

April 23, 2013
Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Evesham Township Council was called to order by Mayor Brown at 6:33p.m. The meeting was held in the Meeting Room of the Evesham Township Municipal Complex at 984 Tuckerton Road, Marlton, NJ 08053.

Flag Salute.

Mayor Brown requested a moment of silence for the victims of the Boston Marathon and also for Bob Stetson a former Planning and Zoning Board Member.

Mayor Brown announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice was sent to the The Central Record and The Burlington County Times, posted on the Bulletin Board and sent to those who requested notification.

ROLL CALL: Present: DiEnna, Hackman (via telephone until 6:45p.m.), Zeuli, Mayor Brown
Absent: D'Andrea
Also Present: Township Manager Cromie, Township Solicitor Gillespie, Township Engineer Staszewski, Deputy Manager of Finance Shanahan, Deputy Township Manager of Community Affairs Vandenberg, Community Development Director Jamanow, Township Auditor Nehila, Township Clerk Friddell, Deputy Township Clerk Schmitt

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting - March 5, 2013
Executive Session - March 5, 2013

On motion by Councilman DiEnna, seconded by Councilman Zeuli, it was moved to approve the above listed minutes.

Recorded Vote: Aye: DiEnna, Hackman, Zeuli, Brown
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 4-0.

Mayor Brown called for Council consensus in favor of moving Section VII Ordinances - Second Reading to the beginning of the meeting. Council was in agreement.

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ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

Ordinance No. 7-4-2013 - An Ordinance of the Township of Evesham, in the County of Burlington, New Jersey, Providing for Various Capital Improvements and Related Expenses in and for the Township, Appropriating \$3,150,000 Therefor, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$3,000,000 in General Improvement Bonds or Notes of the Township to Finance the Same

Mayor Brown opened the public hearing.

There being no comments, Mayor Brown requested a motion to close the Public Hearing.

On motion by Councilman Zeuli, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to close the public hearing on Ordinance No. 7-4-2013.

Recorded Vote: All Ayes

Motion Carried 4-0.

On motion by Councilman Zeuli, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to adopt Ordinance No. 7-4-2013.

Recorded Vote: Aye: DiEnna, Hackman, Zeuli, Brown
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 4-0.

Ordinance No. 8-4-2013 - An Ordinance of the Township of Evesham, in the County of Burlington, New Jersey, Providing for the Improvements to the Township's Golf Course and Facilities and Related Expenses in and for the Township, and Appropriating \$462,300 Therefor, and Providing for the Issuance of \$440,280 in Golf Course Utility Bonds or Notes of the Township of Evesham to Finance the Same

Mayor Brown opened the public hearing.

There being no comments, Mayor Brown requested a motion to close the Public Hearing.

On motion by Councilman Zeuli, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to close the public hearing on Ordinance No. 8-4-2013.

Recorded Vote: All Ayes

Motion Carried 4-0.

On motion by Councilman Zeuli, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to adopt Ordinance No. 8-4-2013.

Recorded Vote: Aye: DiEnna, Hackman, Zeuli, Brown
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 4-0.

Deputy Mayor Hackman excused herself from the meeting at 6:45p.m.

Mayor Brown requested that Jeffrey Baron say a few words in memory of Bob Stetson a former Planning and Zoning Board Member.

Jeffrey Baron opened by stating that he had served with Bob Stetson on the Planning and Zoning Board for several years. Bob was a Vietnam Veteran and a resident of Evesham Township for thirty-one years. He dedicated many hours to the planning and developing of Evesham Township, serving for 22 years on the Planning and Zoning Boards. Bob is survived by his wife and daughter.

Mayor Brown addressed the public and the students of Jaggard Elementary School in attendance. He spoke about a letter he received from Lahn Kim, a student of Jaggard Elementary School, which influenced the introduction of an Ordinance on prohibiting smoking in public parks and recreation areas which is listed on the Council Meeting Agenda tonight. Lahn Kim read aloud her letter regarding the health risks of smoking in public.

Mayor Brown continued by explaining the process of adopting an Ordinance and stated that through this letter a nine year old is able to make a law effective.

PRELIMINARY PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Richard Hoff, Jr. of Bisgaier Hoff LLC, 21 Tanner Street, Haddonfield, New Jersey attempted to comment on the work session item regarding redevelopment. Mayor Brown requested that he hold his comments until the work session and Mr. Hoff agreed.

