

**FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 23, 2016**

At 7:30 p.m. the Township Committee met in the Mayor's Caucus Room of the municipal building. Mayor McMorrow read the following statement:

"In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, (c. 231 P.L. 1975), this meeting was announced on January 6, 2016 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: Committeeman Ammiano, Committeeman Cook, Committeeman Preston, Committeeman Salkin and Mayor McMorrow.

Absent: None

Also in attendance: Mr. Valesi, Township Administrator; Mr. Munoz, Esq., Township Attorney; Ms. Patino, Deputy Clerk and Ms. Warner, Township Clerk.

Mayor McMorrow handed out assignments for the evening.

Mr. Valesi reviewed a few development projects that are on-going. He stated the Affordable Housing trial is set for June 20, 2016.

At 8:00 pm the Regular Meeting was began.

Mayor McMorrow re-read the following statement:

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Pledge of Allegiance

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

Absent: None

Also in attendance: Mr. Valesi, Township Administrator; Mr. Munoz, Esq., Township Attorney; Ms. Patino, Deputy Clerk; Ms. Hopkins, PIO and Ms. Warner, Township Clerk.

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL**

Mr. Ammiano moved to approve the Township Committee Meeting minutes of January 5, 2016 and January 26, 2016, seconded by Mr. Salkin.

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

NAYS: None    ABSENT: None    ABSTAIN: None

**REPORTS**

Ms. Warner read the Report of the Tax Collector for the Month of January 2016:

Net Receipts:	General Fund \$	11,969,778.90
	Water Account \$	427,671.23
	Sewer Account \$	696,626.21

For Informational Purposes – ABC Extension of Premise – Encore Banquet Center LLC – March 12, 2016 (Concert)

For Informational Purposes – ABC Social Affair Permit – Freehold Area Running Club – (Michael J. Tighe Park) March 13, 2016

Ms. Warner reported the Chief of Police has approved both of these ABC permits.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**PRESENTATIONS**

Proclamation – “National FFA Week” –February 20-27, 2016

Mayor McMorrow presented the proclamation to Mr. Neyhart and the students from the Future Farmers of America. They presented Mayor McMorrow with a plant and thanked the committee for recognizing them each year.

Certificates of Achievement – Freehold Township High School Girls Field Hockey Team

Mayor McMorrow presented the Certificates to the students of the Girls Field Hockey Team.

**OLD BUSINESS**

R-16-51                      Resolution Acknowledging Receipt and Review of Planning Board Report Re: Ordinance O-16-2

Mr. Ammiano read R-16-51 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook.

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

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

O-16-1 Ordinance Amending Chapter 47 (Personnel), Section 47-12 (Leaves of Absence) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey

Mayor McMorrow opened the meeting to the public and asked if there were any comments or questions.

There being none, Mr. Ammiano moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Salkin.

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

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

Mr. Ammiano then moved ordinance O-16-1 for adoption, seconded by Mr. Salkin.

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

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

O-16-2 Ordinance Amending Chapter 190 (Land Use), Article XIII (Zone Regulations), Section 190-153 (Light Industrial Zone LI-3) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey

Mayor McMorrow opened the meeting to the public and asked if there were any comments or questions.

There being none, Mr. Ammiano moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Mr. Cook.

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

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

Mr. Salkin then moved ordinance O-16-2 for adoption, seconded by Mr. Cook.

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

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

**NEW BUSINESS**

R-16-52                    Resolution Approving Consolidated Bills List

Mr. Preston read R-16-52, the Consolidated Bills List in the amount of \$3,391,217.56 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Ammiano.

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

NAYS: None    ABSENT: None    ABSTAIN: \*

\*Mayor McMorrow abstained on bills to the Enclave.

**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 (1) 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-16-53                    Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Shared Services Agreement with Borough of Keyport for Information Technology Services

R-16-54                    Resolution Extending the Contract for As-Needed Electrical Services Within the Township

R-16-55                    Resolution Disbursing Overpayments and Cancelling Taxes

R-16-56                    Resolution Authorizing Reduction of the Performance Guarantees for Enclave @ Freehold, Subdivision No. 885-1-13

R-16-57                    Resolution Amending Resolution No. R-16-25 Adopted on January 12, 2016 Authorizing Release of Performance Guarantees for DCH Investments, Inc. – Freehold Nissan, Site Plan No. 771-07

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

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

NAYS: None    ABSENT: None    ABSTAIN: \*

\*Mayor McMorrow abstained on R-16-56.

There being no further business, Mayor McMorrow opened the meeting to the public asked for any comments or questions.

JJ Mistretta, 506-8 Harding Road, asked where we stand with Shop Marlboro, are we going ahead with it? She also asked if we were opting out of the Monmouth County Tax Pilot Program.

Mr. Valesi said Shop Freehold is still in discussions.

Mayor McMorrow said a Steering Committee has to discuss and let us know if we can legally opt out. The deadline for a decision is the end of April.

Mr. Preston said there is guidance coming in early April. Information has been misleading. You can't just opt out, we can only petition to opt out. Right now you are not permitted to opt out by law. Once we have guidance then we will discuss it.

Ms. Mistretta said she would like to be notified when a decision is made or if there is a meeting she wants to know about it.

There being no further comments, Mayor McMorrow asked for comments from the dais.

Mr. Ammiano congratulated the Field Hockey Team and the Future Farmers of America.

Mr. Preston said the Fire election was last Saturday. He congratulated Ryan Bailey for winning his election in Fire District 2 and wanted to thank Sam Polverino who is the outgoing Commissioner. He said Sam has been a Fire Commissioner for 21 years and next year will celebrate 50 years of service on the Fire Department. He has given a great service to our town.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

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Teresa Warner, Freehold Township Clerk