

Egg Harbor Township Committee Meeting
Municipal Building, Bargaintown Road
Egg Harbor Township NJ 08234
Wednesday, March 23, 2011 – 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Mayor McCullough called the meeting to order at 5:14 p.m.

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

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

Also in attendance were Township Administrator Miller, Township Solicitor Friedman, Township Engineer Mott and Township Clerk Tedesco.

Meeting with Township Engineer Mott

Engineer Mott reported the West Atlantic City Gabion project is progressing well and is expected to be completed within the next month. Mayor McCullough noted numerous residents have commented that they are very pleased with the progress and quality of this project to date.

Old Business

Public Works Building Award

Administrator Miller advised Committeemen Cafero and Carman as well as, Public Works Director Simerson recently met with the architect for this project to review the scope of work. They believe the project will give a slight return on investment and were successful in negotiating a twenty percent reduction in the architectural fees. Resolutions 151 and 152 listed on tonight's consent calendar address award of the project and amendment to the professional fees. Committeeman Cafero said he believes the decision to switch to automated trash trucks is a solid long-range plan.

Livable Community Plan

Administrator Miller referred to the Livable Community Plan Executive Summary dated March, 2007, a copy of which is attached to the minutes. Mr. Miller explained this document was created with funding from the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation. The report projects our population to grow to 55,000 residents by the year 2025. Currently, the population is 43,000 residents. Several items from the report have been addressed including acquiring key recreation parcels, establishing adult sports leagues including adult recreation amenities in new facilities. Administrator Miller further commented on several of the plans recommendations. In 2008, our tax abatement policy was expanded to allow condominiums and smaller units to be included under our program. Item 17 suggested improvements to various intersections including West Jersey and Spruce Avenues which is anticipated to go out for bid within 45 days. Atlantic County is currently trying to resolve Green Acres concerns over a small area of the bike path which would be affected by this improvement. Administrator Miller noted if the Wal-Mart application is approved, a traffic light would likely be installed at the intersection of Old Egg Harbor

Road and Hingston Avenue and at the developer's expense. Item 22, expansion of bus service was explored but, New Jersey Transit advised they cannot consider our request to establish service from Route 9 to the Black Horse Pike due to funding issues and no guarantee of passengers. Item 25, interchange on the Garden State Parkway was discussed with the highway authority to no avail. Administrator Miller stated the Planning Board also reviewed this plan and made nine recommendations. Two recommendations which have been addressed are intersection improvements and initiation of a re-development plan for the bayview district. Other recommendations include installation of sidewalks along major corridors, enforcement of lot disturbance, installation of a bike path along the right-of-way, establish tree removal/specimen regulations and farm preservation. Several recommendations have been investigated but, not pursued due to budget constraints. Township Committee advised they will pursue recommendations where grants are available to offset costs.

Other Business (not listed on the Agenda)

Administrator Miller advised there is one additional bill for consideration for M. L. Ruberton pertaining to work on the West Atlantic City Gabion project. Resolutions 163, 164 and 165 are for the execution of a lease with South Jersey Welding, approval of rotary towing applications and transfer of funds from one appropriation to another respectively.

Closed Session

Number	Title
147	Authorizing the Township Committee to convene into a Closed Executive Session to discuss matters which may involve litigation (PAL Leases – 6 months; COAH Litigation – 1 year) and personnel (Police – 6 months)
Motion	Motion Carman, second Hodson to convene into closed executive session
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley – yes McCullough - yes

Mayor McCullough reconvened the meeting at 6:14 p.m.

Township Clerk Tedesco read the Video Broadcast/Television Statement.

Mayor McCullough lead the Pledge of Allegiance

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

Ordinances – Public Hearings

Number	Title
10	An ordinance providing for the acceptance of a deed conveying real property, drainage basin at Reega Estates Subdivision, being Lot 30 in Block 1811 of the Official Tax Map in the Township of Egg Harbor, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey
Purpose	The purpose of this ordinance is for the Township to accept the drainage basin at the Reega Estates Subdivision
Public Comment	No one came forward
Motion	Motion Hodson, second Carman to close the public comment
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
Motion	Motion Hodson, second Risley to adopt Ordinance 10
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

