

May 6, 2014
Regular Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Evesham Township Council was called to order by Mayor Brown at 6:40p.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 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, Zeuli, Mayor Brown
Absent: D'Andrea
Also Present: Township Manager Cromie, Township
Solicitor Gillespie, Township Engineer
Cantwell, Deputy Township Managers,
Township Clerk Bergh, Deputy Township
Clerk Friddell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting - April 15, 2014

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

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

Motion Carried 4-0.

PRELIMINARY PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to move Preliminary Public Comment on the agenda to appear after Proclamations.

Recorded Vote: All Ayes

Motion Carried 4-0.

POLICE CHIEF SUMMARY

Police Chief Chew presented a 2012 to 2013 comparison on crime reports in Evesham Township, detailing the cost of crime as researched by the Rand Institute. Chief Chew attributed the decrease in crimes to the proactive efforts of the Police Department. He outlined additional community outreach programs scheduled this year.

PROCLAMATIONS

Jeffrey B. Saper - 25 Years of Service - Evesham Township Zoning Board

Mayor Brown read the proclamation into the record and presented it to Jeffrey Saper, recognizing him for his 25 years on the Zoning Board, as well as, his other service to the Township of Evesham.

Councilman DiEnna read into the record and presented Mr. Saper with a joint resolution from the N.J. Senate and General Assembly, thanking him for his contributions to Evesham.

Mr. Saper thanked all other board members and professionals that he worked with over the years, stating it was an honor to serve the community.

Evesham Safe Boating Week - May 17-23, 2014

Mayor Brown read the proclamation into the record and presented it to Mike Slepian and representatives from the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Marlton Flotilla.

PRELIMINARY PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None.

WORK SESSION

1. Redevelopment Discussion

Leah Furey-Bruder, Township Planner reviewed with Council the outline for redevelopment planning for the Aristone Tract, Northwest Quadrant Lincoln Drive and Former Bank and Harvest House.

Aristone Tract

Ms. Bruder discussed the location and acreage of the property and presented the potential land uses and requirements. It was noted that a portion of the property is within Medford Township.

It was suggested to consider not allowing access via Evesboro/Medford Road.

Council members supported mixed use residential and commercial.

Northwest Quadrant Lincoln Drive

The property was presented as approximately 17.5 acres in the C-1 zoning district with multiple owners among the five designated lots. It was noted that this site is considered for rehabilitation, not redevelopment.

Potential land uses were discussed including medical, general office, personal and business services. Discussion followed on permitting automotive repair and day care.

Former Bank and Harvest House

Ms. Bruder stated that no recommendation is being made to demolish the existing house. She further stated that the bank and Harvest House are adjacent but may be redeveloped separately.

Discussion continued on potential land uses including mixed use residential and commercial.

2. Discussion on Draft Resolution Declaring Block 30, Lots 2.03 and 3.01 an Area in Need of Rehabilitation

Township Solicitor Gillespie explained the process of declaring the property in need of rehabilitation.

Councilman DiEnna inquired what impact residential development might have on schools.

Mayor Brown stated that the School Board has indicated that the schools have capacity, since enrollment has dropped over the past few years.

Township Solicitor Gillespie stated that should Council wish to consider the resolution that a motion be made to refer the resolution to the Planning Board for their consideration and review.

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to refer the Resolution Declaring Block 30, Lots 2.03 and 3.01 and Area in Need of Rehabilitation to the Planning Board for consideration and review.

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

Motion Carried 4-0.

3. Future of Main Street and Maple Avenue

Mayor Brown inquired on options regarding Evesham Township assuming ownership of Main Street and Maple Avenue from Burlington County.

Township Manager Cromie stated that it is a viable option.

Township Engineer Cantwell reported that Main Street is in a better state of repair than Maple Avenue. He suggested Council give consideration to the culvert at Knox Boulevard and include discussion of it in any negotiations.

Deputy Township Manager of Operations Kohl noted consideration should also be given to the right of way.

