

EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
January 31, 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 certified that notice of this meeting was published in the Burlington County Times on January 14, 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: Mayor 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:

Walter Tafe, 8 Cypress Drive, said he understands that residents have been warned about throwing snow in the street after a snow storm and feels that violations need to be handed out instead of issuing warnings. He said in a recent newspaper article it mentioned that Eastampton had gang activity and would like more information on that.

Township Manager Carew said he would speak with Acting Chief Chris Muraglia on both issues.

Peter Ulyett, 19 Chelsea Road, said he complained about the snow plowing last year and with the current snow storm the snow was piled very high on the burm intersection and it is impossible to drive through. He asked if anything could be done about it.

Public Works Director Parks said there has been so much snow this winter season and the snow from current storm came down too fast. Mr. Parks said when they have smaller snow storms it is more manageable then the big snow storms. Mr. Parks said he and laborers did the best they could with what they had.

Deputy Mayor Nagler congratulated Public Works for plowing; the streets were passable.

Mayor Campbell said the snow storm came fast and furious and Public Works did what they could with the equipment and man power they have.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT:

Township Manager Carew said the Land Use Planning Board gave approval to Princeton Label Company that is taking over the Gsell site. They should occupy the building by mid July.

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Township Manager Carew said the ad-hoc committee will meet with the new developer for the CVS site who would like to build mixed use commercial.

Township Manager Carew said that the Township received a grant for \$100,000 from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for Monmouth Road sidewalks.

Township Manager Carew said the agreement with Westampton Court automatically renews if the parties do not opt out six months prior to termination. Westampton is looking for additional money due to the increase of ticketing. Mr. Carew is asking the Westampton Township Manager for a breakdown of expenses.

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION:

Ordinance 2011-2 An Ordinance To Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by SPRINGER to approve Ordinance 2011-2 and set the public hearing for February 28, 2011.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Ordinance 2011-2 was approved on introduction.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2011-26 Amendment to Professional Services Contract with David Serlin

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by OVERTON that Resolution R2011-26 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-26 was approved.

Resolution R2011-27 Shared Services Agreement between the Townships of Eastampton and Southampton for Automotive Repair

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by RODRIGUEZ that Resolution R2011-27 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-27 was approved.

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Resolution R2011-28 Performance Bond Reduction for Sharbell Building Company,
LLC

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by OVERTON that Resolution R2011-28 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-28 was approved.

Resolution R2011-29 Defer School Taxes

It was MOVED by OVERTON and seconded by NAGLER that Resolution R2011-29 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-29 was approved.

Resolution R2011-30 Award of Contract for Towing Services

It was MOVED by OVERTON and seconded by SPRINGER that Resolution R2011-30 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-30 was approved.

Resolution R2011-31 Issuance of Bond Anticipation Note in The Amount of Two
Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) with
Respect to the Purchase of Land for Municipal Use by the
Township of Eastampton as Authorized by Bond Ordinance No.
2002-14

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by OVERTON that Resolution R2011-31 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-31 was approved.

Resolution R2011-32 Issuance of Bond Anticipation Note in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Four Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Four dollars (\$254,694.00) with Respect to Capital Improvements by the Township of Eastampton as authorized by Bond Ordinance No. 2006-06.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by SPRINGER that Resolution R2011-32 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-32 was approved.

Resolution R2011-33 Issuance of Bond Anticipation Note in the Amount of Fifty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$52,250.00) 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 RODRIGUEZ that Resolution R2011-33 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-33 was approved.

Resolution R2011-34 Issuance of Bond Anticipation Note in the Amount of One Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$134,745.00) with Respect to Capital Improvements by the Township of Eastampton as Authorized by Bond Ordinance No. 2008-12

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by OVERTON that Resolution R2011-34 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-34 was approved.

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Resolution R2011-35 Issuance of Bond Anticipation Note in the Amount of Two Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$263,150.00) with Respect to the Purchase of Road Improvements, the Purchase of a Dump Truck, Computers, Office Equipment, and Maintenance Repairs by the Township of Eastampton as Authorized by Bond Ordinance No. 2010-15

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by OVERTON that Resolution R2011-35 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-35 was approved.

