

**Egg Harbor Township Committee Meeting
Municipal Building, Bargaintown Road
Egg Harbor Township NJ 08234
Wednesday, July 20, 2011 – 5:00 p.m.**

Minutes

Mayor McCullough called the meeting to Order at 5:01 p.m.

Deputy Township Clerk 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

Limousine Owner and Driver Hearing (5 pm) – Jose Urrea

Jose Urrea was sworn in by Solicitor Friedman. Mr. Urrea stated he did not intentionally lie on his application. Two of the violations were so long ago that he forgot. With regard to the other violations, he was found not guilty and therefore, did not think they were required to be stated. Mr. Urrea was advised his testimony would be deliberated upon by the members of Township Committee and he would receive confirmation of their findings when a decision is reached.

Meeting with Township Engineer Mott

Engineer Mott informed the Committee that there is a resolution on this evening's agenda for a change order for the West Atlantic City Gabion Project. The change order is for a total of \$4,857.34. The project has been completed and accepted.

Engineer Mott also advised that they will be going out to bid on the road paving program. The two major areas for improvement are Canale Drive off of Delilah Road and Brookside Farms East (East of Blackman Road).

Engineer Mott also indicated that the traffic signal at Spruce and West Jersey Avenue will be starting sometime next week with a completion time frame of about 90 days.

New Business

Inter-Local Agreement with Upper Township – Vehicle Washing

Administrator Miller informed the Township Committee that last year the Township had an agreement with Galloway Township, but Galloway increased their prices. The Township went shopping and Upper Township provided a better price. The travel time is about 2-3 minutes longer. There is a resolution on this evening's agenda to enter into a shared services agreement with Upper Township for the vehicle washing.

Canale Park

Administrator Miller advised there is an ordinance on this evening's agenda for introduction. The purpose of the ordinance is to enable soccer to be played at Tony Canale Park up until 11:00 p.m.

Basin Mowing Contract

Administrator Miller stated there is a resolution on the agenda to extend the present contract to Delaware Valley Hydroseeding for an additional 60 days. They have agreed to do the work at the same rate. We are presenting bidding the job for the balance of the year and the next two years will be from January through December.

Leaf Pickup

Mayor McCullough inquired whether we were on schedule with leaf pickup. Administrator Miller responded that the Township is caught up on grass and brush (bagged leaves). The pickup for wood and branches is about 10 days behind.

COAH Spending Plan

Administrator Miller advised that Resolution 276 is on this evening’s agenda to authorize the submission of the Township’s spending plan to COAH for approval. Under the current rules, we needed to get approved by the Court (approval received by Judge Isman on July 11) and thereafter by COAH.

Other Business (not listed on the Agenda)

Administrator Miller advised that there is one bill for Riggins Oil to be added to the bill list and there is a supplemental agenda with three resolutions (coin drop for Police Explorers, granting military leave to Officer Heritage and Change Order 2 for the Public Works garage renovations).

Deputy Mayor Risley advised that he attended the County hearing held regarding the conveyance of acreage to the Township for the proposed dog park along Pine Avenue. About 25 residents attended with various concerns (some against and some for). There will be another meeting to be held at the Atlantic County Library and the Township will have to decide whether to accept the conveyance.

Committeeman Carman advised that he will be attending the next meeting at the Atlantic County Library as a resident in opposition of the dog park.

Committeeman Hodson advised that he will also be attending the next meeting.

Closed Session

Number	Title
275	Authorizing the Township Committee to convene into a Closed Executive Session to discuss matters which may involve litigation and/or personnel
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Carman to approve Resolution 275
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes

Deputy Township Clerk Perez read the Video Broadcast/Television Statement

Mayor McCullough led the Pledge of Allegiance

Presentation

Mayor McCullough presented a Certificate of Commendation to Lou Rosso in recognition of his valiant bravery on July 4, 2011

Multiple Sclerosis City to Shore Bike Ride – Lloyd Humphrey

Lloyd Humphrey came before the Committee to thank the Township for their support and presented the Township with a plaque in recognition of the Township’s support. The next run is scheduled for September 24 and 25.

