

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of East Hanover held on Monday, March 3, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 411 Ridgedale Avenue, East Hanover, New Jersey.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

Present: Councilmembers Peluso, Jandoli, Martorelli, Council President DeMaio, and Mayor Pannullo

Also Present: Joseph Tempesta, Jr., Administrator
Matthew O'Donnell, Township Attorney
Kenneth Huelbig, Chief Financial Officer
Steven Wielkotz, Township Auditor
Darlene Green, Township Planner
Paula A. Massaro, Township Clerk

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilwoman Jandoli gave the Invocation.

The Mayor read the Public Announcement in which he stated that the meeting had been advertised, the press notified, and the notice posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building.

Adoption of Minutes: **February 10, 2014**

Motion by Councilwoman Jandoli, seconded by Councilman Martorelli to adopt the said minutes.

Ayes: Councilmembers Peluso, Jandoli, Martorelli, Council President DeMaio, and Mayor Pannullo

PRESENTATION: East Hanover Middle School Wrestling Team

Mayor Pannullo introduced Michael Colasurdo, coach of the Middle School Wrestling Team, who presented Certificates of Achievement to the wrestlers for attaining the 2013–2014 Morris County Team Champions.

BUDGET DISCUSSION: Department Heads

The following department heads were present to address any questions or concerns from the Council in regard to their respective budget.

1. Tom Pershouse, Construction Department
2. Carlo DiLizia, Health Department
3. Bruce Allen, Superintendent of Public Utilities
4. Marc Macaluso, Superintendent of Public Works
5. Linda Lurz, Superintendent of Recreation

6. Carmine Davino, Fire Chief
7. John Centanni, Emergency Management Coordinator
8. Stanley Hansen, Chief of Police

The department heads were fully satisfied with their budget allocations; each department received everything they would need in order to operate their departments efficiently and effectively.

Mr. Tempesta gave a brief overview of the budget process. He stated that the budget would be introduced at the April 14th meeting and public hearing would be conducted at the May meeting.

Mayor Pannullo said that this was an excellent and responsible budget; emphasizing that all public services would be maintained. He indicated that the increase would be about \$50 per year for the homeowner. The Administrator clearly stated that two major additions to the budget were \$150,000 due to the severe winter storms and \$2,750,000 debt service for replacement of the Melanie Lane Bridge, of which the Township would receive a state grant of \$1,000,000.

The Mayor called for a recess at 8:40 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 8:45 P.M.

Present: Councilmembers Peluso, Jandoli, Martorelli, Council President DeMaio, and Mayor Pannullo

OLD BUSINESS:

**Public Hearing: Ordinance No. 1-2014~ Bond Ordinance Appropriating \$2,750,000
Providing for the Replacement of Melanie Lane Bridge**

The Clerk announced that she had Ordinance No. 1-2014, entitled "*BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF MELANIE LANE BRIDGE IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST HANOVER, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$2,750,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,750,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.*"

The Mayor stated they would now hold a public hearing on Ordinance No. 1-2014.

Motion by Council President DeMaio, seconded by Councilwoman Jandoli that the public hearing be closed.

Ayes: Councilmembers Peluso, Jandoli, Martorelli, Council President DeMaio, and Mayor Pannullo

Motion by Councilman Martorelli, seconded by Council President DeMaio that Ordinance No. 1-2014 be adopted on second and final reading.

Ayes: Councilmembers Peluso, Jandoli, Martorelli, Council President DeMaio, and Mayor Pannullo

The Mayor advised that Ordinance No. 1-2014 has been duly adopted and a notice of same shall be published according to law.

Public Hearing: Ordinance No. 2-2014~ Amend Chapter 95, Land Use and Zoning, to Add New Section 95-65.2. Payment in Lieu Fees for Affordable Housing

The Clerk announced that she had Ordinance No. 2-2014, entitled “*AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 95, LAND USE AND ZONING, ARTICLE VII, ZONING, TO ADD A NEW SECTION § 95-65.2. PAYMENT IN LIEU FEES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST HANOVER CODE.*”

Darlene Green, Township Planner, presented an overview of the ordinance, which was first in the recodification process for Chapter 95, Land Use and Zoning. Essentially, this ordinance would provide developers the option of building affordable units on site or they can make a payment in lieu of constructing the units. Ms. Green further advised that this would only apply to residential zones, and the fee established by COAH was based on the region in which a municipality was located. East Hanover’s fee was set at \$148,683 for each affordable unit or fraction thereof.

