

SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
Regular Meeting
October 21, 2014 at 8 p.m.

The Regular meeting of the Southampton Township Committee was held on October 21, 2014 at the Robert L. Thompson Building, 5 Retreat Road, Southampton, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by Mayor James Young at 8:00 PM and followed by a salute to the Flag of the United State of America.

A roll call confirmed those Committee members who were present, which included Committeeman Ronald Heston, Committeeman William Raftery, Committeewoman Elizabeth Rossell, Deputy Mayor Latham Tiver, 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.

MINUTES: Regular Meeting & Executive September 16, 2014
Motion: Heston, Seconded: Rossell
Roll Call: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Young voted in the affirmative.
Tiver abstained.

ORDINANCES: First Reading

Ordinance No. 2014-24

An Ordinance Refunding Bond Ordinance Providing for the Refunding of the Township's Outstanding Callable: (1) General Obligation Bonds, Series 2001, Dated October 1, 2001; and (11) General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006, Dated July 27, 2006; Authorizing the Issuance of Up To \$7,000,000 of General Obligation Refunding Bonds of the Township of Southampton, County of Burlington, New Jersey, To Finance the Costs Thereof; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants In Connection Therewith; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in connection with the Foregoing

Motion to adopt: Heston Seconded: Tiver
Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

Resolutions

2014-106

A Resolution of the Township of Southampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, Appointing Municipal Prosecutor For Unexpired Term

Motion to adopt: Rossell Seconded: Raftery

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-107

A Resolution Authorizing the Township of Southampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Change Order for 2013 NJ DOT Municipal Aid Program for Holly Blvd Improvements

Motion to adopt: Tiver Seconded: Raftery

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-108

A Resolution Appointing a Financial Advisor For Refunding Bond Obligations

Motion to adopt: Raftery Seconded: Heston

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-109

Resolution of the Township of Southampton Authorizing Waiver of Taxes for Leisuretown Association for Properties Owned & Utilized As Open Space And/OR Community Property

Motion to adopt: Heston Seconded: Rossell

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-110

Resolution of the Township of Southampton As Recommended by the Tax Assessor Authorizing the Tax Collection to Make Certain Adjustments to Records and Accounts

Motion to adopt: Tiver Seconded: Heston

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-111

Resolution of Support from Local Governing Body Authorizing the Sustainable Jersey Grant Application

Motion to adopt: Rossell Seconded: Raftery

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-112

Resolution of Support from Local Governing Body Authorizing the State Farm Grant Application

Motion to adopt: Heston Seconded: Tiver

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-113

Resolution of Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute A Grant Contract with the NJDOT for the 2015 Leisuretown Pedestrian Accessibility -00474 Project

Motion to adopt: Rossell Seconded: Raftery

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-114

Resolution Designating Depository for Its Monies Known as A Cash Management Plan

Motion to adopt: Heston Seconded: Raftery

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-115

Resolution of Support from the Local Governing Body Authorizing the Grant Agreement for the 2009 Community Wildfire Protection Plan

Motion to adopt: Rossell Seconded: Raftery

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-116

Resolution Providing for the Insertion of A Special Item of Revenue In The Budget of Any Municipality Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (Chapter 159, P.L. 1948 as Amended)

Motion to adopt: Raftery Seconded: Tiver

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-117

Resolution Entering A Shared Service Agreement for Crossing Guard Services Between Southampton Township and Southampton Township School District

Motion to Add: Raftery Seconded: Tiver

All were in favor

Motion to adopt: Heston Seconded: Tiver

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

2014-118

Resolution to Approve the Liquor License Renewal for Red Lion Diner for 2014-2015

Motion to Add: Heston Seconded: Raftery

All were in favor

Motion to adopt: Heston Seconded: Tiver

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

Motion to adopt: Heston Seconded: Rossell

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor Young requested Ms. Hoffman to send a letter to NJ American Water asking about the fire hydrants in the Township being inspected and operable. Also, he attended the First Baptist Church 180 year celebration. There was a meeting between the Governor's office and Ms. Hoffman. The Governor's office got back to him today and the tree trimming along Route 70 would be taken care of. They are working on the permit for the moratorium placed on the Medicare Permits for Hampton Lakes. Hampton Lakes did receive their permit for Blue Cross/Blue Shield. He reminded everyone of the Tree Lighting ceremony will be December 5 and the Christmas Concert will be on December 13th at 7:00 PM. He attended the Vincent Fire Company open house and acceptance of the fire truck. All of the Committee members were invited and those that attended road on the new truck to the fire house. He was able to blow the siren.

Committeewoman Rossell informed the public of the past months events she attended. On November 19 from 6:00 to 7:00 PM the Green Team will be hosting a retitling presentation. For up to date events please see the Township website calendar.

Committeeman Tiver announced the award of the Recreation Grant from the County for the soccer fields in the amount of \$88,000. He attended the Vincent Fire Company open house and acceptance of the fire truck. It was very well received and there were members and retired members and members from other fire departments.

Committeeman Heston stated he attended the fire departments event as well. It was a pleasure and a lot of fun. There were many years of experience. The department transferred the water from the old pumper to the new. He further stated about the Townships Best Practices checklist score and he was proud to announce the Township would not be losing any State funding. The Township is well run and financially sound. He also attended the school board meeting and learned that the round of funding the voters approved would be the last round of funding for Generators/HVAC improvements.

CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

The Township received notification from Sustainable NJ the Township has been awarded the Silver Level

Request from Central Lodge #44 F & AM to use Old Town Hall on Saturday, November 8th from 12 PM to 5 PM to distribute cheese cakes from their sale being held in October.

Motion to approve: Tiver Seconded: Raftery

All were in favor

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mayor Young opened the meeting to the public.

Joe Perretta, 12 Cotherstone Drive, inquired about his request and his neighbors to waive the three year moratorium for road openings that are not emergencies so he and his neighbor could tie into the gas line. The Committee stated they would send out letters polling the residents who do not have gas.

Evie Dougherty, Leisuretown, stated one month ago the Committee discussed outsourcing the Construction office and she feels this would be a detriment to the Township. She further inquired about the waiver of taxes for Leisuretown. She requested the minutes and agendas be updated on the website for planning and zoning. And inquired about the minutes for October being approved and the Mayor's comments being left out and stated they should be included. In Addition she inquired about the Committee having caucus meetings like they do in Cherry Hill where she used to live. Mayor Young stated he didn't see the need for a caucus session especially in all the 12 years that she has lived here there has not been such a meeting.

Pat Tophan, New Road, presented the Committee with photos of trucks that are frequently going up and down New Road and the issues with each one. She showed a map that if the trucks would use Route 70 entrance in lieu of Route 206 the impact to the residents and homes would be far less of an impact. The Committee stated a letter would be sent to Allied requesting them to direct trucks to Route 70. She further asked about the hours of operation and the Township ordinance. The Committee stated the Township would look into the matter.

Paulie Wenger, Venturing Crew 31, B.S.A, requested the use of the Township Building for a fund raiser for the troop on November 8 with a rain date of November 15.
Motion to approve: Raftery Seconded: Heston
All were in favor

No one else from the public wishing to be heard the public portion was closed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 8:58 PM

Resolution 2014-119

Resolution Authorizing Executive Session to discuss litigation, land negotiation, shared services and COAH. No formal action will be taken.

Motion to adopt: Heston Seconded: Rossell

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

ADJOURNMENT: 11:14 PM

Motion to adopt: Heston Seconded: Rossell

Roll call vote: Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Tiver, Young voted in the affirmative

Respectfully,

Kathleen D. Hoffman, RMC
Township Administrator/Clerk