

EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

October 11, 2016

7:30 pm Regular session

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

Everyone participated in the flag salute.

Notice of this meeting was published in the Burlington County Times on January 8, 2016. Notice was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and sent to the Courier Post for information.

Present were: Council Member Robert Apgar, Council Member Matthew Edson, Council Member Jay Springer, Council Member John Adams and Council Member Anthony Zeno. Also present were: Township Attorney Kevin Riordan, Municipal Clerk Kim-Marie White and Township Manager Eric Schubiger.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bryan Smith, 2 East Mill Creek Road, said that 4 East Mill Creek Road was up for sale again and he was concerned because the home is not habitable and the property is deteriorated.

Ed Grossmick, 6 East Mill Creek Road, feels that after the complaint was filed with the Township regarding graffiti on the home, nothing was done. He asked if Burlington County would be interested in the property.

Township Attorney Riordan, advised that the Police were involved when the Township was notified of the graffiti; however Council is limited by the law with how involved they could be.

Councilman Edson stated he knows how frustrated they are but Council can't do things outside the law and he understands that it is hard to accept.

Mayor Apgar asked Township Manager Schubiger to contact the County to see if they were interested.

Resolution R2016-111 Authorize Engineering Services for Emergency On-Call Contractor Services for Years 2017-2020

It was MOVED by ZENO and seconded by EDSON that Resolution R2016-111 be approved.

Councilman Adams stated it was a high quote for re-bidding and revising a set of bid documents. He stated that if they are paid \$4,500 he would not be happy.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Adams, Edson, Springer, Zeno, Apgar
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2016-111 was approved.

Resolution R2016-112 Authorizing the Joint Municipal Tax Assessor to Perform Various Duties Associated with her Position

It was MOVED by EDSON and seconded by ADAMS that Resolution R2016-112 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Adams, Edson, Springer, Zeno, Apgar
Nays - None

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There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2016-112 was approved.

Resolution R2016-113 Authorizing Advance Payment to Employees for Travel
on Official Business, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-16.1

It was MOVED by ADAMS and seconded by EDSON that Resolution R2016-113 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Adams, Edson, Springer, Zeno, Apgar
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2016-113 was approved.

MINUTES:

- September 26, 2016
- September 26, 2016 Closed Session

It was MOVED by ADAMS and seconded by SPRINGER that the September 26, 2016 Regular and Closed Session minutes be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Adams, Edson, Springer, Zeno, Apgar
Nays - None

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

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS:

- Construction
- Engineer
- Police
- Public Works
- Tax Assessor
- Tax Collector
- Township Clerk
- Treasurer

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by APGAR that the reports be accepted.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Adams, Edson, Springer, Zeno, Apgar
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the Construction, Police, Tax Collector and Treasurer reports were approved.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Adams, Edson, Springer, Zeno, Apgar
Nays - None

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

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Adams said the Star Wars Movie is on Friday, October 14 inside the school; trunk or treat is Friday, October 21 from 6 to 7pm and the hayride/bonfire is Friday October 21 from 7-10pm.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Township Manager Schubiger thanked the department heads for providing monthly reports which are helpful to him as well as the Governing Body and it's appreciated. He said October is a busy month for the Recreation Advisory Board with the events they have. The skating event was very well attended with 165 skaters. He acknowledged that that our police department are a big part of the community and thanked them for all they do.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Fire Department
 - a. Vehicles
 - b. Facilities/Buildings

The Fire Department, Township Council and Police had a lengthy discussion regarding the Township owned suburban that the Fire Department would like to acquire because they are down a commander vehicle. They discussed the possible use of building 349 on Woodlane Road while the police building is having renovations completed and while the bridge is under construction. Both parties were in agreement to help each other.

Mayor Apgar asked Township Manager Schubiger to coordinate some additional meetings with the fire department based on the needs of the PD and Fire Department.

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

Councilman Adams thanked the Fire Department for all that they do.

Deputy Mayor Zeno thanked the police and the fire department and said they have a much better working relationship and it's nice to see.

Mayor Apgar said he appreciates the taxing entities working together.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John La Pierre, 122 Farmdale Road, said that RV has a beautiful building on Smithville Road and the back portion is unoccupied and the police could potentially use that if needed.

ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED by EDSON and seconded by SPRINGER to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Adams, Edson, Springer, Zeno, Apgar
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

Robert Apgar

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Mayor

Approved: October 24, 2016