

**EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**

January 10, 2011

7:30 p.m.

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

Everyone participated in the flag salute.

Mayor Campbell asked for a moment of silence for the people who murdered and injured in Arizona on January 8, 2011.

Mayor Campbell certified that notice of this meeting was published in the Burlington County Times on January 7, 2011. Notice was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and sent to the Courier Post for information. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were satisfied.

Present were: Council Member Louise Campbell, Deputy Mayor Keith Nagler, Council Member Rovenna Overton, Council Member Jay Springer and Council Member Ricardo Rodriguez. Also present were: Township Attorney Eileen Fahey, Municipal Clerk Kim-Marie White and Township Manager Scott Carew.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Geary, 6 Knotty Oak Drive asked if letters of appreciation could be sent to the outgoing members of the Recreation Advisory Board.

Mayor Campbell said she would take care of sending out the letters.

Marge O'Dell, 2 Birch Lane, asked what Resolution R2011-20 is for.

Township Attorney Fahey said it is for an employment matter.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT:

Township Manager Carew said a developer is meeting with the ad-hoc committee this upcoming week about building mixed residential use on the CVS site.

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by OVERTON confirming that the ad-hoc committee could discuss any new development for the Township.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Overton, Rodriguez, Springer, Campbell

Nays - None

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

Township Manager Carew said another snow storm is coming and public works and the police are prepared.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

December 13, 2010

December 13, 2010 Closed Session

December 20, 2010 Special Meeting

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by SPRINGER to approve the December 13, 2010 open and closed minutes and December 20, 2010 special meeting minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Springer, Campbell

Abstain - Overton, Rodriguez

Nays - None

There being three (3) ayes and two (2) abstentions and no nays, the December 13, 2010 open and closed minutes and December 20, 2010 special meeting minutes were approved.

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION:

Ordinance 2011-1

An Ordinance To Amend Chapter 96 of the Eastampton Township Code at Article VIII With Respect to Snow Emergency and Other Emergency Parking Regulations

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by SPRINGER to approve Ordinance 2011-1 and set the public hearing for February 14, 2011.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Overton, Rodriguez, Springer, Campbell

Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Ordinance 2011-1 was approved on introduction.

Mayor Campbell said the publication date on the ordinance would be January 14, 2011.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2011-20

Award of Non Fair and Open Contract for an Investigator with Beyond Consulting NJ

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by RODRIGUEZ that Resolution R2011-20 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Overton, Rodriguez, Springer, Campbell

Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-20 was approved.

Resolution R2011-21

Award of Contract for Professional Services for Township Attorney with Eileen K. Fahey, Esq.

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It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by NAGLER that Resolution R2011-21 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Overton, Rodriguez, Springer, Campbell
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-21 was approved.

Resolution R2011-22 Award of Contract for Professional Services for Township Engineer with Nancy Jamanow from Environmental Resolutions, Inc.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by OVERTON that Resolution R2011-22 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Overton, Rodriguez, Springer, Campbell
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-22 was approved.

Resolution R2011-23 Award of Contract for Professional Services for Township Planner with Barbara Fegley from Environmental Resolutions, Inc.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by OVERTON that Resolution R2011-23 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Overton, Rodriguez, Springer, Campbell
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-23 was approved.

Resolution R2011-24 Award of Contract for Professional Services for Township Auditor with Holman & Frenia

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by SPRINGER that Resolution R2011-24 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Overton, Rodriguez, Springer, Campbell
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-24 was approved.

Resolution R2011-25 Award of Contract for Professional Services for Labor Counsel with Armando Riccio, Esq. from Capehart & Scatchard

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It was MOVED by RODRIGUEZ and seconded by OVERTON that Resolution R2011-25 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Overton, Rodriguez, Springer, Campbell
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-25 was approved.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS:

- Public Works
- Tax Assessor
- Township Clerk
- Westampton Court (November and December)

It was MOVED by OVERTON and seconded by NAGLER to approve the Public Works, Tax Assessor, Township Clerk, and Westampton Court reports.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Overton, Rodriguez, Springer, Campbell
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the monthly reports for Public Works, Tax Assessor, Township Clerk, and Westampton Court reports were approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Campbell said at the reorganizational meeting January 4, 2011 she appointed Patrick Flannery to the Environmental Commission and it should have been Mark Searfoss.

