

**EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**

March 28, 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 John Adams, Council Member Robert Apgar, Council Member Matthew Edson, Council Member Jay Springer, and Council Member Anthony Zeno. Also present were: Township Attorney Kevin Riordan, Municipal Clerk Kim-Marie White and Township Manager Eric Schubiger.

PRESENTATION: Stacia Scaduto – Burlington County Energy Aggregation Program

Stacia Scaduto gave a presentation to the public and Township Council how the Burlington County Energy Aggregation Program would work.

Mayor Apgar and Township Council thanked her for the presentation and further advised that the Township Council does not have enough time to make a decision due to the timeline of adopting an ordinance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Geary, 6 Knotty Oak Drive, expressed concern over the speeding on Student Drive.

Township Manager Schubiger said once the issue was brought to his attention he spoke to the Township Engineer and the Chief of Police and an ordinance was adopted to make Student Drive 25 m.p.h at all times. He said that the Engineer would be making modifications to the markings on the pavement and installing new signage. He said as soon as the weather breaks the new markings and signage would be installed.

Councilman Edson said he understands his concern but would like to go with the recommendations of the Township Engineer first to see if the speeding calms down after the pavement markings and sign are installed.

ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING:

Ordinance 2016-4

An Ordinance of the Township of Eastampton to Amend the Township Code at Section 540-19 –“Zoning” In Particular, the Provisions of Section 540-19.1 Planned Retirement Community (R-PRC) Residential District

Mayor Apgar opened the floor for public comment.

John LaPierre, 122 Farmdale Road said as a Rancocas Valley School Board Member and a resident he is in favor of the ordinance.

Mayor Apgar said there being no further comments he closed the floor to public comment.

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

There being four (4) ayes and one (1) nay, Ordinance 2016-4 was approved.

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION:

Ordinance 2016-5 An Ordinance of the Township of Eastampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey Adopting the March 2016 Revision to the November 2011 Redevelopment Plan for Eastampton Town Center Phase Two Prepared by the Burlington County Bridge Commission Department of Economic Development and Regional Planning

It was MOVED by ZENO and seconded by SPRINGER that Ordinance 2016-5 be approved on introduction and set public hearing for April 25, 2016.

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

There being five (5) ayes and one (1) nay, Ordinance 2016-5 was approved on introduction.

Mayor Apgar said the Ordinance would be sent to the Land Use Planning Board for their recommendation at their April 20 meeting.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2016-47 Introduction of 2016 Municipal Budget

Public Hearing is scheduled for Monday, April 25, 2016

Mayor Apgar said there is no reduction in services and the tax rate remains stable. He also said that the Township received an \$115,000 grant from Burlington County towards Municipal Park Development. He further said that a Chapter 159 would be on the April 25th agenda accepting the grant money.

It was MOVED by EDSON and seconded by SPRINGER that Resolution R2016-47 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2016-47 was approved.

Resolution R2016-48 Supporting Assembly Bill A-4763/Senate Bill S-2973
Electronic Waste Management Act (E-Waste Law)

It was MOVED by ADAMS and seconded by SPRINGER that Resolution R2016-48 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2016-48 was approved.

Resolution R2016-49 Adopting a Fee Schedule for Use of Athletic Fields

It was MOVED by ZENO and seconded by SPRINGER that Resolution R2016-49 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2016-49 was approved.

MINUTES:

- February 22, 2016
- February 22, 2016 Closed Session
- March 14, 2016
- March 14, 2016 Closed Session

It was MOVED by ADAMS and seconded by SPRINGER that the 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:

- Court
- Township Clerk
- Engineer

It was MOVED by EDSON and seconded by ZENO that the reports be accepted.

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

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was MOVED by EDSON 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 Springer said the PARCC testing starts April 4th for the students. He said the community basketball would be on April 29th. He said that the school board budget would be increased and the overall average would be 4.8 percent. He said that the health insurance is going up by \$150,000.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Township Manager Schubiger said he would be meeting with the Township Engineer and discussing the new grant from Burlington County for Municipal Park Services so they can prioritize the project.

Township Manager Schubiger said that there was a preconstruction meeting with Holgate and demo on the house and site clearing will begin.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Burlington County Energy Aggregation Program

This was discussed in the beginning of the meeting.

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

Councilman Adams said on the Township Engineer's report she listed Hollyville Park drainage issues and said if they are inexpensive changes could they see how much it would be to correct the issues.

Township Manager Schubiger said that they have Pioneer for on call contracting and he would speak with the Township Engineer and get a proposal.

Councilman Adams said thanked the Burlington County Freeholders for the \$115,000 grant for the Municipal Park Improvements. He also said that the Township Manager and Township Engineer have made great progress in a year on outstanding issues related to Township improvements/repairs.

Mayor Apgar thanked Burlington County for awarding \$115,000 to them for park improvements. He thanked the Township Manager for a good budget. He's excited that development is moving forward and the house is going to be demolished. He said he moved here for the open space and the small town character.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Resolution R2016-50

Authorizing Executive Session (Matters Relating to Negotiation and the Attorney – Client Privilege with Respect to Redevelopment Agreement for Block 900.01, Lot(s) 12.01, 12.05, 12.06 and Block 300, Lot 13)

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It was MOVED by ZENO and seconded by SPRINGER that Resolution R2016-50 be approved.

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

Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2016-46 was approved.

The Mayor and Council Members entered closed session at 8:54 p.m.

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by EDSON to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 p.m.

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

Nays - None

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

Kim-Marie White

Robert Apgar

Kim-Marie White
Municipal Clerk

Robert Apgar
Mayor

Approved: April 11, 2016