

Egg Harbor Township Committee Meeting
Municipal Building, Bargaintown Road
Egg Harbor Township NJ 08234

Wednesday, January 13, 2010 – 5:00 p.m.

Minutes

Mayor McCullough called the Meeting to Order at 5:08 p.m.

Township Clerk Tedesco read the Opening Statement pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act

Roll Call: John Carman, Jr. - present
 Stanley Glassey - present
 Paul Hodson - present
 John Risley - present
 James J. McCullough - present

Also in attendance were Administrator Miller, Deputy Administrator Goodreau, Engineer Mott and Township Clerk Tedesco.

New Public Works Facility

Administrator Miller called upon Director Al Simerson, Public Works to address the Township Committee regarding bidding of the new public works facility at this time. Administrator Miller noted the architectural services were awarded and are nearing completion. The existing structure was built to accommodate fifty employees. Since that time, and a vehicle maintenance building, salt barn and several trailers have been added to the property. The proposed structure will be designed to accommodate eighty employees.

Deputy Administrator Goodreau reported that a Federal grant (\$168,500) is available through the AARA Recovery Act for energy efficient projects. Solar panels have been designed as part of the new public works building and would qualify under the Federal grant criteria. The estimated \$250,000 cost of the solar panels would be reduced to approximately \$81,500.00 by the grant.

Solicitor Friedman arrived at 5:11 p.m.

Director Simerson provided hand-outs (attached) to the Governing Body members detailing the present concerns and need for expansion of the Public Works facility. He noted that the proposed design does not provide for a washing facility for vehicles. The Township recently entered into an agreement with Galloway Township to utilize their facility to wash our larger vehicles. Smaller vehicles are taken to the Egg Harbor Township School Board facility. This arrangement appears to be the most cost effective method at this time.

Administrator Miller felt the best price for construction of a new facility could be obtained at this time due to the current economic climate.

Township Committee debated bidding the project at this time due to current budget constraints. The Governing Body will re-address this matter at the next Township Committee meeting.

Automated Waste Collection

Director Al Simerson referred to the Automated Solid Waste Collection System he proposed several years ago and provided hand-outs (attached) to the Governing Body members. He outlined numerous considerations for purchase of this system including current personnel shortages and economic conditions. The cost for this system is approximately \$1,5 million for four trucks and 13,000 containers. Township Committee debated the cost of this system versus operation and staffing needs for the current equipment, Director Simerson will provide additional information to Township Committee prior to the next Township Committee meeting.

Mayor McCullough requested Administrator Miller and Director Simerson to prepare a Letter to the Editor addressing our snow removal process in light of the recent major snow event.

Meeting with Township Engineer Mott
Madison Avenue Street Vacation (AtlantiCare)

Township Engineer Mott recommended the request to vacate a portion of Madison Avenue located between Delilah Road and the Black Horse Pike for expansion of the AtlantiCare facilities. Township Committee had no objections and will act upon an ordinance for introduction later tonight.

Baha Vista Developers Agreement

Administrator Miller advised the Planning Board approved a Developers Agreement for the Baha Vista project, West Atlantic City Monday evening. The agreement will allow them to have fill materials trucked onto the site. A resolution will be listed for consideration at the next Township Committee meeting.

Chapter 94 Amendments

Administrator Miller referred to the January 13, 2010 memo from Land Use Administrator Wilbert wherein the Planning Board has recommended amendments to § 94-38: Sidewalks and § 94-11: Curbs and Gutters. The Planning Board is recommending the second sentence of §94-38H be deleted and the addition of language requiring payment in lieu of the actual installation of curbing as a condition of the land development approval under §94-11.

New Business

“CAP” Bank Ordinance

Administrator Miller noted Ordinance 1 of 2010 listed for introduction tonight will allow the Township to exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP bank (NJSA

40A:4-45.14). Mr. Miller stated the only related cost to the Township are the publication costs. Township Committee had no objections and will act upon Ordinance 1 of 2010 later in the evening.

