

EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

January 11, 2010

7:30 p.m.

Mayor Springer called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Springer certified that the meeting was published in Burlington County Times on January 8, 2010. Notice was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were satisfied.

Everyone participated in the flag salute.

Present were: Mayor Jay Springer, Deputy Mayor Louise Campbell, Council Member Joseph Maroccia, Council Member Keith Nagler, and Council Member Walter Tafe. Also present were: Township Attorney Eileen Fahey, Municipal Clerk Kim-Marie White and Township Manager Scott Carew.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT:

Township Manager Carew said the next meeting of the Ad-Hoc Committee regarding Redevelopment is Monday, January 18. They would be working with Eileen to prepare an MOU for Council's approval.

Township Manager Carew attached to his Manager's report is the New Jersey League Magazine Article that he was asked to write. Mayor Springer had a chance to review the article before it was submitted yesterday.

Township Manager Carew said you all probably know, there was a huge fire in a townhouse on Melody Court on New Year's Eve. It was a two-alarm fire. Eastampton's Fire Department and Police Department did a great job in putting out the fire, taking care of the victims, and investigating the cause. Gene was also working New Years Eve, condemning two of the townhouse units.

Council raised questions and concerns regarding who is responsible for paying for the demolition and paying the taxes since there is a lien on the property.

Township Manager Carew said the Department of Public Works did a fantastic job dealing with the second worst snow storm on record for this region. He attached a memo to his Manager's report from Rich outlining the costs from the storm that has been submitted to the County OEM for reimbursement. He said the Department of Public Works staff reached the annual limit for overtime pay as laid out in their contract about half-way through the storm. As such, half of their compensation was comp-time.

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Council raised questions regarding recreation vehicles being parked on the street.

Township Manager Carew said the County is hosting workshops on this topic for municipalities with septic systems. He has been in contact with several of his colleagues. They will be meeting soon to come up with a strategy to push the responsibility of monitoring the septic systems back on to the County.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2010-16 Appointment of Municipal Auditor

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by MAROCCIA to approve Resolution R2010-16.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-16 was approved.

Resolution R2010-17 Appointment of Insurance Broker of Record

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by MAROCCIA to approve Resolution R2010-17.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-17 was approved.

Resolution R2010-18 Appointment of Municipal Planner

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by MAROCCIA to approve Resolution R2010-18.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-18 was approved.

Resolution R2010-19 Appointment of Municipal Solicitor

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by MAROCCIA to approve Resolution R2010-19.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-19 was approved.

Resolution R2010-20 Defer School Taxes

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It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by MAROCCIA to approve Resolution R2010-20.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-20 was approved.

Resolution R2010-21 State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
Green Acres Amendment (Number 7) to Project Agreement

It was MOVED by CAMPBELL and seconded by NAGLER to approve Resolution R2010-21.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-21 was approved.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS:

- Township Clerk (December)
- Police (November)
- Public Works

It was MOVED by TAFE and seconded by CAMPBELL to approve the reports for Township Clerk, Police, and Public Works.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the monthly reports for Construction, Public Works, Township Clerk and Treasurer were approved.

- Tax Assessor

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by CAMPBELL to approve the report for Tax Assessor.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Nagler, Tafe, Springer
Nays - None
Abstain - Maroccia

There being four (4) ayes and one (1) abstention, Tax Assessor report was approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Court report from Westampton (November)

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Councilman Nagler suggested that the Court report from Westampton be listed under Acceptance of Report every month.

It was MOVED by CAMPBELL and seconded by NAGLER to approve the report for the Court.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer

Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the monthly report for the Court was approved.

Councilman Nagler asked Township Manager Carew to look into having a company collect court fines prior to May 2009.

Township Manager Carew said he would have information for them at the next Council Meeting.

Councilman Nagler said as the outgoing Mayor he picks the Volunteer of the Year and his pick is John Geary. He asked Township Manager Crew to contact the school to see if they wish to pick a Teacher of the Year. The date of the event would be April 14, the time would be determined later.

Deputy Mayor Campbell said she would like to start the discussion on roads improvements.

Township Manager Carew said he would ask the Township Engineer to come to the March 8 meeting to speak with Council regarding the roads improvements.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Refuse Container/Dumpster Ordinance and Private Storm Drain Inlet Retro-Fitting Ordinance

It was MOVED by CAMPBELL and seconded by NAGLER to have the Township Attorney prepare the Ordinances for introduction at the January 25, 2010 meeting.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer

Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the motion was passed.

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

Township Attorney Fahey discussed the Recycling ordinance that the County would like adopted.

Councilman Tafe said that Rich Parks memo regarding the snow overtime was very well put together.

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Deputy Mayor Campbell said that Dr. Krastek and Business Administrator Smith would be speaking to the Senior Group On February 5.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Sidney Camp from Westampton send he would have the letter sent over from the Superior Court of New Jersey acknowledging what a great job Westampton was doing managing three court systems.

It was MOVED by MAROCCIA and seconded by NAGLER to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Campbell, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Springer

Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the motion passed to adjourn the meeting.

Kim-Marie White

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Municipal Clerk

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Mayor

Approved: February 8, 2010