WORK SESSION1. 9/11 Steel Remnant Project Discussion

Township Manager Cromie opened the work session by stating that there has been some preliminary discussion on how to best house

the 9/11 steel remnant currently located in the lobby of the Township building.

Fire Chief Lowden addressed Council about considering a potential site at the Main Street Fire Station. Discussion continued about a permanent memorial and the placement of the steel.

Councilman DiEnna suggested viewing other venues that have memorials to 9/11 and welcoming ideas from the community. He also commented that it should be properly lit, landscaped, and protected from weather and vandalism.

Councilman Zeuli suggested a simplistic memorial that did not take away from the memory of the event and paid homage to the steel.

Mayor Brown asked if it was customary to enclose the remnant or to leave it open. Chief Lowden stated that most remnants have been left open and lit.

Community Development Director Jamanow suggested working with an architect to ensure the foundation can support the weight of the steel.

Township Engineer Staszewski commented that some design aspect is needed.

Township Solicitor Gillespie stated that the Township can enter into a shared services agreement with the Fire District regarding maintenance of the memorial.

Mayor Brown concluded by suggesting that the Township work on designs for both vertical and horizontal placement of the steel remnant.

2. Introduction of 2013 Municipal Budget

Mayor Brown asked Township Manager Cromie and Deputy Township Manager of Finance Shanahan if they have received any new information on the tax appeal situation since the last Council Meeting; both responded that they had not.

Mayor Brown stated that he has had conversations with State Senators and feels they are open to listening about the proposed bill to reorganize the tax appeal process.

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Councilman DiEnna stated that he has collected press clippings from other towns and the consensus among these towns seems to be about saving money.

Councilman Zeuli stated that it appears Council's voices have been heard and some traction may have been made; with this in mind he feels it is premature to introduce the budget at this time.

There was Council consensus to continue discussion of the Budget on the work session of the next Council Meeting.

3. Review of Report from Evesham Township Planning Board - Preliminary Need Investigation Redevelopment and Rehabilitation Study

Richard Hoff, Jr. of Bisgaier Hoff LLC addressed Council on behalf of Tri-Towne Plaza and his client, RD Management. Mr. Hoff stated that the owners are committed to improving the property and request that the property be removed from redevelopment designation.

Mayor Brown stated that the Township has tried repeatedly for several years to communicate with RD Management to improve the property to no avail.

Councilman Zeuli stated that there is no denying that the property is underutilized and the owners have not made an effort to change with the times. Councilman Zeuli said if RD Management is serious about improving the property then they should present the township with a plan.

Township Solicitor Gillespie said that there would not be a resolution or action this evening on the report from the Evesham Township Planning Board. Discussion continued with regard to the direction Council wished to pursue.

There was Council consensus to have the Township Solicitor prepare a resolution of acceptance for the May 7th Council Meeting.

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

Ordinance No. 9-5-2013 - An Ordinance Amending Chapter 110 of the Code of the Township of Evesham to Prohibit Smoking in Public Parks and Recreation Areas

On motion by Councilman Zeuli, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to introduce Ordinance No. 9-5-2013.

Recorded Vote: Aye: DiEnna, Zeuli, Brown
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 3-0.

Ordinance No. 10-5-2013 - Bond Ordinance of the Township of Evesham, in the County of Burlington, New Jersey Amending Bond Ordinance No. 16-6-2011, Finally Adopted June 28, 2011, to Change Purposes and Useful Life

On motion by Councilman Zeuli, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to introduce Ordinance No. 10-5-2013.

Recorded Vote: Aye: DiEnna, Zeuli, Brown
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 3-0.

Ordinance No. 11-5-2013 - An Ordinance of the Township of Evesham Accepting a Conservation Easement Over Block 46, Lots 15.01, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20; Block 48, Lot 2 and a Drainage Easement Over a Portion of Block 46, Lot 19 and Block 48, Lot 2

On motion by Councilman Zeuli, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to adopt Ordinance No. 11-5-2013.

Recorded Vote: Aye: DiEnna, Zeuli, Brown
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 3-0.

Ordinance No. 12-5-2013 - An Ordinance to Amend Section 160-58(E), Relating to Performance Regulations for the Rural Development-2 ("RD-2") Zoning District and Specifically as Same Relates to Maximum Clearing Limit Ratios Under Table Five (5)

On motion by Councilman Zeuli, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to introduce Ordinance No. 12-5-2013.

