

MEETING MINUTES

TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN COUNTY OF OCEAN BUSINESS MEETING November 28, 2012

Call to Order

ROLL CALL: LACHAWIEC X WETTER X TREDY X

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STATEMENT: Pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, adequate notice of this meeting was properly provided by sending a copy of the Notice of Meeting to two newspapers, The Asbury Park Press and the Press of Atlantic City. The Notice was posted at the office of the Township Clerk

PUBLIC PORTION:

Motion to open Public Comment was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wetter.

Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

No public comment.

Motion to close Public Comment was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wetter.

Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

CONSENT AGENDA

The below listed items are considered to be routine by the Township Committee of the Township of Ocean and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately

Committeeman Lachawiec requested the following resolutions be removed from the consent agenda and be considered separately, 2012-354, 355, 356, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363 and 364.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION 2012-353

Resolution authorizing a shared service agreement with the County of Ocean for Solid Waste Monitoring Services associated with Superstorm Sandy

RESOLUTION 2012-357

Resolution permitting the Township of Ocean to allow Barnegat Township residents to participate in the Township of Ocean Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program

RESOLUTION 2012-358

Resolution designating the times associated with voluntary and mandatory evacuation along with reentry times into designated evacuation zone

RESOLUTION 2012-365a

Resolution support the Ocean County Freeholders requesting the Federal Government Reimburse 90% of costs associated with Hurricane Sandy

Motion to approve Resolutions 2012-353, 357, 358 and 365 was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wetter.

Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS CONSIDERED SEPARATELY

RESOLUTION 2012-354

Resolution authorizing the award of a state contract to AshBritt Environmental for Solid Waste Disposal Services associated with Superstorm Sandy

Township Administrator Breeden discussed after a certain period of time, the Township would have to contract with AshBritt Environmental, a state vendor to coordinate and provide solid waste collection services. With a storm the size of Sandy, FEMA allows a window of opportunity for local government to provide emergency cleanup work. The Township was allowed a two-week window effective Friday, November 16, 2012. The Township was advised that any additional collection of storm debris without coordinating through AshBritt would jeopardize the FEMA reimbursement for the collection disposal costs of the storm debris.

Committeeman Lachawiec inquired if there are other companies.

Township Clerk Ambrosio discussed that Ocean County recommended this company. The Township used AshBritt in a shared services contract with Ocean County. Ocean County will handle the billing and bill the Township with the final numbers. This procedure gets the Township the most money possible.

Committeeman Lachawiec inquired if the Township was notified verbally or in written form.

Township Clerk Ambrosio stated verbal at the Ocean County Debris meeting.

Committeeman Lachawiec requested letters from the County, State and Federal agencies stating the Township using AshBritt.

Township Administrator Breeden discussed AshBritt has a state contract which outlines their responsibilities and duties.

Township Administrator Breeden discussed this is not a general practice. This is an emergency. The Township was notified that AshBritt is working with the County. If the Township wants to work with the County, AshBritt will be the solid waste disposal service. AshBritt has to be used in order to maximize the FEMA reimbursement. If the Township does not use AshBritt, it jeopardizes the FEMA reimbursement regarding solid waste collection and disposal. Township Administrator Breeden recommends to the Township Committee that this resolution be approved.

Township Clerk Ambrosio discussed the shared services agreement with the County was put in the mailboxes of the Township Committee last week.

Motion to approve Resolution 2012-354 was moved by Deputy Mayor Wetter, seconded by Mayor Tredy.
Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

RESOLUTION 2012-355

Resolution awarding a Professional Service contract to The Louis Berger Group, Incorporated for Disaster Consultation Services associated with Superstorm Sandy

Township Administrator Breeden discussed the Louis Berger Group is working in conjunction with the AshBritt Environmental Group. The Louis Berger Group will provide the Township of Ocean and Barnegat consultation and guidance with regard to the FEMA public assistance process. This storm was huge in scope and magnitude and beyond the Township's capability and expertise without the guidance of a firm that has a division that specializes in nothing but FEMA reimbursements for local and state governments. Representatives from the Louis Berger Group are eager to start. The Township needs help in order to maximize reimbursement. The Township will get 75% of the cost back or 90% if the reimbursement rate is increased.

Motion to approve Resolution 2012-355 was moved by Deputy Mayor Wetter, seconded by Mayor Tredy.
Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

RESOLUTION 2012-356

Resolution authorizing a shared service agreement with the Township of Barnegat for use of the Temporary Waste Disposal Site located at the Waretown Recreation Lake area for disposal of storm debris

Township Administrator Breeden discussed the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has issued a temporary emergency permit for stockpiling storm debris. The Township of Barnegat was using the dock area. The DEP stated the dock area is unacceptable as it is in a flood plain and would not issue a permit. The second permit application was not approved as it was in the Pinelands. The Township of Barnegat is using the Waretown site. The Waretown site has been approved by the DEP. This resolution allows Barnegat to use the Waretown site. Waste from Barnegat and Waretown will be separated and accounted for separately.