Mayor Campbell indicated that they would not have a quorum for the January 24 Council Meeting due to prior commitments and would need to cancel the meeting.

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by RODRIGUEZ to cancel the Council Meeting on January 24 due to lack of quorum.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Overton, Rodriguez, Springer, Campbell
Nays - None

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

Council all voted in the affirmative to have the Council meeting January 17, 2011.

- Nixle WireWords text messaging service

Deputy Mayor Nagler said they are a company that the Township could use to send out messages to residents mobile phones. There would be a monthly charge based on the amount of texting being sent out. The Township could send out amber alerts, snow emergency and trash or recycling collection day messages. A few of the surrounding towns use them and it is a cost savings on paper.

Township Manager Carew said he would invite them to the February 14 meeting to give a presentation to Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Shared Service Update

Mayor Campbell said she has no update at this time.

Township Manager Carew said he would be having a meeting with Southampton to explore the idea of a trash shared service.

- Codification

Township Attorney Fahey said she sent a memo to Council that would need some decisions for the codification project; the decisions do not need to be made this evening. She said she is working with staff to submit by the February 20 deadline.

- Township Blog/Newsletter

Township Manager Carew said he sent out the draft to the Council Members last week. Once approved it would go up on the website and be sent out electronically.

- Budget Workshop
 - Health Insurance Fund
 - Budget Workshop Schedule

Township Manager Carew said that the Chief Financial Officer would be in attendance at the next Council Meeting, January 17, to go over the proposed 2011 Municipal Budget.

Deputy Mayor Nagler asked for a monthly update for the Council's operating expenses and bond anticipated notes update.

Township Manager Carew said he would get that information and provide to Council.

Township Manager Carew said he received the information he needed to send to the health insurance fund in order to receive the quote.

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Deputy Mayor Nagler asked if they could receive a schedule for the remainder of the town for the recycling containers.

Council Member Springer said they submitted a County Recreation Grant and it is his understanding that the Township needs to obtain permits. He asked if the cost for the design work is reimbursable when they finally do get the grant.

Township Manager Carew said he would follow up with the Township Engineer and get back to them.

Deputy Mayor Nagler asked if the Township Engineer could attend the February 14, 2011 meeting to provide Council with an update on road improvements.

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

Township Manager Carew said he would be having a staff meeting at the end of the week.

Everyone congratulated Louise Campbell on being Mayor for 2011 and wished her a speedy recovery from her surgery.

Deputy Mayor Nagler said if the new council members need to ask any questions to make informed decisions to do so with the staff and the professionals,

Mayor Campbell said it was an honor presiding over the meeting; they covered a lot of information for the first business meeting of the year.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jeff Alexander, 49 Nottingham Way said he was disappointed that after serving twelve years on the Land Use Planning Board he was not reappointed. He thanked them for allowing him to serve and welcomed the two new council members.

Marge O'Dell, 2 Birch Lane asked if anything went into the paper regarding the new Council Members.

Council Member Springer said that there was an article in the paper and online.

John LaPierre, 122 Farmdale Road said the Fire Company has not received the fuel bill from the Township and congratulated the public works department on plowing the roads; but could something be done about piling the snow on the corners of the roads.

Council member Rodriguez asked whose responsibility it is to plow Sharbell.

Township Manager Carew said since the streets are not dedicated they need to call the

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Association.

Mayor Campbell stated that the next meeting is January 17, 2011 @ 7:30 p.m.

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by NAGLER to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Nagler, Overton, Rodriguez, Springer, Campbell

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

Louise Campbell

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Mayor

Approved: February 28, 2011