Recorded Vote: Aye: DiEnna, Zeuli, Brown
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 3-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 110-2013 - Award of Contract - One (1) 2013 or Current Model New and Unused 40,000 LB Capacity, Heavy Duty 4-Post Vehicle Lift (with Chosen Options) - Department of Public Works

Resolution No. 111-2013 - Award of Contract - Memorial Playground Demolition and Installation

Resolution No. 112-2013 - Award of Contract and Assignment of Performance Guarantee Responsibilities for Completion of Landscaping Improvements to Lakeside Executive Park Section 4 Site

Resolution No. 113-2013 - Award of Contract and Assignment of Performance Guarantee Responsibilities for Completion of Landscaping Improvements to the Lakeside Executive Park Section 5 Site

Resolution No. 114-2013 - Award of Contract and Assignment of Performance Guarantee Responsibilities for Completion of Site Improvements to the Lakeside Executive Park Section 5 Site

Resolution No. 115-2013 - Amendment to Contract - Payroll Processing and Data Administration Services

Resolution No. 116-2013 - Amendment to Resolution No. 103-2013 - Authorizing the Cancellation and Refund of Property Taxes - 100% Totally & Permanently Disabled Veteran - Block 11.01, Lot 36

Resolution No. 117-2013 - Amendment to Resolution No. 104-2013 - Authorizing the Cancellation and Refund of Property Taxes - 100% Totally & Permanently Disabled Veteran - Block 17, Lot 7 Qualifier C1203

Resolution No. 118-2013 - Ratification of Emergency Award of Contract - Professional Engineering Services - Inspection and Assessment Indian Spring County Club Roof Damage

One motion by Councilman DiEnna, seconded by Councilman Zeuli, it was moved to adopt Resolutions No. 110-2013 through Resolutions No. 118-2013.

Mayor Brown called for any separations.

Councilman DiEnna requested separation of Resolution No. 116-2013.

Mayor Brown called for a vote on the remainder of the Consent Agenda.

Recorded Vote on Resolutions No. 110-2013 through 115-2013 and Resolutions No. 117-2013 through 118-2013.

AYE: DiEnna, Zeuli, Brown

NAYE: XXX

ABSTAIN: XXX

Motion Carried: 3-0.

Councilman DiEnna read aloud Resolution No. 116-2013 to give recognition to permanently disabled veterans.

Resolution No. 116-2013 - Amendment to Resolution No. 103-2013 - Authorizing the Cancellation and Refund of Property Taxes - 100% Totally & Permanently Disabled Veteran - Block 11.01, Lot 36

On motion by Councilman DiEnna, seconded by Councilman Zeuli, it was moved to adopt Resolution No. 116-2013.

Recorded Vote on Resolutions No. 116-2013.

AYE: DiEnna, Zeuli, Brown

NAYE: XXX

ABSTAIN: XXX

Motion Carried: 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

STAFF COMMENTS

Deputy Township Manager of Community Affairs Vandenberg reminded Council and attending professionals of the Arbor Day Celebration on Friday, April 26th, 11:00a.m. at the Gibson House.

Director of Community Development Jamanow thanked Council for approving Resolution 111-2013. Demolition of the playground will start tomorrow, the equipment will be delivered next week, and then installation can begin. The memorial plaques will be removed, stored, and reinstalled at the new playground. Township Manager Cromie stated that the Township will strive to

do everything possible to save any playground mementos that have names on them. Mayor Brown stated that tomorrow at 2:00p.m is the Pinelands approval meeting for the playground.

Township Manager Cromie stated that this morning he received an email from a parent at Van Zant School requesting a pedestrian crossing sign at the corner of Greentree and Conestoga Roads. Also, complaints have been addressed to the Manager's office concerning speeding cars at the through way of Marlton Crossing. The landlord has agreed to install speed bumps on the roadway.

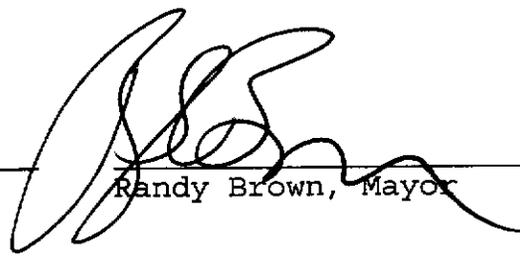
On motion by Councilman DiEnna, seconded by Councilman Zeuli, it was moved to adjourn the meeting.

Recorded Vote: AYE: All Ayes.
NAY: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19p.m.


Lori Friddell, Township Clerk


Randy Brown, Mayor


Maggie Schmitt, Deputy Township Clerk

Submitted: June 18, 2013

Approved: June 25, 2013