Committeeman Lachawiec inquired if the DEP supplied documentation to permit use of the Waretown site.

Township Administrator Breeden discussed the Township does have documentation from the DEP.

Motion to approve Resolution 2012-356 was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wetter.

Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes.

RESOLUTION 2012-359

Resolution authorizing the execution of a shared service agreement with the Township of Barnegat for disaster related services for Superstorm Sandy (FEMA Disaster Number 4086)

Township Administrator Breeden discussed Resolutions 2012-359 and 360. FEMA representatives are from out of state and do not appreciate or understand the concept of shared services. These two resolutions authorize shared services with Barnegat for the shelter and disaster related services. It is a formality. These shared services agreements will be in effect as long as needed.

Motion to approve Resolution 2012-359 was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wetter.

Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

RESOLUTION 2012-360

Resolution authorizing the execution of a shared service agreement with the Barnegat Board of Education for disaster related services for Superstorm Sandy (FEMA Disaster Number 4086)

Township Administrator Breeden discussed this resolution is associated with the shelter.

Committeeman Lachawiec discussed the shelter had no electric for a few days. Shelters are required to have emergency generators to provide light and heat.

Township Administrator Breeden discussed the Brackman School shelter has a generator that powers only a certain area. The Brackman School needs to get a larger generator to power the entire structure.

Committeeman Lachawiec discussed that the Federal Government states that shelters must have provisions for pets and would like this agreement revised to include pets.

Mayor Tredy discussed that this agreement is only for Superstorm Sandy, which has already passed.

Motion to approve Resolution 2012-360 was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wetter.

Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

RESOLUTION 2012-361

Resolution authorizing T & M Associates to work along with The Louis Berger Group, Inc. for FEMA damage assessment reimbursement

Township Administrator Breeden discussed the Township of Ocean experienced a lot of damage along the bay front waterfront that will require restoration and replenishment. T&M Engineering will spearhead that effort and will work with the Louis Berger Group to inform FEMA and maximize the reimbursement.

Committeeman Lachawiec inquired why an engineer is needed to work with the Louis Berger Group.

Township Administrator Breeden discussed the Louis Berger Group will be focused on the FEMA public assistance paperwork, making sure it is completed correctly and includes all costs associated with the storm. Louis Berger would not be doing technical engineering work that T&M will be doing.

Motion to approve Resolution 2012-361 was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wetter.

Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

RESOLUTION 2012-362

Resolution authorizing the award of state contracts to vendors associated with Superstorm Sandy recovery efforts

Township Administrator Breeden stated this resolution is a formality. The state issued Local Finance Notice 2012-29, which lists state contractors that are associated with recovery work from Sandy. The Township is just recognizing that Local Finance Notice. It does not mean the Township will use those vendors or not.

Motion to approve Resolution 2012-362 was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Tredy.

Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

RESOLUTION 2012-363

Resolution acknowledging that the Township of Ocean is fiscally stable in aftermath of Superstorm Sandy

Township Administrator Breeden discussed this recognizes Local Finance Notice 2012-27, which outlines it is important to let the financial markets know that the Townships are taking the necessary steps to stabilize finances, specifically protecting life and property, timely debt payments, responding in a timely manner to any requests from bond rating agencies and notify state and county if the Township has fiscal problems. The Township is taking the necessary steps to protect its rating.

Committeeman Lachawiec inquired the total cost to the Township.

Township Administrator Breeden discussed an emergency appropriation was passed for \$735,000, which just covers overtime and disposal costs, a percentage of which will be reimbursed. That does not include the infrastructure repairs along the bay.

Motion to approve Resolution 2012-363 was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wetter.

Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

RESOLUTION 2012-364

Resolution authorizing the transfer of Ralston Reid from Police Dispatch to Public Works Temporary worker

Committeeman Lachawiec inquired if this transfer is temporary. Why is Mr. Reid being transferred.

Mayor Tredy stated it is a temporary worker. Mr. Reid will no longer be a police dispatcher.

Township Attorney Dasti stated the reason Mr. Reid is being transferred cannot be discussed at a public meeting. Mr. Reid will have to be RICE noticed in order to discuss it.

Township Administrator Breeden stated Mr. Reid was in a probation period and did not satisfy the probation period. The Township needed help in public works and Mr. Reid gladly accepted the assignment in public works.

Motion to approve Resolution 2012-364 was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wetter.

Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was moved by Committeeman Lachawiec, seconded by Deputy Mayor Wetter.
Roll Call: Lachawiec: Yes, Wetter: Yes, Tredy: Yes

Signed and Submitted:

Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC
Township Clerk

Date