

# FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

## WORKSHOP MEETING

**MAY 12, 2015**

At 6:50 p.m. the Township Committee met in the Room 214 of the municipal building. Mayor Cook read the following statement:

“In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, (c. 231 P.L. 1975), this meeting was announced on January 5, 2015 by: 1.) posting a notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building reserved for that purpose, 2.) by mailing such notice to the offices of the official newspapers of the Township and 3.) by filing such notice with the Township Clerk”

In Attendance: Committeewoman McMorrow, Committeeman Preston, Committeeman Salkin and Mayor Cook.

Absent: Committeeman Ammiano

Also in attendance: Ms. Patino, Deputy Clerk.

Ms. Patino, Deputy Clerk read the following resolution:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 of the Open Public meetings Act permits the exclusion of the public from meetings of public bodies in certain circumstances which are set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (b); and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Freehold is of the opinion that such circumstances currently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Freehold as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from the discussion of any action upon the hereinafter specified matters.

2. The nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

1. PERSONNEL

1a. Board Membership Interviews

2. PROPERTY SALE/ACQUISITION

2a. Beadleston Drive

2b. NJDEP/Green Acres Property Discussion

3. ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE

3a. Freehold Independent Fire Ladies Auxiliary Event Request

3b. Billboards

3. It is anticipated at this time the above-stated subject matter will be made public in approximately thirty (30) days or at such time as any litigation discussed is resolved.

The foregoing resolution was moved by Mrs. McMorrow and seconded by Mr. Salkin

VOTE: AYES: Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Preston, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Cook

NAYS: None ABSENT: Mr. Ammiano ABSTAIN: None

At 6:52 pm the Township Committee adjourned to executive session.

At 8:15 pm the Executive Session ended.

Mayor Cook re-read the following statement:

“In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, (c. 231 P.L. 1975), this Meeting was announced on January 5, 2015 by: 1.) posting a notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building reserved for that purpose, 2.) by mailing such notice to the offices of the official newspapers of the Township and 3.) by filing such notice with the Township Clerk”

Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance

In Attendance: Committeeman Ammiano, Committeewoman McMorrow, Committeeman Preston, Committeeman Salkin and Mayor Cook.

Absent: None

Also in attendance: Mr. Valesi, Township Administrator; Mr. Robert Munoz Esq., Township Attorney; Ms. Mladinov, Executive Secretary and Ms. Patino, Deputy Township Clerk.

#### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Mr. Ammiano made a motion to approve the Township Committee Meeting Minutes of March 28, 2015, seconded by Mr. Salkin.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Preston, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Cook

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

O-15-9- Refunding Bond Ordinance Providing for the Refunding of Certain General Obligation Bonds of the Township of Freehold, New Jersey, Appropriating \$5,400,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$5,400,000 Bonds or Notes of the Township for Financing the Cost Thereof

Mayor Cook asked for any comments or questions from the public on this ordinance.

Mr. Valesi explained that we would not be doing a refunding of the bond right at this time, if you adopt this ordinance. We have to wait until the calculations are correct. We have to have a 3% change in the interest rate to do this. We are almost there, but need this ordinance to be in place so we can jump on the interest rate when it is ripe to do it.

There being no comments from the public, Mr. Salkin moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Preston.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Preston, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Cook

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

Mr. Salkin moved to adopt Ordinance O-15-9, seconded by Mrs. McMorrow.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Preston, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Cook

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

R-15-106 – Resolution Authorizing an Affordability Assistance Loan Repayment Agreement with the Buyer of an Affordable Housing Unit at 25-7 Wyeth Drive

Mr. Preston read Resolution R-15-106 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Salkin.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Preston, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Cook

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

R-15-107 – Resolution Approving Consolidated Bills List

Mr. Salkin read Resolution R-15-107, the Consolidated Bills List in the amount of \$8,387,249.03 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Preston.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Preston, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Cook

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

### **FORMAL ACTION – CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS**

The “Consent Agenda” section of the Meeting Agenda shall be preceded by an explanatory note substantially set forth as follows:

All matters listed under item “Consent Agenda” are considered routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired of any item, that item will be considered separately.”

R-15-108 – Resolution Approving Freehold Township’s Participation in the Federal 1033 Program and Approving the Acquisition of Surplus Military Equipment

R-15-109 – Resolution Voiding a Tax Sale Certificate

R-15-110 – Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the County of Monmouth Regarding Roadway Improvements to County Route 524 (Elton Adelphia Road) and Halls Mill Road in the Township of Freehold

R-15-111 – CDBG Block Grant Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Project Agreement with Monmouth County for Performance and Delivery of FY 2015 Community Development Projects (Senior Center Accessibility and Parking Lot Improvements)

R-15-112 – CDBG Block Grant Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Certification Prohibiting the Use of Excessive Force and a Certification Prohibiting the Use of Federal Funds for Lobbying (Senior Center Accessibility and Parking Lot Improvements)

R-15-113 – Resolution Providing for the Form, Maturities and Other Details of Not to Exceed \$2,800,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds of the Township of Freehold, New Jersey and Providing for their Sale

R-15-114 – Resolution Authorizing a Contract for the Installation of an RCP Pavilion for the ADA Playground at Michael J. Tighe Park

R-15-115 – Resolution Amending Resolution R-15-103 Constituting an Agreement with Certain State Contract Vendors

Mrs. McMorrow read the Consent Agenda Resolutions, and moved them for adoption, seconded by Mr. Salkin.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Preston, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Cook

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

## **DISCUSSION**

### **New Jersey Natural Gas – Proposed Southern Reliability Link**

Mr. Valesi spoke about his meeting with New Jersey Natural Gas regarding a broad statewide project, proposed Southern (Reliability Link) Supply Line that will not be going through Freehold Township, but gas will be served to Freehold Township.

The Township Committee agreed to do a resolution to support this.

#### Added

Mr. Ammiano asked for a letter to be sent to Dr. Canto for his service on the Board of Health.

## **MOTIONS (Added)**

Mr. Ammiano made a motion to appoint Lisa Porth as a member on the Board of Health, seconded by Mr. Salkin.

VOTE: AYES: Mr. Ammiano, Mrs. McMorrow, Mr. Preston, Mr. Salkin and Mayor Cook

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

Mayor Cook appointed to the Municipal Alliance Committee, Barbara Gandolfo and to the Parks and Recreation Commission, Raymond Santiago.

There being no further business, Mayor Cook asked for any comments or questions from the public.

There being none, he asked for comments from the dais.

Mrs. McMorrow commented that Clare Celano from the News Transcript is retiring and that the Township should do a proclamation for her. The Township Committee agreed.

Mr. Ammiano said that Ted Narozanick was in the hospital and was moved to rehabilitation in Tinton Falls.

Mr. Ammiano also said the Senior Center enrollment is up. It has increased by 240 people in the first 5 months. He said that Cathy Johnson runs a very nice program. Mr. Ammiano suggested maybe, hiring another person to handle the increase of members.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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Theresa Patino, Deputy Township Clerk