Ordinances – Public Hearings

Number	Title
23	An Ordinance to amend the Code of the Township of Egg Harbor, Chapter 6 thereof entitled “Administration and Government”
Purpose	The purpose of this ordinance is to include a new subsection under Division of Tax Collections to provide for a procedure for tax lien certifications redemption calculations
Public Comment	None

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 Cafero to adopt Ordinance 23 of 2011
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes

24	Refunding Bond Ordinance authorizing the issuance of up to \$5,000,000 aggregate principal amount of general obligation refunding bonds of the Township of Egg Harbor, County of Atlantic, New Jersey
Purpose	The purpose of this ordinance is to authorize the issuance of refunding bonds up to \$5,000,000 aggregate principal amount
Public Comment	None
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Hodson, to close the public comment portion
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes
Motion	Motion Risley, second Cafero to adopt Ordinance 24 of 2011
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes

25	An ordinance to amend the Code of the Township of Egg Harbor, Chapter 118 thereof entitled Garbage, Rubbish and Recycling
Purpose	The purpose of this ordinance is to amend the regulations governing solid waste collections
Public Comment	None
Motion	Motion Hodson, Cafero to close the public comment portion
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Risley to adopt Ordinance 25 of 2011
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes

Ordinances – Introduction

Number	Title
26	An ordinance to amend the code of the Township of Egg Harbor, Chapter 165, thereof, entitled, Parks
Purpose	The purpose of this ordinance is to amend the hours of operation at Tony Canale Park <i>Ordinance 26-2011 to be published in The Mainland Journal on July 27, 2011, for further consideration at a Public Hearing to be held on August 24, 2011. Copies of this Ordinance are available without cost to any member of the general public from the Township Clerk's Office during regular business hours until the date of the public hearing.</i>
Motion	Motion Carman, second Hodson to introduce Ordinance 26 of 2011
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes

General Public Discussion

Hector Tavarez, Police Athletic League. Mr. Tavarez inquired of the Committee whether the outstanding issues had been resolved as they pertain to PAL. Mayor McCullough advised that no issues have been resolved and that Mr. Tavarez would be contacted in order to schedule a meeting with the Board of Directors of the Police Athletic League and the Township Committee.

Motion Cafero, second Hodson to close the general public discussion portion of the meeting.

Vote: All members presented voted yes.

Resolutions (Consent Calendar)

Committeeman Carman asked that Resolution 276 be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Number	Title
277	Resolution authorizing execution of application for Highway Traffic Safety Project Grant, Over the Limit Under Arrest

278	Resolution to enter into an interlocal services agreement between the Township of Egg Harbor and the Township of Upper for the use of facilities, equipment and supplies for truck and equipment washing
279	Resolution awarding title work for 2011 In Rem Tax Foreclosures to Jersey National Title, Inc.
280	Resolution authorizing Mayor to execute Change Order 1 to the Contract awarded to M.L. Ruberton for West Atlantic City Stormwater Improvements.
281	Resolution approving Use of Vendors Listed on Approved State Contract List
282	Resolution authorizing execution of maintenance contract with Mitchell Humphrey (Inspections Department)
283	Resolution authorizing execution of agreement for annual pest control service to Elder Pest Control
284	Resolution authorizing execution of maintenance agreement with New World Systems for the Police Department
285	Resolution authorizing the sale of Township property and vehicles that have been deemed surplus or abandoned with GovDeals, Inc.
286	Resolution authorizing extension of Delaware Valley Hydroseeding, Inc.
287	Resolution authorizing cancellation of unused grant balances
288	Resolution authorizing refund of Curb and Sidewalk Permit 11-2010 to Thomas C. Schaffer
289	Resolution authorizing release of surety bond posted for Street Opening Permit 7-2011 (Doebley & Dad, LLC)
290	Resolution authorizing refund of Street Opening Permit 76-2011 to Jungle Lasers, LLC (AtlantiCare Avenue)
291	Resolution authorizing refund of Raffle fee to Ladies Invitational Bluefish Tournament
292	Resolution authorizing refunds from Developers Escrow Accounts (Various)
293	Resolution authorizing refund of overpaid ambulance fee (William Marlin)
294	Resolution appointing Dena Danz and Brian Wilson to the Municipal Alliance Board
295	Resolution granting FMLA leave without pay to Norman Splatt
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Carman to approve Consent Calendar Resolutions 277 through and including 295
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes

Resolution (removed from Consent Calendar)