The Mayor stated they would now hold a public hearing on Ordinance No. 2-2014.

Motion by Councilman Martorelli, seconded by Council President DeMaio, that the public hearing be closed.

Ayes: Councilmembers Peluso, Jandoli, Martorelli, Council President DeMaio, and Mayor Pannullo

Motion by Council President DeMaio, seconded by Councilman Peluso that Ordinance No. 2-2014 be adopted on second and final reading.

Ayes: Councilmembers Peluso, Jandoli, Martorelli, Council President DeMaio, and Mayor Pannullo

The Mayor advised that Ordinance No. 2-2014 has been duly adopted and a notice of same shall be published according to law.

PUBLIC INPUT:

No public input.

Motion by Council President DeMaio, seconded by Councilman Martorelli to close public input.

Ayes: Councilmembers Peluso, Jandoli, Martorelli, Council President DeMaio, and Mayor Pannullo

COUNCIL INPUT:

Councilman Peluso thanked the department heads for doing a great job respective to their departmental budgets. He announced that the Morristown St. Patrick's Day Parade would be held on Saturday, March 15th.

Councilwoman Jandoli congratulated the Middle School Wrestling Team and also wished good luck to the five high school students that would be attending the State Wrestling Tournament this weekend.

Councilman Martorelli likewise congratulated the Middle School wrestlers as well as the coaches.

Council President DeMaio commented on the recodification process of revisions to Chapter 95, Land Use and Zoning. He announced that several new ordinances would be on the April 14th agenda and thanked residents for their patience and understanding throughout this process. Also, Council President was pleased to attend the sensational Hanover Park High School play "Grease."

Mayor Pannullo reported that a meeting would be held on March 10th at Hanover Park High School Cafeteria from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. for residents and businesses in connection with reconstruction of the Rt. 10 Bridge bordering East Hanover and Livingston. The Mayor further advised that the bridge on Eagle Rock Avenue was slated for reconstruction in the near future.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been referred to members of the Township Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Township Council with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council action and placed on the regular agenda under new business.

- 62a-2014- Resolution Re: RL:1746/St. Joseph Church
- 62b-2014- Resolution Re: RL:1747/St. Joseph Church
- 62c-2014- Resolution Re: RL:1748/Hanover Park Hornets Diamond Club
- 62d-2014- Resolution Re: RL:1749/Hanover Park Hornets Diamond Club
- 63 -2014- Resolution Re: Tax Sale Redemption (15 Lincoln Street)
- 64 -2014- Resolution Re: Transfer of Budget Appropriation Reserves
- 66 -2014- Resolution Re: Approving the 2014 Budget of the EH Community Partnership and Establishing Date for a Public Hearing
- 67 -2014- Resolution Re: Confirming Mayor's Appointment of Members to EH Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) of OEM

68 -2014- Resolution Re: Authorize Submission of EH Municipal Alliance Grant to Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

Motion by Councilman Martorelli, seconded by Council President DeMaio to adopt the aforementioned resolutions.

Ayes: Councilmembers Peluso, Jandoli, Martorelli, Council President DeMaio, and Mayor Pannullo

COMMUNICATIONS & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

Resolution Re: Closed Session

No closed session was held.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Motion by Council President DeMaio, seconded by Councilman Martorelli to pay bills included in the attached claim list submitted by the Chief Financial Officer.

Ayes: Councilmembers Peluso, Jandoli, Martorelli, Council President DeMaio, and Mayor Pannullo

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Councilman Peluso, seconded by Councilwoman Jandoli to adjourn meeting.

Ayes: Councilmembers Peluso, Jandoli, Martorelli, Council President DeMaio, and Mayor Pannullo

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula A. Massaro
Township Clerk