

EASTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION AGENDA
Monday, August 11, 2008
7:30 p.m.

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

Mayor Renzulli certified that the meeting was noticed in the Annual Meeting Notice. Notice was published in the Burlington County Times, sent to the Courier Post, filed with the Municipal Clerk and posted in the Eastampton Township Municipal Building, all on January 9, 2008. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were satisfied.

Everyone participated in the flag salute.

Present were: Mayor Richard Renzulli, Deputy Mayor Donald Hartman, Council Members Keith Nagler, Joseph Maroccia and Walter Tafe. Also present were: Township Attorney Eileen Fahey, Municipal Clerk Kim-Marie White and Township Manager Scott Carew.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Anneliese Lopez, 3 Lakeview Terrace, said a home at 1 Juniper Court has junkyard items on the property and it does not look very nice. She asked if speed bumps could be installed in Lakeview Terrace to ensure children can play safely because the cars are driving 40-45 miles per hour down the street.

Peter Ulyett, 19 Chelsea Road, said at the last meeting that Erickson was not targeting Eastampton as a potential business anymore and would like to know why.

Township Manager Carew said that Erickson stopped all new construction throughout the country due to the housing market.

Mr. Uylett asked if the threat of litigation by Eastampton, LLC regarding plan the land is being resolved.

Township Attorney Fahey addressed Mr. Uylett's concerns indicating that it has not yet been resolved, and negotiations are still in process.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT:

Township Manager Carew said the garage door at the recreation building is being repaired as noted on the checklist. The construction official will grant a certificate of occupancy as long as they do not use that room. Grass Masters provided a quote for landscaping around the recreation building.

Scott Carew thanked the staff for helping to submit all the material for the PARIS grant which would allow the Township funds to help the cleanup process of the records.

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Scott Carew had a meeting with Urban Engineers regarding the pedestrian/bicycle safety study for students walking to school. Urban Engineers also commented on the crosswalk near Pepe's that Councilman Nagler asked be looked into at the last Council meeting.

Scott Carew authorized the Township Attorney to enter into a lawsuit to fight the new COAH regulations; it cost the Township \$500.00.

Scott Carew spoke to Southampton and Springfield Administrators to see if there is a way to provide them with a less expensive option to the new State Police bills they received last week. He received a letter from Pemberton Township asking if Eastampton would like to participate in shared services for fire services. Scott Carew had indicated to them that it was not within his jurisdiction being we have a fire district. Scott Carew talked to Maple Shade regarding a shared service for Community Development and they are not interested as there would be no cost savings for them.

Scott Carew said that the office of emergency management completed a full review of our new emergency management plan.

Scott Carew met with the County, Southampton and Pemberton Township regarding the new State regulations that would require counties or municipalities to adopt a septic system management plan. The law does not state who has to comply with the administration of the plan.

Scott Carew spoke to Bob Krastek this morning asking for Eastampton students to participate in a contest to rename Indian Way since they are not the Indians anymore; they are the Golden Knights. It would meet the 9-1-1 requirements and not named after a living person. Council was in full support of the contest.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

April 28, 2008

April 28, 2008 (Closed Session)

May 12, 2008 (Closed Session)

June 24, 2008 (Special Meeting)

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by TAFE that the April 28, 2008 regular and closed session minutes, May 12, 2008 closed session minutes and June 24, 2008 special meeting minutes are approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli

Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the April 28, 2008 regular and closed session minutes, May 12, 2008 closed session minutes and June 24, 2008 special meeting minutes were adopted.

ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance No. 2008-7

An Ordinance of the Township of Eastampton Amending Chapter 96 “Vehicles and Traffic” of the General Code Township of Eastampton by Amending the Parking Regulations within the Eastampton Mews Development

Mayor Renzulli opened the public hearing. There being no comments the public hearing was closed.

It was MOVED by HARTMAN and seconded by MAROCCIA that Ordinance 2008-7 be adopted.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Ordinance 2008-7 was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution R2008-70

Amendment Number 2 of the 2008 Municipal Budget
Public Hearing on Amendment

Township Attorney Fahey advised the Council that they need to rescind the amendment number two because the State will not approve it, and they did a new amendment which is number three.

Mayor Renzulli said the reason they are doing the other amendment is because they knew the tax rate but not the exact dollars that were associated with the rate, and the Division of Community Affairs said the rate was not acceptable and they would like it re-done with the dollar conversion.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by TAFE that Resolution R2008-70 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2008-70 was approved.

Resolution R2008-82

Amendment Number 3 of the 2008 Municipal Budget

Municipal Clerk White read the 2008 Budget Amendment Number 3 in its entirety.

