

EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

Tuesday, June 10, 2013

7:00 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.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

(Estimated start time will be 7:30 pm)

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Executive Session

Resolution R2013-64

Authorizing Executive Session (Matters relating to the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property: regarding potential relocation of certain municipal services and matters regarding personnel: with respect to compensation of non-collective bargaining unit employees)

It was MOVED by APGAR and seconded by ZENO to approve Resolution R2013-64.

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

Nays - None

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

MINUTES:

May 28, 2013

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

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

Nays - None

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

ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING:

Ordinance No. 2013-8 Ordinance Amending Chapter 167 of the Township Code Entitled
“Brush, Grass, Weeds and Trash”

Mayor Overton opened the public hearing. There being no comment from the floor the public comment was closed.

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by ZENO to approve Ordinance 2013-8.

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

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

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2013-55 Adoption of 2013 Municipal Budget
Public Hearing on Budget Continued

Mayor Overton opened the public hearing. There being no comment from the floor the public comment was closed.

It was MOVED by RODRIGUEZ and seconded by APGAR to adopt the 2013 Municipal Budget.

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

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution R2013-65 Renewal of Liquor License for Mari’s Liquor Store

Resolution R2013-66 Renewal of Liquor License for Russo’s Pub

Resolution R2013-67 Renewal of Liquor License for John & Molly’s

Resolution R2013-68 Approval of Temporary Street Closure for Block Party
(Cambridge Court)

Resolution R2013-69 Approval of Temporary Street Closure for Block Party
(Dawn Drive)

It was MOVED by APGAR and seconded by RODRIGUEZ to approve Resolution R2013-65 to Resolution R2013-69.

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

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

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS:

- Public Works
- Tax Collector
- Township Clerk
- Township Engineer
- Treasurer

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

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 APGAR 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.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

- 2013 Burlington County Parks Grant for Smithville Road and Monmouth Road

Township Manager Czerniecki asked Council if they would be interested in applying for a grant from the County to construct a park to include baseball fields, football fields, tennis courts and a dog park. He said to complete the entire park could take ten to fifteen years.

It was unanimous for Mr. Czerniecki to move forward with the grant application.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Overton appointed the following:

- Recreation Committee Member – unexpired term 12/31/13 – Dawn Sheaf
- Recreation Committee Member – unexpired term 12/31/15 – Jolyn Czerniecki
- Recreation Committee Member – unexpired term 12/31/15 – Christine Idland

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Township Manager Czerniecki said he is putting together a RFP for the farm lease because he has had some inquiries. He would be asking for a price per acre to farm the area.

OLD BUSINESS:

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by RODRIGUEZ to approved two percent raises for non-union employees for 2013.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the non-union employees will receive two percent raises.

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

Township Attorney Fahey said that the Tax Assessor was able to settle a lot of tax appeals. She said that the revaluation is moving forward.

Council Member Springer said he would be missing the June 24 Council Meeting due to a family vacation.

Township Manager Czerniecki said that there has been some resident concern over Mount Holly MUA finances. He said he would be speaking with the director to find out what the issue could be.

Deputy Mayor Rodriguez said the farewell gathering for Louise and Allan was very nice.

Mayor Overton said she really likes the new signs that Sherwood Village and the Mews installed. She said they are very classy.

Mayor Overton thanked everyone for their help with the farewell get together for Louise and Allan.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tom Sweeney, 113 Star Drive asked how the Township comes up with the tax rate.

Township Attorney Fahey explained how the process works.

It was MOVED by APGAR and seconded by ZENO to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 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.

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Kim-Marie White
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Municipal Clerk

Rovenna D. Overton
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Mayor

Approved: June 24, 2013