

SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES June 20, 2017 AT 8:00 P.M.

The Regular meeting of the Southampton Township Committee was held on June 20, 2017 at the Robert L. Thompson Building, 5 Retreat Road, Southampton, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by Mayor James Young at 8:15 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 Deputy Mayor William Raftery, Committeeman Ronald Heston, Committeewoman Elizabeth Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, 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 Session Meeting Minutes from May 16, 2017

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeeman Mikulski seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Burlington County Animal Shelter – People for Animals – Jane Guillaume presented the TNR Program. Burlington County Animal Shelter became a partner with the TNR. After the presentation Ms. Guillaume explained the differences between Southampton’s existing ordinance and the one she is recommending to townships that would enable the Townships to partner together for feral cats within their community. Ms. Guillaume then requested the Township Committee to consider adopting changes to the township’s existing ordinance regarding feral cats. A copy of the sample ordinance with the changes was distributed.

ORDINANCES:

Second Reading Ordinance 2017-3

An Ordinance to Amend & Supplement Ordinance 2015-10 Entitled “An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 2014-4, 1982-1; 1977-2 Entitled An Ordinance to Establish Salaries for Various Officials And Employees of the Township of Southampton in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, and Regulating the Manner of Paying the Same.

Public: No comments from the public

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeeman Mikulski seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery,

Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Ordinance 2017-4

Bond Ordinance Providing for the Reconstruction and/or Repaving of Various Roads in the Township of Southampton, County of Burlington, New Jersey: Appropriating the Sum of 2,900,000 Therefor; Authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the Township of Southampton, County of Burlington, New Jersey, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Up to \$2,755,000; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection With the Foregoing

Public: No comments from the public

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Committeewoman Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

First Reading

Ordinance 2017-5

Amending the Township Code to Prohibit the Use of Recreational Vehicles As Living Quarters

Committeewoman Rossell made a motion to approve. Deputy Mayor Raftery seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 2017-64

A Resolution Renewing Certain Alcoholic Beverage Licenses for the License Year 2017-2018

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Deputy Mayor Raftery seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2017-65

A Resolution Approving Certain Kennel License Application in Southampton Township for the Period of July 1, 2017 to June 31, 2018 as amended. Bedlam Kennel should be on the resolution and approved. Cedar Lane should not be included on the resolution and removed. They do not have Board of Health approval. Both Kennels are owned by the same person.

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve as amended. Committeewoman Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2017-66

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)

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeeman Mikulski seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Consent Agenda 2017-67 through 2017-69

Resolution 2017-67

Resolution(s) of the Township of Southampton Making Certain Further Adjustments in the Tax Collector's Records and Accounts

Resolution 2017-68

Resolution of the Township of Southampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey Making Certain Further Adjustments in the Tax Collector's Records and Accounts

Resolution 2017-69

Resolution of the Township of Southampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey Making Certain Further Adjustments in the Tax Collector's Records and Accounts

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeewoman Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2017-70

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) (196 Hawkins Road)

Committeewoman Rossell made a motion to approve. Committeeman Mikulski seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2017-71

Resolution Rejecting Bids for Pedestrian Infrastructure Upgrades and Authorizing the Re-Bid of the Same

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeeman Mikulski seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2017-72

Resolution of the Township of Southampton, Awarding a Contract for a Fireworks Display on July 8, 2017 with a Rain Date of July 9, 2017 to Pyrotecnico Fireworks

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Committeeman Heston seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2017-73

Resolution to Rescind Resolution 2012-76 Titled Resolution Authorizing the Creation of a Cash Drawer for the Southampton Township Municipal Assessor

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeewoman Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2017-74

Resolution Authorizing Award of Professional Engineering Services for the Resurfacing of Newbolds Corner Road Project

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Deputy Mayor Raftery seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2017-75

Resolution Authorizing Award of Professional Engineering Services for the Construction Management and Inspection for the Pedestrian Infrastructure Upgrades (Access & Safety) Campus-Schools 1,2, 3 FAP-2014-Southampton Township-02335 Federal Project No. TAP-0681 (300) Construction-NJDOT Job No. 573319 Project

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeewoman Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2017-76

Resolution of the Township of Southampton Adopting Salaries in Accordance with the Township Salary Ordinance

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Deputy Mayor Raftery seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2017-77

Resolution of the Township of Southampton, Awarding a Contract for 2016 CDBG Sidewalk Improvements, Stagecoach Road Phase II

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Committeewoman Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

Resolution 2017-78

Resolution of the Township of Southampton, Awarding a Contract for 20170002 Pedestrian Infrastructure Upgrades (SRTS)

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Committeewoman Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve. Deputy Mayor Raftery seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery,

Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

Central Lodge #44 request for Town Hall – Saturday, 9/30/2017 and 10/28/2017 Hoagie Sale

Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Committeewoman Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative.