276	Resolution requesting COAH to review and approve the Township's Spending Plan
Motion	Motion Hodson
Miller	Administrator Miller stated that the purpose of the resolution on the agenda is for overall compliance with COAH. After the spending plan is approved by the Judge, it then goes to COAH. This part of compliance does not obligate the Township in any way. It simply enables the municipality to spend the money it has been collecting.
Second	Second Risley for discussion
McCullough	Mayor McCullough stated that we have been dealing with this issue for some time and finally got approval from the Judge to agree with our proposal.
Hodson	Committeeman Hodson stated he did not agree with COAH, but believes we should show the Judge that we are willing to try and work out something. This would be our intention that we are trying to resolve the matter as best we can.
Friedman	Solicitor Friedman advised the Committee they had no choice in the matter.
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – no Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes

Resolution (Bill List)

Number	Title
296	Authorizing payment of all bills pursuant to exhibit A
Motion	Motion Carman, second Hodson to adopt Resolution 296 with the addition of a bill for payment from Riggins Oil in the sum of \$52,535.92
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes

Resolution (Supplemental)

Number	Title
297	Authorizing payment of all bills pursuant to exhibit A
298	Resolution granting Police Explorer Post 94 a Charitable Roadway Solicitation Application
299	Resolution granting military leave without pay to David Heritage
300	Resolution awarding formal bid for electrical and plumbing on-site inspection contracts to Municipal Code Inspection, Inc.
301	Resolution appointing Jamal Sharif and Nicholas Romantino to serve the Department of Public Works as temporary seasonal laborers
302	Resolution appointing Stephanie Sharpe to Administration and Finance
Motion	Motion Risley, second Cafero to approve the adoption of Resolutions 297 through 302
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes

Reports

Township Committee:

Committeeman Hodson reminded the public that the Bargaintown Volunteer Fire Department is having a fund-raiser at the Farmington Fire House this Saturday at 6:00 p.m. They need your support to raise funds for the construction of their new building.

Committeeman Hodson also reminded the public that the Recreation Department has Rhythm in the Park on Friday. This Friday there is a concert from 7 to 9 p.m. He also thanked all the sponsors who help the Recreation Department and the Township with these events.

Committeeman Risley stated it is always important to thank the businesses and vendors who do so much to support events in the Township as well as the Municipal Alliance. He reminded the public that August 2 is National Night Out which is a crime awareness night. It will be held at Tony Canale Park from 5 to 9 p.m.

Committeeman Risley also advised the public that the Historical Society has a new website www.gehtsmuseum.org where visitors will learn about the society and its museum.

Committeeman Risley stated that the Township received their audit and the LOSAP audit. The one highlight that jumps out is that a corrective action plan will not be required. This is a big feather in the municipality's cap.

Mayor McCullough stated he reviewed the audit. It is rare to find an audit that is as complicated as that of a municipality without recommendation for changes. He complimented the Township Committee, Administrator Miller and Chief Financial Officer McIver who have done a remarkable job. It is an excellent report.

Committeeman Carman had nothing to report.

Committeeman Cafero talked about two ordinances on this evening's agenda: Ordinance 24 saves the Township about \$160,000 and Ordinance 25 is an update to our municipal code, specifically regulations governing solid waste collection. Both ordinances are good for the Township.

Mayor McCullough stated the Township depends on revenue. We are fortunate to have quality employees. Our bargaining units have worked with us and sacrificed over the past years. They have contributed to our budgets and have saved jobs.

Administrator:

Administrator Miller reported on the Bond Anticipation Notes (BANS). Three (3) bids were received with the low bid coming in at 1.1%. The term is for ninety (90) days. The intention is to merge all of our existing BANS into one note in September.

Approvals

Motion	Motion Hodson, second Cafero to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of the Egg Harbor Township Committee meeting of June 22, 2011
Vote	All members present voted yes
Motion	Motion Cafero, second Hodson to approve the Closed Executive Session Meeting Minutes of the Egg Harbor Township Committee meeting of June 22, 2011, pursuant to Resolution 242-2011
Roll Call Vote	Cafero – yes Carman – yes Hodson – yes Risley - yes McCullough – yes
Motion	Motion Carman, second Cafero to approve the June 2011 Departmental Reports
Vote	All members present voted yes
Motion	Motion Carman, second Cafero to approve the payroll for the month ending June 2011 in the sum of \$1,120,737.18
Vote	All members present voted yes

Adjournment

Motion Cafero, second Risley to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Vote: All members present voted yes.

James J. McCullough, Mayor

Olga A. Perez, RMC
Deputy Township Clerk

*Approved at meeting of
August 24, 2011*