11	An ordinance providing for the acceptance of a deed conveying real property, open space land at Marshall Estates aka Ballenger Woods Subdivision, being Lot 1.80 in Block 6001 of the Official Tax Map in the Township of Egg Harbor, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey
Purpose	The purpose of this ordinance is for the Township to accept the open space property at the Ballenger Woods subdivision
Public Comment	No one came forward
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Hodson to close the public comment
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Risley to adopt Ordinance 11
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
12	An ordinance providing for the acceptance of a deed conveying real property, open space land at Marshall Estates aka Ballenger Woods Subdivision, being Lot 24 in Block 6004 of the Official Tax Map in the Township of Egg Harbor, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey
Purpose	The purpose of this ordinance is for the Township to accept the open space property at the Ballenger Woods subdivision
Public Comment	No one came forward
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Hodson to close the public comment
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
Motion	To adopt Ordinance 12
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
13	An ordinance providing for the acceptance of a deed conveying real property, drainage basin at Marshall Estates aka Ballenger Woods, being Lot 15.48 in Block 6005 of the Official Tax Map in the Township of Egg Harbor, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey
Purpose	The purpose of this ordinance is for the Township to accept the drainage basin at the Ballenger Woods Subdivision
Public Comment	No one came forward
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Hodson to close the public comment
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Risley to adopt Ordinance 13
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
14	An ordinance providing for the acceptance of a deed conveying real property, drainage basin at Marshall Estates aka Ballenger Woods, being Lot 15.49 in Block 6006 of the Official Tax Map in the Township of Egg Harbor, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey
Purpose	The purpose of this ordinance is for the Township to accept the drainage basin at the Ballenger Woods Subdivision
Public Comment	No one came forward
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Hodson to close the public comment
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Risley to adopt Ordinance 14
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

Public Hearing – Expenditure of 2011 Open Space Funds (6:00 PM)

Public Comment	Albert B. Fry, 22 Vella la Vella Lane questioned the purpose of the Open Space Funds. Administrator Miller referred to his March 23, 2011 memorandum regarding Open Space Fund, a copy of which is attached to the minutes. Mr. Miller explained Open Space Funds are designed to be used for purposes which will benefit the public. They include acquisition of property for either recreational or passive use or which will benefit an accessory use to recreational space. In 2011, \$400,000 is proposed for the acquisition of land in the Broadway Tract and Tony Canale Park. The balance of \$600,000 would be applied towards debt service on land previously acquired for preservation and active recreational activity. Administrator Miller advised the purpose of the public hearing is to determine if residents want funds spent in other ways.
Motion	Motion Hodson, second Risley to close the public hearing
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes
Motion	Motion Hodson, second Risley to approve expenditure of 2011 open space funds
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

General Public Discussion

Albert Fry, 22 Vella la Vella Lane asked if Engineer Mott has investigated the possibility of a dangerous condition in the culvert on Bevis Mill Road. Engineer Mott advised repairs are needed but, funds are not available at this time. However, he will inquire about the availability of funds through the capital budget. In the meantime, he will determine if weight limitations needs to be posed, as there is particular concern with the use of school buses over this roadway.

Ed McGlinchey, 7 Sunset Boulevard spoke on behalf of the Seaview Harbor Homeowners Association and expressed concern over the their lack of reliable safe drinking water. Mr. McGlinchey stated he approached the Borough of Longport about extending their public water supply into Seaview Harbor to no avail. He noted that it would be cost prohibitive to run lines from Anchorage Poynte to Seaview Harbor and asked Township Committee to approach Longport on their behalf about the possibility of entering into a local service agreement.

Mayor McCullough commented an Impact ordinance was created several years ago for the cost to construct a pump house and run a pipe over the bridge into Longport and then into the City of Margate to alleviate septic problems. He advised the Longport Construction Official said there is not sufficient pressure to provide water service into Seaview Harbor at this time. The Mayor also noted the current draft system is the best option to fight any fires. A new water system would be required in order for Longport to provide water service to Seaview Harbor.

Motion Carman, second Hodson to close the public comment. Vote: all voted, yes

Engineers Report

Township Engineer Mott had nothing to report at this time.

Administrator Miller advised that through funding from the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, a Livable Community Plan was prepared in 2007. The report which is attached to the minutes contains thirty-six recommendations several of which have been addressed including acquisition of land for recreation purposes, establishing adult activities, adjustment to our tax abatement program and intersection improvements. Additional lands and road improvements are anticipated. Requests for additional bus service from New Jersey Transit and an additional interchange from the Garden State Parkway were both denied. The Planning Board reviewed this plan in December and identified approximately ten items they would like to see implemented including enforcement of lot disturbance, and establishment of specimen tree regulations. Their recommendations for intersection

improvements and to initiate a re-development plan for the bayview district have already been addressed.

