

# FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

## REGULAR MEETING

September 26, 2017

At 7:15 p.m. the Township Committee met in the Mayor's Caucus Room of the municipal building. Mayor Preston read the following statement:

"In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, (c.231 P.L. 1975), this meeting was announced on January 9, 2017: 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,  
Committeewoman McMorrow, Committeeman Salkin and  
Mayor Preston

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

Erin Beuka was interviewed for a position on the Historic Preservation Commission. After the interview, the Township Committee was in agreement with the mayor to appoint her at tonight's meeting.

Mr. Munoz 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. Interview-Historic Preservation Commission Membership

The following was added to the Executive Session Resolution:

2. ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE

2a. Affordable Housing

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 Mr. Salkin and seconded by Mrs. McMorrow.

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

NAYS: None    ABSENT: None    ABSTAIN: None

At 7:30 pm the Township Committee adjourned to executive session.

Executive Session adjourned at 7:59 pm.

At 8:00 pm the Regular Meeting was called to order.

Mayor Preston re-read the following statement:

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that purpose, 2.) by mailing such notice to the offices  
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3.) by filing such notice with the Township Clerk”

Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance

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

Absent: None

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

#### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Mr. Ammiano made a motion to approve the Township Committee Minutes  
of July 11, 2017, Executive and Workshop and July 25, 2017, Regular Meeting  
seconded by Mr. Cook.

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

NAYS: None    ABSENT: None    ABSTAIN: None

#### **REPORTS**

Ms. Patino read the Report of the Tax Collector for the Month of August 2017:

Net Receipts:	General Fund	\$29,676,308.30
	Water Account	\$335,891.17
	Sewer Account	\$466,106.90

ABC Social Affair Permit- Special Olympic NJ- October 28, 2017  
Freehold Township Senior Center

ABC Social Affair Permit- Silvermead Community Club- October 28, 2017

Ms. Patino reported the Social Affair permits were in order and were approved  
by the Chief of Police.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Life-Saving Certificate- Drew Lubber, Paramedic & Firefighter

Mayor Preston presented the Life Saving Certificate to Mr. Lubber and thanked him for his heroic efforts and rapid response to save the life of a woman on July 23, 2017.

Proclamation – Honoring East Freehold Fire Company- 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Mayor Preston presented the Proclamation to the Fire Department Members and thanked them for their service to Freehold Township. He congratulates them on their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Mayor Preston also asked Samuel Polverino, (Freehold Township Firefighter), and (Cookie) Cheryl Cook, (member of Freehold Township Historic Committee) to come up and congratulated them on their upcoming nuptials.

There was a 5 minute recess.

**OLD BUSINESS**

O-17-12 – Ordinance Amending Chapter XI (Traffic), Section 11-4 (Parking), Section 11-4.3, Schedule II (Stopping or Standing of Motor Vehicles Prohibited on Certain Streets), Section 11-4.3A, Schedule IIA (Stopping or Standing of Motor Vehicles Prohibited During Certain Hours on School Days) and Section 11-4.8.1, Schedule IIIB (Parking by Permit Only on Designated Streets) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey

Mayor Preston opened the ordinance to the public and asked for any comments or questions.

There being no comments, Mrs. McMorrow moved to close the public hearing on the ordinance, seconded by Mr. Cook.

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

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

Mr. Ammiano moved to adopt Ordinance O-17-12, second by Mr. Cook.

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

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

**NEW BUSINESS**

R-17-216 Resolution Approving Consolidated Bills List

Mr. Cook read Resolution R-17-216, the Consolidated Bills List in the amount of \$6,492,604.40 and moved it for adoption, seconded by Mr. Ammiano.

