

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of East Hanover held on Monday, August 4, 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
Felicia A. McDonald, Deputy Township Clerk

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilman Martorelli 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: **May 12, June 9, and July 1, 2014**

Motion by Council President DeMaio, seconded by Councilman Peluso to adopt the said minutes.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

None

PUBLIC INPUT:

1. William Salemme, 26 Smithfield Road, commended Police Officer Justin Donnard, who was off duty when he responded to a vehicle that flipped over on Ridgedale Avenue. He said that the officer climbed into the vehicle ensuring that the car and driver were intact.

2. John Scalera, proprietor of Master Tree, addressed an incident when Councilman Peluso came to his place of business at 287 Ridgedale Avenue to apprise him of numerous complaints regarding the illegal use of the property. He said that similar instances have occurred in the past; however, Mr. Scalera expressed that this time he felt threatened by Councilman Peluso because of his forceful demeanor. Furthermore, Mr. Scalera questioned the legality of Councilman Peluso renting space for parking commercial trucks on the property at 761 Ridgedale Avenue, which was owned by Clem Pizzi. Subsequent to the incident, Mr. Scalera said that Councilman Peluso called to inform him that he spoke to the Zoning Official and Township Engineer and took care of everything and that he was no longer in violation.

Councilman Peluso responded to Mr. Scalera's account of his visit. He stated that Mr. Scalera did not have all the facts accurate and was just listening to false rumors through the "grape vine," which were not always true. He mentioned that he had spoken with the Zoning Official and was informed that the Township Engineer was looking into the complaints. Councilman Peluso also commented on the validity to Mr. Scalera's remark that Council President DeMaio was also inquiring about his property, and he stated this was false.

Council President DeMaio was obviously disturbed by this accusation and clearly stated for the record that he never said anything negative about Mr. Scalera, his property, or his business.

The Mayor interjected to end the dispute between the Councilman and Mr. Scalera and recommended that Mr. Scalera file a complaint with the Zoning Official. In addition, the Township Attorney advised Mr. Scalera that if he felt abuse of office was made or if he felt threatened, he should file a report with the County Prosecutor's Office.

Motion by Councilwoman Jandoli, seconded by Councilman Peluso to close public input.

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

COUNCIL INPUT:

Councilman Peluso stated that he was delighted to see the spectacular turnout for the concerts in the park on Tuesday evenings. He congratulated East Hanover Hurricane's Swim Team on a successful season.

Councilwoman Jandoli echoed congratulations to the Hurricane's Swim Team. She urged residents to patronize the Farmers Market at Lurker Park on Mondays.

Councilman Martorelli apologized for not being able to attend the Hurricane's end of season celebration. He also encouraged residents to attend the concerts at Lurker Park.

Council President DeMaio likewise congratulated the East Hanover Swim Team. He also praised the police officer that responded to the car accident on Ridgedale Avenue.

Mayor Pannullo gave an update on the Route 10 Bridge construction. He especially thanked the residents for their patience during the construction of multiple bridges throughout the Township. He acknowledged the Hurricane's Swim Team on a successful season. Lastly, the Mayor wished the Hanover Park Regional High School Football Team good luck in their upcoming season.

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.

Motion by Councilwoman Jandoli, seconded by Council President DeMaio to add Resolution No. 127-2014 to the agenda.

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

- 110a-2014- Resolution Re: RL:1768/Kiwanis Club of Livingston New Jersey Fdn., Inc.
- 110b-2014- Resolution Re: RL:1769/Kiwanis Club of Livingston New Jersey Fdn., Inc.
- 110c-2014- Resolution Re: RL:1770/K of C #1 New Jersey Chapter
- 110d-2014- Resolution Re: RL:1771/Parent Faculty Association of Mt. St. Dominic Academy
- 110e-2014- Resolution Re: RL:1772/Montville Educational Fdn
- 110f-2014- Resolution Re: RL:1773/PBA Local #227 East Hanover Civic Association
- 111 -2014- Resolution Re: Governing Body Certification of 2013 Annual Audit
- 112 -2014- Resolution Re: Approve Corrective Action Plan of 2013 Audit
- 113 -2014- Resolution Re: Award of Contract to Beyer Ford LLC for a 5-7 Yard Dump Truck
- 114 -2014- Resolution Re: Shared Services Agreement with the East Hanover Board of Education for the Provision of Nursing Services at St. Rose of Lima Academy
- 115 -2014- Resolution Re: Declaring the Township of East Hanover a Stigma Free Town Associated with Mental Illness
- 116 -2014- Resolution Re: Change in Custodian of Township Clerk Petty Cash Fund
- 117 -2014- Resolution Re: Change in Custodian of Health Department Petty Cash Fund
- 118 -2014- Resolution Re: Change in Custodian of Fire Department Petty Cash Fund
- 119 -2014- Resolution Re: Change in Custodian of Fire Prevention Petty Cash Fund
- 120 -2014- Resolution Re: Change in Custodian of Office of Emergency Management Petty Cash Fund
- 121 -2014- Resolution Re: Change in Custodian of Township Pool Petty Cash Fund
- 122 -2014- Resolution Re: Rescinding Municipal Court Petty Cash Fund
- 123 -2014- Resolution Re: Rescinding East Hanover Welfare Petty Cash Fund
- 124 -2014- Resolution Re: Refund for Overpayment of Taxes (30 Lucianna Lane)
- 125 -2014- Resolution Re: Refund for Overpayment of Taxes (10 Daniel Drive)
- 126 -2014- Resolution Re: Bond Reduction for K&A Realty, LLC and G&A Eagle Rock, LLC D/B/A Hanover Manor Catering Hall
- 127 -2014- Resolution Re: Participation in the Morris County Community Development and Home Program and Authorize Execution of a Cooperation Agreement with the County of Morris

Motion by Councilwoman Jandoli, seconded by Councilman Peluso to adopt the aforementioned resolutions.

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

COMMUNICATIONS & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Introduction: Ordinance No. 13-2014~ Refunding Bond Ordinance \$5,500,000

The Clerk announced that she had Ordinance No. 13-2014, entitled “*REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST HANOVER, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF ALL OR A PORTION OF CERTAIN GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2007, APPROPRIATING \$5,500,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF REFUNDING BONDS IN ONE OR MORE SERIES IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT EXCEEDING \$5,500,000 FOR FINANCING THE COST THEREOF.*”

Motion by Councilwoman Jandoli, seconded by Council President DeMaio that Ordinance No. 13-2014 be introduced by title, adopted on first reading, placed on file in the Clerk’s office, and set down for public hearing on September 8, 2014.

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

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 Council President DeMaio, seconded by Councilman Martorelli to adjourn meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Felicia A. McDonald
Deputy Township Clerk

Minutes Adopted: September 2, 2014