

MINUTES OF THE BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
DECEMBER 15, 2014 COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Township Council of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, convened in a regular session on Monday, December 15, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers in the Municipal Complex, Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807.

Council President Moench read the following announcement:

Notice of Meeting

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was provided on January 7, 2014 by sending written and electronic notice to the Courier News and the Star Ledger, posting on the Township website and on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and filing with the Township Clerk.

On call of the roll, the following Council members were present:

Allen Kurdyla
Howard V. Norgalis
Filipe Pedroso
Christine Henderson Rose (absent)
Council President Matthew C. Moench

Also Present: James T. Naples, Township Administrator
William Savo, Township Attorney
Robert C. Bogart, Township Engineer
Linda J. Doyle, Township Clerk

Council President Moench led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Reports

Councilman Norgalis reported the following:

- Attended the Somerset County Planning Board Open House where they demonstrated various levels of the GIS data system
- Attended the Centerbridge Housing Holiday Celebration
- Attended the GOP/Republican party
- Met with the Mayor and Administration to discuss 2015 objectives
- Attended the Somerset County Business Partnership Annual Meeting

Councilman Pedroso reported he was in Portugal for a few days. He attended the GOP/Republican party upon his return.

Councilman Kurdyla reported he too attended the GOP/Republican party

Council President Moench reported he attended two planning board meetings at which time the Al-Falah Settlement and the Weyerhouser redevelopment plans were approved. He also reminded everyone he is holding a holiday drive for the Raritan pregnancy Aid center and urged all to bring donations to the Clerk's office at town hall.

Mayor's Report

There was nothing new to report.

Public Comment

On motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the meeting was opened to the public for discussion.

Members of the public wishing to address the Council on any matter will be allowed two minutes to speak, unless there are unusual circumstances.

William Metz, 45 Shannon Road was present. He asked when the closed session minutes concerning the Al-Falah litigation will be released to the public being there is now a settlement. He was advised it will be sometime in the near future. Mr. Mentz stated when the Cyanamid proposal was presented to Council, the Engineer at the time mentioned he would provide periodic updates. Mr. Metz asked if there has been any updates and was advised the EPA is currently overseeing the clean-up and updates may be forthcoming in the new year. Mr. Metz inquired about tree cutting around Ellen Road. He was advised Township Administrator Naples would investigate and provide him an answer.

On motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the public comment portion was closed.

Public Hearing & Final Action Ordinance

ORDINANCE OF THE BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR THE TOWNSHIP TO ACQUIRE LAND IDENTIFIED AS LOT 18, IN BLOCK 477 CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 15 ACRES LOCATED ON ROUTE 202-206 NORTH FOR THE PURCHASE PRICE OF \$2,750,000 TO BE PAID FROM THE PROCEEDS OF A BOND ORDINANCE TO BE ADOPTED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,935,000 AND \$815,000 FROM OPEN SPACE TRUST FUNDS

On motion of Councilman Pedroso, seconded by Councilman Norgalis, the meeting was opened to the public.

No one wished to speak.

On motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the public

hearing portion of this meeting was closed.

On motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the foregoing Ordinance was proposed. The vote was as follows:

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilwoman Rose	Absent
Council President Moench	Aye

THE ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-294 is appended to the official minutes

Resolutions

Councilman President Moench read the following resolutions by title and allowed for discussions/questions. He then called for a consent motion.

On motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the following resolutions were proposed. The vote was as follows:

Councilman Kurdyla	Aye
Councilman Norgalis	Aye
Councilman Pedroso	Aye
Councilwoman Rose	Absent
Council President Moench	Aye

PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2014 BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION-\$2,000.00

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-295 is appended to the official minutes

PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2014 BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER -\$7,500.00

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-296 is appended to the official minutes

AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014 APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$325,855.00 IN THE CURRENT FUND

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-297 is appended to the official minutes

AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW BUDGET FOR 2014 FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$10,000 FOR MAINTAINING AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS TO BE PAID FROM THE HOUSING TRUST FUND AND AN ADDITIONAL \$70,000 FOR LITIGATION FEES

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-298 is appended to the official minutes

AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE TOWNSHIP PLANNER SO THAT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FEES FOR THE PLANNER FOR 2014 SHALL NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-299 is appended to the official minutes

SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT TO AUTHORIZE SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT DATA CONTINUITY - SHARED DATA CENTER SPACE - OLDBRIDGE TOWNSHIP

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-300 is appended to the official minutes

A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN A SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY UP TO THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000.00

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-301 is appended to the official minutes

AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1/ FINAL CHANGE ORDER DECREASING THE PRICE FROM \$315,407.87 TO \$287,964.07, WHICH IS A DECREASE OF 8.70% OR (\$27,443.80) FROM THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT, AND FINAL PAYMENT TO DESANTIS CONSTRUCTION INC, AND AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROJECT AND RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE MAINTENANCE BOND FOR THE HILLCREST ROAD

SECTION I ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-302 is appended to the official minutes

AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1/ FINAL CHANGE ORDER DECREASING THE PRICE FROM \$128,779.00 TO \$118,606.00, WHICH IS A DECREASE OF 7.90% OR (\$10,173.00) FROM THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT, AND FINAL PAYMENT TO LAND-TECH ENTERPRISES, INC., AND AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROJECT AND RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE MAINTENANCE BOND FOR THE PETER'S BROOK - HILLSIDE CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-303 is appended to the official minutes

AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1/ FINAL CHANGE ORDER DECREASING THE PRICE FROM \$130,544.00 TO \$105,228.00, WHICH IS A DECREASE OF 19.39% OR (\$25,316.00) FROM THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT, AND FINAL PAYMENT TO A&A CURBING INC, AND AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROJECT AND RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE MAINTENANCE BOND FOR THE IVY LANE AND TIFFIN PLACE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-304 is appended to the official minutes

AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF THE PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,778.00, A CASH BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,778.00, ACCEPTANCE OF THE SITE IMPROVEMENTS AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,347.36 FOR TOPSPIN TABLE TENNIS CLUB, INC., BLOCK 348, LOT 3025E KEARNEY ST., BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-305 is appended to the official minutes

REIMBURSEMENT OF FIRE PERMIT FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$166 FOR TEMPLE SHOLOM IN CONNECTION WITH GIFT WRAPPING ON VARIOUS DATES FROM DECEMBER 8 TO DECEMBER 24, 2014, AT THE BRIDGEWATER COMMONS MALL

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-306 is appended to the official minutes

AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR OPEN CHANNEL FLOW MONITORING SERVICES - SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM TO THE HACH COMPANY, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,700.00

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

A copy of resolution #14-12-15-307 is appended to the official minutes

On the motion of Councilman Norgalis, seconded by Councilman Kurdyla, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda J. Doyle, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Matthew C. Moench
Council President