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

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

## **CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS**

The “Consent Agenda” section of the Meeting Agenda shall be preceded by an explanatory note substantially set forth as follows: Matters listed under the items of “Consent Agenda” are required to conduct the day to day operations of the Township, and will be enacted by one (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-17-217 – Resolution Approving JLM Realty, LLC Facilities Modification Application for Block 28, Lot 19.02, 115 Dutch Lane Road, Application WCFMA-07-17

R-17-218 – Resolution Authorizing Acceptance and Execution of Agreement with Communications Workers of America, CWA Local 1075

R-17-219 – Resolution Authorizing Acceptance and Execution of Agreement with IUOE, Local 68

R-17-220 – Resolution Authorizing Added Tax Liens

R-17-221 – Resolution Disbursing Overpayments of Taxes

R-17-222 – Resolution Authorizing a Contract for Charter Bus Service for Parks and Recreation Programs

R-17-223 - Resolution Authorizing a Contract for 2017 Leaf Recycling/Disposal with Gibson Farms

R-17-224 – Resolution Authorizing a Contract for 2017 Leaf Recycling/Disposal with Sigismondi Brothers Farm of Manalapan, NJ

R-17-225 – Resolution Authorizing a Contract for Electronics Recycling

R-17-226 – Resolution Authorizing Change Order Number 1, Contract 15-18, for the Proprietary Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) System Upgrades and Components

R-17-227 – Resolution Amending Resolution R-17-204 Constituting an Agreement with Certain State Contract Vendors

R-17-228 – Resolution Combining Bonds Aggregating the Principal Sum of \$6,910,000 Authorized by Seven Bond Ordinances Heretofore Adopted to Finance Part of the Cost of Various General Improvements in the Township of Freehold, County of Monmouth, New Jersey into One Consolidated Issue of Bonds and Providing for the Form, Maturities and Other Details of Said Consolidated Issue

R-17-229 – Resolution Adopting the Township of Freehold Surplus Policy and Minimum Reserve Requirements

R-17-230 – Resolution Adopting the Township of Freehold Capital Budget and Debt Management Plan

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

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

NAYS: None    ABSENT: None    ABSTAIN: None

### **DISCUSSION**

Mr. Valesi spoke about the 2017 Best Practices questionnaire that we needed to complete for the State; this allows us to receive our State Aid. Last year we scored 90% and this year we scored 92%. We answered yes to all the major items and only no to a few questions.

### **MOTIONS**

Mrs. McMorrow made a motion to appoint Debra Preston as a member of the Municipal Alliance to Prevent Substance Abuse Committee, second by Mr. Ammiano.

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

NAYS: None    ABSENT: None    ABSTAIN: Mayor Preston

Mayor Preston made a Mayor's appointment to appoint Erin Beuka as a member of the Historic Preservation Commission.

There being no further business, Mayor Preston asked for any comments from the public.

Paul Hessler, 174 Farm Road, Freehold shared pictures with the Township Committee regarding locations of stop signs located by the TD Bank. He asked who is in charge of signage of private property?

Mr. Valesi explained that developers put up stop signs in the development while the development is being build. When the development is done they are removed because they are no longer needed.

Also, Mr. Hessler was concerned about the people in Puerto Rico due to the extent of the weather damage there. Can we do anything to help? Mayor Preston replied that St. Roberts and also the Township are helping by making collections of items that are needed.

Mayor asked if there were any other comments from the audience. There being no further comments, Mayor Preston asked for any comments from the dais.

Mr. Cook congratulated the East Freehold Fire Company on their Anniversary, Sam and Cookie on their wedding and to the Freehold First Aid and the young man for saving that woman's life.

Mr. Salkin reflected on what happened on 9-11 and how the firefighters hung the flag. He wanted to vent his feelings and said they would never have taken a knee. He is very disgusted.

Mr. Ammiano, also wanted to congratulate everyone tonight. He would like to thank everyone for making the golf outing a huge success. They raised \$12,000. Thank you.

Mrs. McMorrow also congratulated the East Freehold Fire Company on their Anniversary and commented that we are very fortunate have them. She also congratulated Cookie and Sam on their wedding.

She also spoke about the:

- Art Festival on October 1.
- The Alliance fund raiser on Oct, 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup>, Dine Around in Freehold Borough for \$20.00 per ticket.
- Thanked Drew Lubber, She said we are blessed to live in a town with such great people.

Mayor Preston would also like to congratulate the Fire Company and Drew. This Saturday at 12:00 noon is the Anniversary for the Fire Company at Lake Topenemus.

He also wanted to remind everyone about the recognition for childhood cancer; the Gold Bows are being placed on the columns at the municipal building and all around town. Teal Bows for ovarian cancer and Sunday October 1, we will be putting out Pink Bows for the recognition for breast cancer. Please come and help us. Thank you.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

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Township Clerk