Resolution R2011-36 Issuance of Special Emergency Note in the Amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) with Respect to Financing the Cost of the Revision and Codification of Various Township Ordinances by the Township of Eastampton as Authorized by Bond Ordinance No. 2008-11

It was MOVED by OVERTON and seconded by NAGLER that Resolution R2011-36 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-36 was approved.

Resolution R2011-37 Re-Appointing Fund Commissioner and Alternate Fund Commissioner for the Garden State Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by OVERTON that Resolution R2011-37 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-37 was approved.

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Resolution R2011-38 Transfer of Appropriation Reserves to Insufficient Appropriation Reserves

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by RODRIGUEZ that Resolution R2011-38 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-38 was approved.

Resolution R2011-39 Endorsing Review and Reform of Municipal Aide Process

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by RODRIGUEZ that Resolution R2011-39 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-39 was approved.

Resolution R2011-40 Authorize Executive Session Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 Matters relating to Litigation, Negotiation, Attorney-Client Privilege regarding Administrative procedures and confidentiality requirements

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by SPRINGER that Resolution R2011-40 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2011-40 was approved.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS:

- Construction Office
- Police (November & December)
- Tax Collector

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by OVERTON to approve the Construction Office, Police (November and December), and Tax Collector reports.

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

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There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the monthly reports for Construction Office, Police (November and December), and Tax Collector were approved.

- Treasurer

Council Member Nagler asked Chief Financial Officer Mingin the process for encumbering professional bills at the end of the year.

Chief Financial Officer explained the process and discussed how to try and implement change for 2011.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by RODRIGUEZ to approve the Treasurer report.

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

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by RODRIGUEZ that the January 27, 2011 bill list be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the bills dated January 27, 2011 was approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Campbell appointed James Shemely to the Land Use Planning Board as a Class IV for a term expiring December 31, 2014.

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by OVERTON to appoint Leon Jones to the Land Use Planning Board as an Alternate I for a term expiring December 31, 2012.

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

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

- Zoning Ordinances

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Township Attorney Fahey said drafts of the zoning ordinances have been sent to the Council Members. The Land Use Planning Board has already approved them with the exception of drive through restaurants. They would be listed as introduction on the next meeting agenda.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by RODRIGUEZ to remove drive through restaurants from the zoning ordinance as recommended by the Land Use Planning Board.

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

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

- Request for Proposal for Bond Counsel

Township Manager Carew said there is a need for a bond counsel and would like to go to RFP to receive proposals.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by SPRINGER to go out for a RFP for bond counsel.

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

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

OLD BUSINESS:

- Shared Service Update

Mayor Campbell said a February 3rd meeting is scheduled and Council Member Jay Springer would attend on her behalf.

- Codification

Township Attorney Fahey said the codification is almost complete. She discussed some of the changes with them.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by SPRINGER to allow the Township Attorney to move forward with the proposed changes to the codification with the exception of making an appeal to the Council from the Land Use Planning Board.

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

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

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Township Manager Carew said he would like to go to a meeting the County is having for the Reverse 911 System and then he could compare the two.

- Budget Workshop
 - Health Insurance Fund
 - Budget Workshop Schedule

Township Manager Carew and Chief Financial Officer Mingin gave a brief overview of the preparation of the 2011 budget and where they are with the budget. They are still awaiting some figures from the State.

Deputy Mayor Nagler asked what the savings would be if they did a shared service with another township for trash pickup or brought trash pickup in house.

Township Manager Carew said he would look into that and send them some figures.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by SPRINGER to go out for a RFP for bond counsel.

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

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

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

Township Manager Carew thanked Gerry Mingin and Rich Parks for coming to the meeting. He also thanked the public works for doing such a great job during the snow storms.

Municipal Clerk White said the clean up in the basement is complete and they were able to destroy over three hundred boxes of records dating back to 1962.

All Council Members thanked public works for plowing the streets during the snow storm; they did a wonderful job.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Walter Tafe, 8 Cypress Drive, asked if the pension deferral would be paid back in five years.

Chief Financial Officer Mingin said the pension deferral begins in 2012.

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It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by CAMPBELL to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:30 p.m. and go into closed session.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the motion passed to adjourn the regular meeting and proceed into closed session. Township Council came back into open session to adjourn the meeting.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by OVERTON to adjourn meeting at 10:45 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

Kim-Marie White
Municipal Clerk

Louise Campbell

Louise Campbell
Mayor

Approved: March 28, 2011