

**EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**

April 25, 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, CFO Gerald Mingin, Deputy Municipal Clerk Kijona Thompson, Township Manager Eric Schubiger, County Planner Mark Remsa. Municipal Clerk White was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING:

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

The County Planner Mr. Remsa explained that the original Ordinance of 2011 is being amended. He said that the building concepts developed back in 2011 are not reflective of today's market.

Mayor Apgar opened the floor for public comment.

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

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by ZENO that Ordinance 2016-5 be approved

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Ordinance 2016-5 was approved.

ORDINANCE – INTRODUCTION:

Ordinance 2016-6 An Ordinance to Amend Township Code Section 540-98 Regarding Redevelopment Criteria for Transect District (T1) Village Core

Mr. Remsa explained the need for this Ordinance was based on the reevaluation of today's market.

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by ZENO that Ordinance 2016-6 be approved on introduction and set public hearing for May 23, 2016.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Ordinance 2016-6 was approved on introduction.

Mayor Apgar said the Ordinance would be sent to the Land Use Planning Board for their recommendation at their May 18th meeting.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2016-55 Authorize Reading Budget by Title Only

It was MOVED by EDSON and seconded by SPRINGER that Resolution R2016-55 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2016-55 was approved.

Mayor Apgar opened the floor for public comment on the 2016 Municipal Budget. There were no comments so the floor was closed.

Township Manager Schubiger gave a PowerPoint presentation of the budget noting that the Municipal Tax rate component had no increase for the 3rd consecutive year.

Resolution R2016-47 Adoption of 2016 Municipal Budget

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 R2016-56 Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (Chapter 159-Burlington County Municipal Park Grant)

It was MOVED by ZENO and seconded by ADAMS that Resolution R2016-56 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2016-56 was approved.

Resolution R2016-57 Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (Chapter 159-Safe Streets to Transit)

It was MOVED by ZENO and seconded by ADAMS that Resolution R2016-57 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 R2016-57 was approved.

Resolution R2016-58 Approval of Fieldstone Concept Plan of Eastampton Place West

It was MOVED by ZENO and seconded by SPRINGER that Resolution R2016-58 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2016-58 was approved.

Resolution R2016-59 Authorizing Agreement with Investors Bank

It was MOVED by ADAMS and seconded by SPRINGER that Resolution R2016-59 be approved.

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

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2016-59 was approved.

MINUTES:

- April 11, 2016

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:

- Police
- Township Clerk

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

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

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

There was some discussion in regards to several bills on the list, Mr. Schubiger indicated that he would research the bills in question and report back to Council.

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It was MOVED by ADAMS and seconded by EDSON to approve the bills with the exception of Broadview and Galls bill pending additional explanation.

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

Nays – None

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

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Environmental Committee- A successful Earth day celebration was held Friday April 22nd. A tree was planting in honor of retiring School Superintendent Dr. Krastek.

Fire Commission-Meetings has been moved to the fourth Thursdays of the month. It was noted that they're looking to replace a fire vehicle due to an accident. Department is interested in reviewing EMT contract with Westampton Township.

Economic Development- Reviewed concept plan for Eastampton West.

Land Use Planning Board- Reviewed concept plan for Gregory site.

School Board- Budget meeting scheduled for April 23, 2016.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Mr. Schubiger thanked the Staff and Governing Body for supporting the Budget.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- 1) New Jersey Division of Travel and Tourism Cooperative Marketing Grant Program- Mr. Schubiger suggested that the Township in collaboration consider applying for this grant. He stated that a Declaration of Intent to apply must be submitted by May 11, 2016.
- 2) Township Motto- After a discussion, Mr. Schubiger was asked to go back and try to condense Motto into 2-3 themes that are indicative of what Eastampton is known for (ie. Smithville Park, Rancocas Lake, etc).

STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED by SPRINGER and seconded by ADAMS to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 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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Mayor

Approved: May 9, 2016