Deputy Mayor Risley stated he would like to see installation of bus shelters.

Administrator Miller asked Township Committee to consider which recommendations they wish to address next. Mayor McCullough said they will discuss further following adoption of the municipal budget.

Resolutions (Consent Calendar)

Number	Title
148	Resolution authorizing renewal of prescription benefit program with Benecard Services, Inc.
149	Resolution authorizing acceptance of contract entered into by Atlantic County Co-op for the purchase of custodial supplies
150	Resolution authorizing extension of contracts for auto parts (JC Miller Auto Parts, South Jersey Auto Supply Co and Crown Auto Parts, Inc)
151	Resolution awarding contract for public works garage – building renovations (J H Williams Enterprises Inc)
152	Resolution amending Resolution 230 of 2010 for architectural services for public works garage roof, electrical and HVAC architectural services (Olivieri, Shousky and Kiss PA)
153	Resolution authorizing acceptance of improvements of Mira Vista Investments I, LLC aka Walgreens (Block 6101, Lot 12.02 SPPF26-08)
154	Resolution authorizing acceptance of improvements of Adelhardt Construction Corp aka Bank of America (Block 1508, Lot 19 SP15-08)
155	Resolution amending Resolution 119 of 2011 which accepted improvements at Ballenger Woods (Triad III/Thomas Tract/Marshall Estates), Phases 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 4A, 4B, 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B
156	Resolution amending Resolution 118 of 2011 which accepted improvements of Little Mill, Phases I-III
157	Resolution authorizing acceptance of improvements of Golden Corral Egg Harbor NJ Inc
158	Resolution authorizing refunds from developers escrow accounts (various)
159	Resolution authorizing refund of curb and sidewalk permit 016-2010 (Doebly and Dad, LLC)
160	Resolution granting Law Enforcement United Charitable Roadway Solicitation Application
161	Resolution appointing various individuals as part-time employees to serve the Department of Parks and Recreation (Barnes, Petruzzi, Kelly)
Motion	Motion Carman, second Risley to approve Consent Calendar Resolutions 148 through 161
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

Resolution (Bill List)

Number	Resolution
162	Authorizing payment of all bills pursuant to Exhibit A
Comments	Administrator Miller advised there was an additional bill for consideration to M.L. Ruberton in the amount of \$78,728.37 for the West Atlantic City Gabion project.
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Risley to approve Resolution 162
Roll Call Vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

Resolution (Supplemental Consent Calendar)

Number	Title
163	Resolution authorizing execution of one year lease for various tanks with South Jersey Welding for the Department of Public Works

164	Resolution approving Rotary Towing applications from Guenther's Mobile Service, Point Auto Repairs, Inc., and Tri-State Towing & Transport Services, Inc. for the 2011 calendar year.
165	Resolution transferring monies from one appropriation to another.
Comment	Administrator Miller requested the total transfer amount for Resolution 165 be increased by ten thousand dollars.
Motion	Motion Hodson, second Cafero to approve resolutions 163 through 165
Roll call vote	Cafero-yes Carman-yes Hodson-yes Risley-yes McCullough-yes

Reports

Township Committee:

Committeeman Cafero advised the municipal budget has been introduced and feels it is a solid budget. Committeeman Cafero encouraged residents to take advantage of the many recreation programs offered through our Recreation department.

Administrator:

Administrator Miller advised the township recently secured a roll-over rate of 2.24 percent from Janney, Montgomery, Scott for our Special Emergency Note. Secondly, field work began about ten days ago in conjunction with the revaluation process. The field work is expected to take about one year to complete. Residents may contact the Police Department to verify personnel or vehicles being used in conjunction with this process.

Committeeman Hodson asked if the field representatives will carry identification. Administrator Miller advised personnel will carry picture identification; however, their vehicles will not be marked.

Approvals

Motion Hodson, second Carman to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Egg Harbor Township Committee meeting of March 9, 2011

Vote: All voted, yes.

Adjournment

Motion Cafero, second Hodson to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Vote: All voted, yes.

JAMES J. MCCULLOUGH, MAYOR

EILEEN M. TEDESCO, RMC - TOWNSHIP CLERK

<p>Minutes approved at the Township Committee meeting of April 13, 2011</p>
