

EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

March 28, 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 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: 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: None

PRESENTATION: Nixle

Township Manager Carew said Nixle could not make the meeting so he would reschedule with them.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT:

Township Manager Carew said he updated the electronic newsletter and would send it out.

Township Manager Carew said the ad-hoc committee is meeting with the Burlington County Office of Economic Development Committee on March 29 to review the conceptual plan for the Gregory's site.

Township Manager Carew said the Southampton Township Committee declined to continue discussions about a shared service for trash pickup. Their administrator specifically wrote to me and said, "The Committee said no; they all have a reasonable concern that stretching our public works crew will denigrate services." As a result, he directed Rich Parks to begin the process of putting all of the pieces in place to bring this service in-house at the end of our current contract. The cost savings for this year is estimated to be at least as great as it would have been under a shared service with Southampton. He said the job listings for a full time laborer and a part-time laborer have already been placed on the township website.

Township Manager Carew said he is also meeting with Waste Management on March 30 to see if they are willing to substantially reduce their costs.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

January 31, 2011

January 31, 2011 Closed Session

February 14, 2011

February 28, 2011

February 28, 2011 Closed Session

It was MOVED by OVERTON and seconded by RODRIGUEZ to approve the January 31, 2011 regular and closed session, February 14, 2011, February 28, 2011 regular and closed session minutes.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the January 31, 2011 regular and closed session, February 14, 2011, February 28, 2011 regular and closed session minutes were approved.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2011-49

Submitting an Application to the Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders for Municipal Parks Development Grant Funding for Trail Improvements to the Buttonwood Nature Preserve

Deputy Nagler said on page two of the grant application it asked if the township received a grant the previous year and the answer should have been no instead of yes. He said he feels extremely uncomfortable with the agreement because there are no checks and balances. He asked for next eight months to see a copy of MACCS invoices.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by SPRINGER to approve Resolution 2011-49 as corrected.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution 2011-49 was adopted as corrected

Resolution R2011-50

Transfer of Appropriation Reserves to Insufficient Appropriation Reserves

Deputy Nagler would like to ensure that the MACCS line item is properly funded. He asked what date they took on the condominiums.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by SPRINGER to approve Resolution 2011-50.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution 2011-50 was adopted.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS: None

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Deputy Nagler asked why this is the first bill for animal control services they have seen. He said the funds should be encumbered prior to make sure the funds are available.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by OVERTON that the March 24, 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 March 24, 2011 was approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Deputy Nagler asked if the fuel bill could be mailed to the Fire Commissioners.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Shared Service Update

Mayor Campbell said there is no update at this time.

Deputy Mayor Nagler said Volunteer Appreciation Night is April 13, 2011 at the Eastampton Community School at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Campbell said the Recreation Committee is doing a walkthrough of the parks to see the condition so they could make some plans.

Councilman Springer said on April 10 at noon the Environmental Commission would be doing a cleanup at Buttonwood Park.

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS: None

Deputy Mayor Nagler said that Nancy Parks did a great job painting the Carriage Park sign.

Deputy Mayor Nagler said he wanted to recognize Cub Scout Pack 30 for clean-up on Woodlane Road.

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

Leon Jones, 4 Worchester Drive, thanked the Public Works Department for cutting down the dead trees in buttonwood park. He also asked why the flags are on everyone's lawn.

Township Manager Carew said he believes PSE&G needs to move some of the boxes that were placed improperly by them.

Mayor Campbell said the next meeting will be Monday, April 11 at 7:30 p.m.

It was MOVED by OVERTON and seconded by RODRIGUEZ to adjourn meeting at 8:45 P.M.

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

Kim-Marie White

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Municipal Clerk

Louise Campbell

Louise Campbell
Mayor

Approved: April 11, 2011