

**EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**

**REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**

November 8, 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 the 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.

Present were: Mayor Jay Springer, Deputy Mayor Louise Campbell, 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. Council Member Joseph Maroccia was absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**SWEARING IN CEREMONY:**

- o Class II Special Officer Thomas W. Reed

Municipal Clerk White swore in Class II Special Officer Thomas W. Reed.

**TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Township Manager Carew said he invited Greg Grimaldi of Connor Strong to give a presentation to the Township tonight. Should we leave the State Health Benefits Plan and join the health insurance fund (HIF) we will have his information.

Mr. Grimaldi introduced his company and said that if the Township does decide to leave the State Health Benefits Plan the coverage presently would remain the same or be better than the employees have now. The coverage they would have would be Aetna US Healthcare. He said that he would need the Township to pay \$2,000 to the State to release the records so his company can properly analyze them and give the Township a fair premium amount. Mr. Grimaldi said he would also need to know what insurance plans the employees have now and whether they are on single or family.

Council decided to ask the Chief Financial Officer where he would take the money from to pay the fee to obtain the records Mr. Grimaldi needs.

Township Manager Carew said they would discuss this at the budget workshop session on November 22, 2010.

Township Manager Carew said he is expecting a new remote controlled box to get the sign fixed and up and running.

Township Manager Carew said the 825 recycling carts should be delivered to Phase I of the residents by the end of the year. The County would be handing out literature to inform the residents how to use the carts and what could be placed in them.

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Councilman Nagler asked if Public Works could pick up the recycling on the private roads since OTC can't get their trucks down there.

Township Manager Carew said he feels comfortable speaking with the Public Works Director first because they are short staffed now.

Mayor Springer asked what other towns' do that have private roads to collect recyclables.

Township Manager Carew said he had a pre-construction meeting with the Township Engineer to discuss the West Railroad Avenue and the 2010 Road Improvement Program.

Township Manager Carew said he has been working on the newsletter blog.

Township Manager Carew said the law allows the township to use Class II Officers in emergency situations for sixty days. The law does allow for two sixty day extension through the prosecutor's office. Thomas Reed would be working approximately 40 hours a week to help fill in the gap of full time police officers.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

September 27, 2010

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by TAFE that the September 27, 2010 minutes be approved.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays the September 27, 2010 minutes were approved.

September 27, 2010 Closed Session

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by TAFE that the September 27, 2010 closed session minutes be approved.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays the September 27, 2010 closed session minutes were approved.

October 12, 2010

Mayor Springer indicated he would like the minutes corrected to say "Mayor Springer said they should install a light with a motion detector at the recreation building".

It was MOVED by CAMPBELL and seconded by NAGLER that the October 12, 2010 minutes be approved as corrected.

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

There being two (2) ayes and two (2) abstentions the October 12, 2010 minutes were approved as corrected.

October 25, 2010

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by TAFE that the October 25, 2010 minutes be approved.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays the October 25, 2010 minutes were approved.

**ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION:**

Ordinance No. 2010-17      An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 2010-10 Establishing Police Salaries and Wages to Include a Class II Officer Position

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by TAFE to approve Ordinance 2010-17 and set public hearing for November 22, 2010.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, Ordinance 2010-17 was adopted.

Mayor Springer said the publication date on the ordinance would be November 12, 2010.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Resolution R2010-94      Appointment of Special Class II Officer to Eastampton Township Police Department

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by TAFE to approve Resolution R2010-94.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-94 was approved.

Resolution R2010-95      Issuance of Bond Anticipation Note in the Amount of One Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars (\$153,995.00) with Respect to Capital Improvements by the Township of Eastampton as Authorized by Bond Ordinance No. 2008-12

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Councilman Tafe asked if the Chief Financial Officer could see if the bridge commission could weigh in with an interest rate for refinancing the notes.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by CAMPBELL to approve Resolution R2010-95.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-95 was approved.

Resolution R2010-96                      Issuance of Bond Anticipation Note in the Amount of Sixty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$62,700.00) with Respect to the Purchase of a 13 Yard Trash Compactor by the Township of Eastampton as Authorized by Bond Ordinance No. 2006-08

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by CAMPBELL to approve Resolution R2010-96.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-96 was approved.

Resolution R2010-97                      Transfer of Appropriation Excess to Insufficient Appropriations

Councilman Nagler asked why there was not a transfer from police salaries and wages with the retirements they had. Mr. Nagler asked why \$17,000 was transferred to the employee group insurance fund. Mr. Nagler asked why there was an increase in trash when they are in a contract.

Councilman Tafe asked that when Mr. Carew gets the answers to the questions could he please send to all of council.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by CAMPBELL to approve Resolution R2010-97.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-97 was approved.

Resolution R2010-98                      Authorize Agreement with Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders for Purchase of Recycling Carts

Councilman Nagler asked if they should encumber the money this year.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by CAMPBELL to approve Resolution R2010-98.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-98 was approved.

Resolution R2010-99                      Approval of Agreement to Continue Joint Municipal Tax Assessor  
Services with Maple Shade Township

It was MOVED by CAMPBELL and seconded by TAFE to approve Resolution R2010-99.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2010-99 was approved.

**ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS:**

- Construction
- Court (Westampton)
- Public Works
- Tax Assessor
- Township Clerk

It was MOVED by CAMPBELL and seconded by TAFE to approve the Construction, Court (Westampton), Public Works, Tax Assessor and Township Clerk reports.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, the monthly reports for Construction, Court (Westampton), Public Works, Tax Assessor and Township Clerk was approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilman Nagler asked if it would be wise to stop using Beneficial Bank for township business since they moved out of Eastampton and left the township with no bank.

Township Manager Carew said they moved out of Eastampton due to financial reasons and it was a business decision.

Councilman Tafe said Beneficial Bank has good interest rates.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Deputy Mayor Campbell asked when they would install the motion sensor light outside the Recreation building.

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Deputy Mayor Campbell asked if the bushes along Woodlane Road are compliant with the Township code; it is a safety hazard for children walking.

Councilman Tafe asked what would be done about businesses who have not licensed.

Township Manager Carew said he would get a written response from the Zoning Officer for the November 22 meeting explaining what would be done about the businesses that have not licensed.

Councilman Nagler inquired about the oversized vehicles parked on the streets.

Township Attorney Fahey said they need to make decisions on whether they would allow residents to store their boats on the side of the house.

**STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:**

Township Manager Carew congratulated Rovenna and Ricardo on the election.

Deputy Mayor Campbell said the Zumba dance class started tonight and the attendance was very good.

Deputy Mayor Campbell said the annual tree lighting would be December 3 at 7pm at the Manor House.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by CAMPBELL to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 P.M.

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

There being four (4) ayes and no nays, the motion passed to adjourn the meeting.

KIM-MARIE WHITE  
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Municipal Clerk

JAY SPRINGER  
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Mayor

Approved: November 22, 2010