cumberland Little League Bathroom has been vandalized. Leaf collection is nearly completed

Scott Smith did not have a report this evening.

James Crilley commented the soccer tournament went off with approval from the Governor's office on the plan presented by Cohansey Soccer Club. The weather was not cooperative, but the tournament and cooperation from the club went well. The Soccer Club will be sent a reminder of the process to utilize Township fields for tournaments. The Recreation commission will need to approve events in writing at a meeting. It was suggested that the recycling center provide masks to individuals who do not have one. Will check with Chad Ott. The final closeout meeting will be held on December 30, 2020 at 3pm. Reorganization meeting will have a limited attendance due to indoor gathering restrictions. Appointees to the various boards will be asked not to attend and an Oath of Office will be mailed to them.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Roy Spoltore, Administrator reported that the November departmental reports, county road projects for 2021, remaining budget balance as of Dec. 17th and a draft re-organization agenda are in this evenings packet for your review. At the end of year meeting, some appropriations will be cancelled and capital improvements will be transferred to reserves. 61 capital connections fees have been paid by the Seabrook East Development this year which can be used towards the capital cost of the nitrate removal facility at Love Lane. Bristol Ponds looking to Planning Board January/February.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Rocco Tedesco, Solicitor stated that he has had preliminary discussions with the potential Buyer/Developer of Bristol Ponds. They want to discuss the sewer/water connections and whether there can be a payment schedule. Cumberland County Utilities Authority was supposed to have a meeting today at 4pm to amend the "Sewer Use Rules". Mr. Tedesco has spoken with the CCUA attorney and they agreed to hold off approving certain sections of the amended rules until the mediation can continue between the Township and the CCUA.

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

Nancy Ridgway of Irving Avenue reported that the Cumberland County Utilities Authority moved forward with Rules at their meeting this afternoon. The CCUA Director's report mentioned that a meeting will be held with Upper Deerfield. Grace will be leaving as the attorney for the CCUA in 2021. Dean Hawk of Merritt Avenue thanked the Committee for the update on the soccer tournament. Mike Everly of Eugene Court asked if he was going to be required to pay COAH fees for his new home on Tunbridge. Roy Spoltore commented that he received an email today that the COAH fees are not required.

With no further public comments and no further business to come before the Committee Chairman James Crilley, called for a resolution Authorizing Closed Session to discuss contracts, potential litigation and matters requiring attorney client privileged confidential communications. The Clerk read the resolution by title. On motion of Scott Smith, seconded by John Daddario to approve and adopt resolution, unanimously carried 4-0 on a roll call vote.

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

With no no further business to come before the Committee, on a motion of John Daddario, seconded by Scott Smith to adjourn the meeting, and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa L. Warburton, Recording Secretary

Roy J. Spoltore, Township Clerk