

EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

April 22, 2013

7:30 p.m.

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

Township Clerk Kim-Marie White certified that notice of this meeting was published in the Burlington County Times on January 9, 2013. 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.

Everyone participated in the flag salute.

Present were: Mayor Rovenna Overton, Deputy Mayor Ricardo Rodriguez, Council Member Robert Apgar, Council Member Jay Springer, and Council Member Anthony Zeno. Also present were: Township Attorney Eileen Fahey, Municipal Clerk Kim-Marie White and Township Manager Tom Czerniecki.

PRESENTATION: Energy Aggregation by Andrew Pagenkopf and John Fish

Andrew Pagenkopf and John Fish presented a power point presentation to the Township Council on energy aggregation. They highlighted the program focusing on how to save the township money with gas and electric.

PROCLAMATION: Arbor Day -- April 26, 2013

Mayor Overton said she would be presenting a proclamation to the school for Arbor Day.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tom Sweeney, 113 Star Drive asked if the Township buildings could take advantage of the energy savings.

Andrew Pagenkopf and John Fish said the energy savings would be for the residents.

MINUTES:

January 28, 2013

February 11, 2013

February 11, 2013 Closed Session

It was MOVED by RODRIGUEZ and seconded by SPRINGER to approve the minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Apgar, Rodriguez, Springer, Zeno, Overton

Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the minutes were approved.

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2013-55 Introduction of 2013 Municipal Budget

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by ZENO to approve Resolution R2013-55.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Apgar, Rodriguez, Springer, Zeno, Overton
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the Resolution was approved.

Mayor Overton said the public hearing on the budget would be May 28th at 7:45 pm

CONSENT AGENDA:

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2013-56 Award of Contract to Professional Property Appraisers (PPA) for Township Wide Revaluation

Resolution R2013-57 Authorize Engineering Services for Gloucester Court and Buckingham Drive for Road Improvements

Resolution R2013-58 Temporary Street Closure for Friends Academy of Westampton 5K Event on May 18

It was MOVED by RODRIGUEZ and seconded by APGAR to approve Resolution R2013-56 to Resolution R2013-58.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Apgar, Rodriguez, Springer, Zeno, Overton
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the Resolutions were approved.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS:

- Construction
- Court
- Engineer
- Escrow
- Police (February)
- Public Works
- Tax Assessor
- Tax Collector
- Township Clerk
- Treasurer

It was MOVED by ZENO and seconded by APGAR to approve the reports.

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ROLL CALL: Ayes - Apgar, Rodriguez, Springer, Zeno, Overton
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the reports were approved.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was MOVED by RODRIGUEZ and seconded by SPRINGER to approve the bills.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Apgar, Rodriguez, Springer, Zeno, Overton
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the bills were approved for payment.

NEW BUSINESS:

Township Manager Czerniecki and the Township Council discussed having events in the park for private parties and what would be needed of a resident making such a request. The Township Council discussed the liability to the township as well as no alcohol being permitted in the parks and they would like to see a petition signed by neighbors acknowledging that an event would be taking place. They also discussed the possibility of approving the request by Resolution. Mr. Czerniecki said he needs to look into a few more items and speak with the Chief of Police but would remain in contact with the resident who needs the request.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Trash collection schedule

Township Manager Czerniecki said that Public Works Director Parks is working on a holiday comparison schedule to see how many days would be affected with the trash schedule change.

- Volunteer Appreciation Night (April 18, 2013)

Township Clerk White said that everything is in place for the Volunteer Appreciation Night.

- Meet and Greet with Township Council at Buttonwood Park

Township Clerk White and Township Manager Czerniecki discussed the possibility of a Meet and Greet with the Township residents and Council. The residents would be able to come out and ask questions and meet the new Council Members.

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

Township Clerk White reminded everyone that the financial disclosure statements need to be done online and are due by May 31st.

Mayor Overton thanked everyone for coming out for Volunteer Appreciation Night.

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Council Member Apgar reported that 30-40 people came out for the rain garden event on April 14th and it went very well.

The Township Council thanked Mr. Czerniecki for a very thought out budget that is fiscally responsible.

Council Member Springer said over the weekend he saw an entire family riding their bikes on the new pathway and said it was nice to see that.

Deputy Mayor Rodriguez said the Memorial Day Celebration would be on May 25th at 10 am outside the Manor House.

Council Member Zeno thanked Township Clerk White for all of her help with Recreation.

Council Member Zeno said the roller skating party would be June 20th at Holiday Skate Center.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

It was MOVED by APGAR and seconded by SPRINGER to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

VOICE VOTE: Ayes: Apgar, Rodriguez, Springer, Zeno and Overton

Nays: None

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

Kim-Marie White

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Municipal Clerk

Rovenna D. Overton

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Mayor

Approved: May 28, 2013