

April 17, 2012

The regular meeting of the Southampton Township Committee was held on April 17, 2012 at the Robert L. Thompson Building, 5 Retreat Road, Southampton, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by Mayor James F. Young, Sr., at 8:00 p.m. and followed by a salute to the Flag of the United States of America.

A roll call confirmed those Committee members who were present, which included: Committeeman C. Edman Budd, Committeeman Joseph Laufer, Committeeman James Minster, Deputy Mayor Robert Moore and Mayor James F. Young, Sr.

The Municipal Clerk/Administrator read the following statement: Public Notice of the meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act has been given by the Township in the following manner: Posting a copy of the agenda on the bulletin board in the municipal building. Filing a copy of the agenda with the Central Record and the Burlington County Times. Filing a copy of the agenda in the office of the Municipal Clerk. Mailing written notice to each person who has requested copies of the regular meeting schedule.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Regular Meeting – March 20, 2012

Motion: Committeeman Laufer                      Seconded: Committeeman Budd

Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore abstain, Mayor Young yes

**ORDINANCES: Second Reading and Public Hearing**

**Ordinance 2012-4**

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 12 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Southampton to Create Standards for Alternate Energy Installations and Further Amending Section 8-1 Entitled “Fees” for Consistency with these Amendments

Mayor Young opened Public Hearing

Public Comments:

Daniel Fischer, 513 Ridge Road, asked for an explanation of the ordinance and also asked for a copy.

Betty Conley, 90 Main Street, said that section d.1.l. was confusing and asked if it should be placed elsewhere. Mr. Morris explained the meaning of the section.

There being no further comments, Mayor Young closed Public Comment.

Motion to Adopt: Committeeman Budd                      Seconded: Deputy Mayor Moore

Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**ORDINANCES: First Reading and Publication**

**Ordinance 2012-5**

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2011-11

Motion to approve: Committeeman Budd                      Seconded: Committeeman Laufer  
Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman  
Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**Resolution 2012-50**

A Resolution of the Township of Southampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, to Execute an Agreement with Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders for Solid Waste/Recycling Contracts for the Period January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012

Motion: Committeeman Laufer                      Seconded: Deputy Mayor Moore  
Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman  
Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**Resolution 2012-51**

A Resolution of the Township of Southampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey Authorizing an Application for a County Municipal Park Development Program Grant

Motion: Committeeman Budd                      Seconded: Committeeman Laufer  
Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman  
Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**Resolution 2012-52**

Awarding Bid for Refuse Packer

Motion: Deputy Mayor Moore                      Seconded: Committeeman Budd  
Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman  
Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**Resolution 2012-53**

Resolution of the Township Committee of the Township of Southampton Authorizing the Reading of the 2012 Municipal Budget by Title as Provided by the Local Budget Law

Motion: Deputy Mayor Moore                      Seconded: Committeeman Budd  
Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman  
Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**PUBLIC HEARING OF THE 2012 SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP BUDGET:**

Motion to open: Deputy Mayor Moore                      Seconded: Committeeman Budd

Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

Public Comment: None

There being no comments, Mayor Young asked for a motion to close the public comment session on the 2012 budget.

Motion to close: Committeeman Laufer                      Seconded: Deputy Mayor Moore  
Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**Resolution 2012-54**

Resolution to Amend the Approved Budget of the Township of Southampton County of Burlington

Motion: Deputy Mayor Moore                      Seconded: Committeeman Budd  
Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**Resolution 2012-55**

Resolution Supporting A-2717 (Proposed Assembly Bill extending the timeframe for use of municipal affordable housing trust funds an additional four years)

Motion: Committeeman Budd                      Seconded: Committeeman Minster  
Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**Resolution 2012-56**

Amending the Employee Manual

Motion: Deputy Mayor Moore                      Seconded: Committeeman Laufer  
Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Mayor Young reported the resignations of Jeff Fridell and Ed Snow as Emergency Management Coordinator and Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator respectively. Mayor Young appointed Chuck Oatman to the position of Emergency Management Coordinator.

Deputy Mayor Moore reported a visit he made to the second grade students. Mr. Moore was very impressed with the behavior of the students and the level of questions asked regarding our municipal government.

Committeeman Budd asked that the landscaping at the old town hall be improved.

**CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT:**

Nancy Gower made the following statement:

On April 5, 2012, the Township held a bond sale for the purchase of \$270,000.00 a principal amount, Special Emergency Notes of 2012 to fund the Revaluation.

Three proposals were received, opened and read. The accepted attached proposal "B" was from Colonial Bank, FSB with a net interest rate of 1.40%.

The rejected proposals were from First Elmer Investment Corp. with a net interest rate of 1.49% and Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. with a net interest rate of 2.4799%.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Mr. McFadden asked the Committee to approve a request by the Sally Stretch Keene Memorial Library for use of municipal property on May 19 between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm for a book sale & Flea Market/Yard Sale

Motion to approve: Deputy Mayor Moore                      Seconded: Committeeman Laufer

Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**VOUCHERS:** Mayor Young called for a motion to approve the voucher list

Motion: Committeeman Laufer                      Seconded: Deputy Mayor Moore

Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Mayor Young opened the meeting up for Public Comment.

Daniel Fischer, 513 Ridge Road, asked the Committee to review the condition of the ditches on Emmons Road. Mr. Fischer also said he was planning to hire a contractor to clean the ditches. Mr. Morris asked the Mayor to limit any response due to the fact that Mr. Fischer has hired an attorney on this matter. Mayor Young asked Mr. Fischer to have his attorney speak directly with Mr. Morris.

There being no other comments, Mayor Young closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Resolution 2012-57

Resolution of the Township of Southampton to Enter into Executive Session

Motion: Deputy Mayor Moore                      Seconded: Committeeman Minster

Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

Return from Executive Session at 8:57 having discussed several tax appeals, litigation and possible land acquisition.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the Committee, Mayor Young asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn: Committeeman Budd

Seconded: Committeeman Minster

Roll call vote: Committeeman Budd yes, Committeeman Laufer yes, Committeeman Minster yes, Deputy Mayor Moore yes, Mayor Young yes

Respectfully Submitted

Michael E. McFadden, RMC  
Municipal Clerk/Administrator