Revaluation Bond Ordinance

Administrator Miller said Ordinance 2 of 2010 listed for introduction tonight, allows for a special emergency appropriation in the amount of \$1,500,000 for the preparation and execution of a complete program of revaluation of real property for the use of the Local Tax Assessor and authorizing the issuance of Special Emergency Notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$1,500,000 for the associated costs. This ordinance is needed to finance the costs to be incurred as a result of the mandated municipal-wide revaluation. Township Committee will act upon Ordinance 2 of 2010 later in the meeting.

Environmental Commission Vacancy

Administrator Miller stated Chairwoman Hetrick has recommended Ex-Officio member, Russell Schmidt be elevated to a regular member filling the current vacancy. Township Committee had no objections and a resolution will be listed for the next Township Committee meeting.

Veterans Advisory Board

Committeeman Hodson stated there are two vacancies and three recommendations, Doug Lundberg, Robert McNulty and Fred Vineyard. Committeeman Hodson noted that two of those individuals, Doug Lundberg and Robert McNulty are in attendance. The Veterans Advisory Board submitted copies of the proposed By Laws and a sample resolution to increase the board membership to fifteen positions. Township Committee will review the recommended changes, but will support the appointment of Mr. McNulty and Mr. Lundberg.

Mayor McCullough recognized Mr. Ernesto Salvitico, 320 E. Glenwood Avenue, Wildwood who addressed Township Committee with a transportation proposal to connect Egg Harbor Township to areas south via a bus and seaplane. Mayor McCullough advised Mr. Salvitico that the Economic Development Commission will contact him directly for additional details.

Animal Cruelty Law

Administrator Miller reported on a resident request to establish a fine for pet owners who leave their animals outside in extreme elements which would be enforced by the Police Department. Currently, these situations are handled by the S.P.C.A. Committeeman Carman objected to the request based on the current system in place and the understaffing our Police Department. Township Committee was in agreement with Committeeman Carman.

Closed Session

Number	Title
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51	Authorizing the Township Committee to convene into a Closed Executive Session to discuss matters which may involve personnel; GWU Contract Negotiations, Union Budget Negotiations, both 6 months to 1 year disclosure, Ambulance Personnel, 6 months and Employee of the Year, 1 month.
Motion	Motion Risley, second Hodson to adopt Resolution 51 of 2010
Roll Call Vote	Carman-yes Glassey-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

Township Committee reconvened at 6:39 p.m.

Township Clerk Tedesco read the Video Broadcast/Television Statement

Mayor McCullough lead the Pledge of Allegiance

Ordinance Introductions

Number	Title
1	An Ordinance to exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP bank (NJSA 40A:4-45.14)
	Ordinance 1-2010 to be published in the <u>Mainland Journal</u> on January 20, 2010 for further consideration at a Public Hearing to be held on February 10, 2010
Purpose	To exceed the municipal budget appropriation limit
Motion	Motion Risley, second Glassey to introduce Ordinance 1 of 2010
Roll Call Vote	Carman-yes Glassey-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
2	An Ordinance making a special emergency appropriation in the amount of One Million Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for the preparation and execution of a complete program of revaluation of real property for the use of the Local Tax Assessor in the Township of Egg Harbor, County of Atlantic, New Jersey and authorizing the issuance of Special Emergency Notes in the aggregate principal amount of One Million Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for the costs thereof

	Ordinance 2-2010 to be published in <u>The Press of Atlantic City</u> on January 14, 2010 for further consideration at a Public Hearing to be held on January 27, 2010
Purpose	To finance the costs to be incurred as a result of the mandated municipal-wide revaluation
Motion	Motion Hodson, second Carman to introduce Ordinance 2 of 2010
Roll Call Vote	Carman-yes Glassey-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
3	An Ordinance to vacate a portion of Madison Avenue between Black Horse Pike and Delilah Road, described by metes and bounds and located in the Township of Egg Harbor, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey
	Ordinance 3-2010 to be published in the <u>Mainland Journal</u> on January 20, 2010 for further consideration at a Public Hearing to be held on February 10, 2010
Purpose	To vacate a portion of Madison Avenue
Motion	Motion Hodson, second Carman to introduce Ordinance 3 of 2010
Roll Call Vote	Carman-yes Glassey-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

General Public Discussion

Sandra Bickett, 110 Boston Avenue complained about the leaf pick up system and recent snow removal services. Mayor McCullough advised that Public Works has recently been directed to reverse the zone pick up next year. Mayor McCullough also explained how Public Works handles snow removal and that the recent snowstorm was not a normal snow event for this area. Our snow plows are not designed to handle snow storms of the recent magnitude and therefore, removal took longer than usual.

