

SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES
July 18, 2017 AT 8:00 P.M.

The Regular meeting of the Southampton Township Committee was held on July 18, 2017 at the Robert L. Thompson Building, 5 Retreat Road, Southampton, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by Mayor James Young at 8:05 PM 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 Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, and Mayor James F. Young, Sr.

The Deputy Township Clerk read the following statement: Notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by: Posting a copy of the Annual Meeting Schedule on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex and emailing a copy to the Central Record, Burlington County Times, and Courier Post, and all those requesting copies on January 6, 2017; Posting a copy of the agenda on the bulletin board at the Municipal Complex; Filing a copy of the agenda in the office of the Township Clerk at the Municipal Complex; Forwarding a copy of the agenda to The Central Record, Burlington County Times, and Courier Post.; Forwarding a copy of the agenda to each person who has requested copies of the regular meeting schedule. All of the above posting, filing and mailing have taken place on the 14th day of July, 2017.

MINUTES:

Regular Session Meeting and Executive Minutes from June 20, 2017

Committeeman Heston made a motion to approve and 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:

The Committee noted there was a note sale held on July 10, 2017 and the results were read on the record.

ORDINANCES:

Second Reading

Ordinance 2017-5

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

Mayor Young opened the meeting to the public. No one from the public wishing to be heard the public portion was closed.

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:

Consent Agenda 2017-80 through 2017-83

Resolution 2017-80

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

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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 2017-84

Resolution Acknowledging and Accepting Settlement/Release of Property Damage Only and Authorizing the Township Clerk and Mayor to Sign Said Release

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.

Resolution 2017-85

Resolution Acknowledging Acceptance of 2016 Audit

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

Resolution 2017-86

Resolution Authorizing the Award of Professional Engineering Services for Good Farm Recreation Complex

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.

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

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.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Deputy Mayor Raftery and Committeeman Heston briefed the Committee and Public on the status of the Public Works and Good Farm projects. Further discussion took place about the need for vehicles for the public works department.

Deputy Mayor Raftery stated that he has long thought that one of the treasures the town has is Brown Meadow and would like to see a committee to determine the best use for the meadow that the public can enjoy.

Committeewoman Rossell stated the Boy Scouts are having their Car Show again on August 5th and the Vincent Fire Company is having their bingo on August 4th.

Committeeman Mikulski stated before the meeting started, it was great to see the kids outside playing basketball, and he heard good things about the fireworks even though it rained. The Mayor stated it didn't cost the Township anything, it was all done by donations. The Mayor thanked the fire company and the emergency squad who were out in the rain, too. They all did a good job. And the State Police we hired to maintain the crowd - they all did a great job! In addition Mayor Young stated that tomorrow night we have a concert – The Denny O' Band.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Barry Pratt – Chief of the Vincent Fire Company reported on the building improvements, monthly activities and responses for the Fire Department. In particular Mr. Pratt noted the concrete flooring in our fire house has taken a beating over the past 53 years due to the building settling and fire apparatus becoming much larger than ever expected. With the assistance from a caring local business owner, who the Vincent Fire Company would like to publically thank Howard Ackerman, Chris Roswell and their team of Permafloer located on Ridge Road in Southampton for their generous and philanthropic work in restoring the fire house floor over the course of several days last week. The new epoxy coating will protect it over the course of the next 100 years.

CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

Central Lodge #44 – Request for use of Municipal Parking lot, November 25, 2017 from 8:00 am to 11:00 p.m.

Motion Committeeman Mikulski made a motion to approve. Committeewoman Rossell seconded the motion. At the call of the roll Committeeman Heston abstained. Deputy

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 8:33p.m.

Resolution Executive Session No. 2017-87-Authorizing Executive Session


For the purpose of discussing personnel contract negotiations. Do not expect any formal action to be taken.

Let the record reflect that the Committee returned to the open meeting session at 8:47 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Committee Heston made a motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. and Committeeman Mikulski seconded. Roll Call: Committeeman Heston, Deputy Mayor Raftery, Committeewoman Rossell, Committeeman Mikulski, Mayor Young all voted in the affirmative

Respectfully submitted,



Kathleen D. Hoffman, RMC
Township Administrator/Clerk