Mayor Renzulli said the public hearing on Amendment Number 3 would be scheduled for September 8, 2008.

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It was MOVED by HARTMAN and seconded by TAFE that Resolution R2008-82 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2008-82 was approved.

Resolution R2008-66 Approval of 2008 Municipal Budget
(tabled from June 9, 2008 and July 14, 2008)

Mayor Renzulli said this would be tabled again.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by MAROCCIA that Resolution R2008-66 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2008-66 was approved.

Resolution R2008-77 Preliminary Approval of County for Acquisition of Block 100,
Lot 1 in the Township of Eastampton and Commitment of
Municipal Cost Share Funds

It was MOVED by HARTMAN and seconded by NAGLER that Resolution R2008-77 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2008-77 was approved.

Resolution R2008-78 Approval of Request of Sharbell Development Corporation to
Reduce the Amount of the Performance Guarantee for the
Eastampton Village Site Improvements Project

It was MOVED by HARTMAN and seconded by MAROCCIA that Resolution R2008-78 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2008-78 was approved.

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Resolution R2008-79 Approval of Municipal Drug Alliance Grant Application

It was MOVED by TAFE and seconded by MAROCCIA that Resolution R2008-79 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
 Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2008-79 was approved.

Resolution R2008-80 Authorize Public Auction of Abandoned Vehicles

It was MOVED by TAFE and seconded by MAROCCIA that Resolution R2008-80 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
 Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2008-80 was approved.

Resolution R2008-81 Closed Session (Contract Negotiations; Litigation)

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by HARTMAN that Resolution R2008-81 be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
 Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, Resolution R2008-81 was approved.

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS:

Motion to accept the following reports for July:

- Clerk
- Construction (June & July)
- Court (June)
- Public Works (July)
- Tax Assessor (July)
- Tax Collector (June & July)

It was MOVED by HARTMAN and seconded by MAROCCIA to approve the July reports for Clerk, Construction (June and July), Court, Police, Public Works and Tax Assessor.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
 Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the July reports for Clerk, Construction (June and July), Court, Police, Public Works and Tax Assessor were approved.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was MOVED by HARTMAN and seconded by TAFE that the August 7, 2008 bill list be approved.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the bills were approved dated August 7, 2008.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Burlington County Farmland Preservation

Township Manager Carew said the Burlington County Farmland Preservation is asking Council to pass a Resolution participating in the purchase of farmland located in Springfield Township. It is on Jacksonville Road and seven acres is located in Eastampton. The concern he has is that Eastampton would be responsible to pick up 20% of the purchase. The total acreage of the property is 66 acres and Burlington County was offering about \$350,000 for it and 20% of that would be \$69,300. Springfield would pick up most of the cost because 60 acres is theirs. Eastampton's cost would be \$7,623.00 if Burlington County was going to buy the property at \$346,500. It is zoned Residential Agricultural (RA) and it is currently wetlands.

Mayor Renzulli suggested putting it into farmland preservation.

There was a consensus from the Council to put the property into farmland preservation.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Capital Budget

Mayor Renzulli and Township Council discussed Capital Budget items with the Public Works Director Parks, Chief Financial Officer Mingin and Township Manager Carew.

The Township Council by consensus has approved approximately \$33,500 for the refurbishment of the leaf vacuum and the purchase of a new one for the Public Works Department.

The Township Council by consensus has approved approximately \$28,600 for a new pickup truck and repairs to the current truck being used for the Public Works Department.

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The Township Council by consensus has approved approximately \$20,000 for computer equipment which includes a new server cabinet for the Manor House.

The Township Council by consensus has approved approximately \$5,000 for signs replacing the old worn out ones.

The Township Council by consensus has approved approximately \$50,000 to codification for the Code book and Landuse Zoning changes based on recommendations made as part of the periodic Master Plan review.

The Township Council by consensus has approved approximately \$50,000 for park equipment including the Student Drive sign, refrigerator, chairs, ice maker, playground equipment and recreation building landscaping for Recreation.

The Township Council by consensus has approved approximately \$20,000 for police department repairs and repairs to the Manor House.

The total of all capital improvement is \$207,100 and it would cost \$7,000 a year for principal over the next 10 years.

COMMENTS:

No comments from staff.

It was MOVED by NAGLER and seconded by MAROCCIA to adjourn the meeting at 11:16 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - Hartman, Maroccia, Nagler, Tafe, Renzulli
Nays - None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the motion passed to adjourn the meeting.

Kim-Marie White

Kim-Marie White
Municipal Clerk

Richard Renzulli

Richard Renzulli
Mayor

Adopted: November 10, 2008