Motion Carman, second Hodson to close the public portion. Vote: All voted, yes.

Resolutions (Consent Calendar)

Number	Title
52	Resolution awarding contract for purchase of one ambulance for Egg Harbor Township Ambulance Service - Bay Head Investments Inc
53	Resolution authorizing execution of maintenance agreement with ITS Mailing Systems Inc for the Finance Department

54	Resolution authorizing cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate 09-00680 for Block 7502, Lot 52
55	Resolution transferring monies from one appropriation to another
56	Resolution fixing the rate of interest to be charged on delinquent taxes or assessments
57	Resolution authorizing cancellation of property tax credits or delinquent amounts of less than \$10
58	Resolution authorizing method of payment for delinquent taxes
59	Resolution authorizing the Tax Collector of the Township of Egg Harbor to issue duplicate tax sale certificate in accordance with NJSA 54:5-52.1 and charge a fee of \$100 for the issuance thereof
60	Resolution authorizing service charges for returned checks
61	Resolution authorizing refund of overpaid taxes (various)
62	Resolution authorizing refund of Curb and Sidewalk Permit 1-2008 to K Hovanian
63	Resolution authorizing reduction and refund of performance guaranty (bond and cash surety) on deposit for Gardenia Estates a.k.a. The Pinelands
64	Resolution appointing Michele Kiker and Catherine Girard as part-time employees to serve the Department of Parks and Recreation
65	Resolution appointing Raymond Adams, Gregory Moss and Heather Malia as Ambulance Service Members
Motion	Motion Glassey, second Risley to adopt Consent Calendar Resolutions 52 through 65 of 2010
Roll Call Vote	Carman-yes Glassey-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
Resolution	
66	Authorizing payment of all bills pursuant to Exhibit A
Motion	Motion Glassey, second Carman to adopt Resolution 66 of 2010
Discussion	Township Clerk Tedesco advised there was an additional bill for the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund in the amount of \$304,347.00

Motion

Motion Glassey, second Carman to adopt Resolution 66 of 2010 as amended

Roll Call Vote

Carman-yes Glassey-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

Reports

Township Committee:

Committeeman Risley announced the 300th Anniversary Birthday Bash will be held on January 21, 2010 at the Shore Mall from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. All are welcome. Committeeman Risley announced the Recreation Commission has placed a survey for public interest in a dog park on the Township website and encouraged the public participation.

Committeeman Carman and Deputy Mayor Glassey had nothing to report at this time.

Committeeman Hodson stated the Veterans Advisory Board welcomes the public to attend their meetings.

Mayor McCullough announced the Historical Society's 300th Anniversary Gala will be held on January 29th at the Greek Orthodox Church. Tickets are \$65 and the event will be catered by Carrabba's with music by Kenny I Orchestra.

APPROVALS

Motion Hodson, second Glassey to approve the payroll for the month of December 2009 in the amount of \$1,268,727.74.

Vote: All voted, yes

Motion Glassey, second Carman to approve and file the monthly Departmental Reports of December 2009.

Vote: All voted, yes

Motion Glassey, second Carman to approve the December 22, 2009, Regular Meeting Minutes of the Township Committee.

Roll call vote: Carman-yes Glassey-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

Motion Glassey, second Hodson to approve the December 22, 2009, Closed Session Minutes of the Township Committee, Resolution No. 509A-2009.

Roll call vote: Carman-yes Glassey-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

Motion Glassey, second Hodson to approve the January 1, 2010, Reorganization Minutes of the Township Committee

Roll call vote: Carman-yes Glassey-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

Resolutions

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Number	Title
67	Authorizing the Release of Executive Session Minutes
Motion	Motion Carman, second Glassey to adopt Resolution 67 of 2010
Roll Call Vote	Carman-yes Glassey-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

Adjournment

Motion Glassey, second Hodson to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

JAMES J. MC CULLOUGH, MAYOR

EILEEN M. TEDESCO, RMC
TOWNSHIP CLERK

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