

MEETING MINUTES

TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN WORKSHOP/CAUCUS AGENDA April 23, 2009 – 7:00 pm

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THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT.

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1. Roll Call Mayor Kraft X Deputy Mayor Reilly X
 Committeeman Lachawiec X

Also Present: Mr. Mosca X Mr. McGuckin X

2. Administrator's Report

- NJEIT Bond Ordinance – Clean Water and Drinking Water Projects

Administrator Mosca stated the 2nd Reading for the NJEIT Bond Ordinance is on the agenda tonight. It is for the stimulus program for the clean water and drinking water projects.

3. Deputy Mayor's Report – Dick Reilly

- Arbor Day Celebration at Frederic A. Priff School
 - o Friday, April 24, 2009 at 10:00 am

Deputy Mayor Reilly stated there will be a planting of a tree and everyone is invited to participate in the celebration.

On Saturday, April 25 at 9:00am, the Municipal Alliance will be having a walk-a-thon, starting at Country Lane ending at Greenbriar. There will be water and snacks for participants.

- Martin Tellecamp – Full Time Plumbing Inspector
 - o Interlocal Agreement with Lacey Township

Mr. Tellecamp has finished his probation period and is now a full-time plumbing inspector.

Deputy Mayor Reilly stated this is another example how two communities can work together and get the services of two qualified individuals, both plumbing and electrical inspectors.

4. Committeeman's Report – Joseph Lachawiec

Committeeman Lachawiec inquired if the walk-a-thon will anticipate a large crowd and will there be adequate parking.

Deputy Mayor Reilly stated there is a new parking area at Country Lane that can accommodate 20-30 cars. A number of people will walk to the site.

5. Mr. McGuckin

Township Attorney McGuckin sent out an ordinance for information on the advisory council. There are no closed session items.

6. Mayor's Report – Robert Kraft
- Committee Assignments

Mayor Kraft stated there is not much change in Committee Assignments.

Deputy Mayor Reilly will be the liaison to Planning Board, Zoning Board, Construction Dept., Buildings & Grounds, Redevelopment, Environmental Commission and Municipal Alliance.

Committeeman Lachawiec will be the liaison to Revenue & Finance, Tax Collection, Tax Assessor, Road Dept., Utilities Dept., Bulkheads & Docks, Recreation and Founder's Day.

Mayor Kraft will be the liaison to the Administrator, Office of the Clerk, Police Dept., Fire Dept., First Aid, Emergency Management and Welfare.

Committeeman Lachawiec inquired what the expectations of the liaisons are.

Mayor Kraft stated Committeeman Lachawiec will communicate with the various boards and Department Heads in Revenue, Finance, Tax Collection, and Tax Assessment. If a resident had an issue with one of the employees it would be deferred to Committeeman Lachawiec. The liaison would be expected to give updates.

Township Administrator Mosca requested to meet with Committeeman Lachawiec regarding the bulkhead job at Bryant Road.

- Budget Introduction

Township Administrator Mosca stated the budget will be introduced tonight. There are no changes since the two previous budget meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion to open to the public was moved by Deputy Mayor Reilly, seconded by Committeeman Lachawiec. Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Reilly: Yes, Kraft: Yes.

Michele Rosen, 29 Bradley Beach Way, suggested the budget be published in the Asbury Park Press, the Press of Atlantic City and the Beacon. Ms. Rosen requested a resolution be added to tonight's agenda, setting up a special meeting strictly on the budget.

Ms. Rosen would like to know the Township Committee's position on the mortgage stabilization program that established funding to help people not go into foreclosure.

Committeeman Lachawiec supports that bill.

Mayor Kraft and Deputy Mayor Reilly do not know enough about the bill to have an opinion.

Ms. Rosen inquired if the Township Committee supports the Main Street Business Assistance Program, which offers grants to small businesses.

Mayor Kraft stated he does not know what that has to do with the Township of Ocean.

Ms. Rosen read the titles of five laws that passed the legislature in December, Mortgage Stabilization Act, Investing in NJ Business, which is grants for businesses to expand their economic flow of money, Main Street Businesses Program, Renewable Energy System Real Property Taxation Elimination and Family Benefits Act. Every one of these laws were a "no-vote" by the 9th Legislative team. Ms. Rosen requested a resolution expressing the disappointment the Township Committee has in the 9th Legislative.

Vincent Anepete, Clearwater Drive, inquired if the budget is posted on the website.

Township Clerk Ambrosio stated it will be available on the website tomorrow, after it is voted on tonight.

Mr. Anepete inquired if the township would expand the Committee to five members.

Mayor Kraft stated the Caucus/Agenda matters are being discussed right now.

Motion to close to the public was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Reilly. Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Reilly: Yes, Kraft: Yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to close Workshop/Caucus Agenda Meeting was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Reilly. Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Reilly: Yes, Kraft: Yes.

Signed and Submitted:

Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC
Township Clerk

Date