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE:

Mayor Young announced Elizabeth Rossell is Citizen of the Year for Southampton Township at the annual Pine Barrens Festival and will be honored at the Southampton Township night. Deputy Mayor stated that it was well deserved. Mayor mentioned the concerts start July 5, fireworks on July 8 which is being sponsored at no cost to the tax payers.

Committeewoman Rossell mentioned the summer concerts, the senior graduation, Memorial Day parade, a shout out to the Shade Tree Advisory Board who planted 10 trees within the township. She also gave a shout out to Tranquility development for becoming a Fire Wise Community. She congratulated the mayor on winning the primary.

Committeeman Mikulski gave a shout out to the Memorial Day Parade and commented how great it was.

Committeeman Heston also mentioned the parade which has been running for 139 consecutive years, but there was an illegal driver on Main Street who made his way into the parade while the parade was going on. He made him sit in someone's driveway until the parade was over. The Boy Scout Car show is rescheduled to June 24. He stated he prepared a letter to the Governor for turn arrows to be added to the traffic signal at the intersection of Route 206, Main Street and Retreat Road for anyone who would like to have one or for their neighbors to send to the Governor. Congratulations to Mrs. Rossell for her being the Citizen of the Year.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Members of the public are invited to submit comments during the public comment portion of this meeting. The Committee, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, will not publicly discuss personnel matters and may choose not to respond to comments made by members of the public during this portion of the meeting; however, the Committee will give all comments appropriate consideration and will refer all individual complaints to the Township Administrator or appropriate Township Representative for resolution. Each citizen will be allotted up to three (3) minutes to speak, in order to allow everyone an opportunity to express their opinions or concerns.

Tom Jordan who lives on Main Street –there was an accident last night and someone hit his car as a result of the speed hump being in front of his house. He inquired about the status of the removal of the speed humps in front of his house. Mayor Young stated the cost would be around \$30,000.00. Mr. Jordan asked when they would be removed. Mayor Young stated the Township would not be covering that cost. At the

Jim Kelly, Leisuretownt, thanked the Committee for Sherwood Lane being on the list of road resurfacing.

Brian Pshar, 99 Huntington Drive, inquired about the problem with his driveway apron and water ponding as a result of the Pinelands Water Company road patch during a water main repair. Mayor Young stated he would have all parties involved meet at the location.

Evie Doherty, Leisuretowne, commented on Pinelands Water Company/Middlesex Water Company complained about the latest water bills received and the unfair and what she considers to be flawed in the way the Company configured the calculations since there was a rate hike. She contacted the BPU and suggested others do the same and not pay their bill until the Company calculates the bills correctly and sends out new bills.

Deputy Chief from Vincent Fire Department reported on calls, training, drills and events.

Jim Heffernan commented further on the presentation about the signs and symptoms of Lyme disease. Further focus was on Stage 1 treatment and why it is important to get treated quickly.

Maureen Boldurian, Friendship Road, inquired about when Friendship will be graded.

Jamil Ahmend has a business on used car lot business on Route 38. He is concerned because he has lost two (2) cars on two (2) separate occasions, they were stolen. He has put up gates and blockades. He has cameras. They cut the lock. He is requesting additional drive by from the police and assistance from the Township. He wanted others to be aware too. Mayor Young stated he should contact his insurance company to see if they do evaluations of the security of the business and offer suggestions to improve the security at the business.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 9:11 PM

2017-79 Resolution for Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters the public is excluded. Legal advice, litigation and contract negotiations involving the Old Telephone Building and personnel.

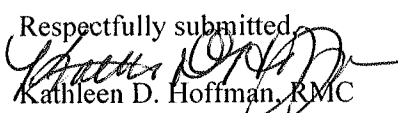
Mikulski made a motion to approve. Rossell seconded the motion. All were in favor. Action may be taken.

Let the record reflect the Committee has returned to the regularly scheduled meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:50 PM

Heston made motion to adjourn the meeting. Rossell seconded the motion. Heston, Raftery, Rossell, Mikulski and Young voted in the affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,


Kathleen D. Hoffman, RMC
Township Administrator/Clerk