Councilman DiEnna suggested the Township be cautious and investigate potential underground issues.

Councilman Zeuli in agreement, stated a full cost assessment and analysis of drainage issues should be considered.

Township Solicitor Gillespie stated that for reference, he will investigate if other municipalities have taken over County Roads.

Council consensus to direct Township Manager Cromie and Councilman Zeuli to meet with County representatives to discuss Main Street and Maple Avenue and provide a report for work session on May 27, 2014.

ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

Ordinance No. 13-5-2014 - Calendar Year 2014 Model Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

Mayor Brown opened the public hearing.

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

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman DiEnna it was moved to close the public hearing on Ordinance No. 13-5-2014.

Recorded Vote: All Ayes

Motion Carried 4-0.

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to adopt Ordinance No. 13-5-2014.

Council Comments: None.

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

Motion Carried 4-0.

Ordinance No. 14-5-2014 - An Ordinance of the Township of Evesham Amending Ordinance No. 6-3-2014 Facility Use Policy Relating to Sign Sponsorship

Mayor Brown opened the public hearing.

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

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman DiEnna it was moved to close the public hearing on Ordinance No. 14-5-2014.

Recorded Vote: All Ayes

Motion Carried 4-0.

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to adopt Ordinance No. 14-5-2014.

Council Comments: None.

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

Motion Carried 4-0.

Ordinance No. 15-5-2014 - An Ordinance of the Township of Evesham, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey Amending and Supplementing Chapter 41 of Code of the Township of Evesham entitled "Abandoned Property"

Mayor Brown opened the public hearing.

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

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman DiEnna it was moved to close the public hearing on Ordinance No. 15-5-2014.

Recorded Vote: All Ayes

Motion Carried 4-0.

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to adopt Ordinance No. 15-5-2014.

Council Comments: Mayor Brown inquired regarding status of abandoned properties, Director of Community Development Jamanow offered to provide a report at the May 27, 2014 meeting.

Councilman DiEnna referred to an article in the Courier-Post regarding abandoned properties and stated that Evesham Township is trying to expedite the process of having abandoned properties addressed.

Township Solicitor Gillespie stated, for the record, that a letter was received from a realtors association objecting to the ordinance. He further stated that the ordinance is in accordance with statutes; however the Township can meet with them within the 20 day estoppel period for the ordinance adoption.

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

Motion Carried 4-0.

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

Ordinance No. 16-5-2014 - An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 28-11-2013, Entitled "An Ordinance of the Township of Evesham, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey Adopting Redevelopment Plan for Certain Properties Known as Block 3, Lot 3; and Block 27.02, Lot 2"

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to introduce Ordinance No. 16-5-2014, on first reading and that second reading and public hearing would take place on May 27, 2014.

Council Comments

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

Motion Carried 4-0.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 150-2014 - Authorizing Emergency Temporary Appropriation (2014-8)

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to adopt Resolution No. 150-2014.

Recorded Vote: AYE: DiEnna, Hackman, Zeuli, Brown
NAY: XXX
ABSTAIN: XXX

Motion Carried: 4-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 151-2014 - Resolution Amending the List of Equipment for the 2012 Capital Program

Resolution No. 152-2014 - Award of Contract for 2014 Fireworks Display(s)

Resolution No. 153-2014 - Award of contract for the Replacement of the Wall Pads and Divider Curtains in the Gym at the Recreation Center

Resolution No. 154-2014 - Award of Contract to Provide for Various Construction and Carpentry Services

Resolution No. 155-2014 - Award of Contract for the Purchase of Various Golf Supplies, Equipment and Related Accessories

Resolution No. 156-2014 - Rejection of Request for Release of Performance Guarantee - Pietro's Coal Oven Pizza - Block 22.02, Lots (s) 27 & 30 - Landscaping Improvements

Resolution No. 157-2014 - Award of Contract for Professional Engineering and Construction Management Services - 2014 Road Program - Resurfacing of Merion Road, Concord Road, Erynwood Avenue, Chadwick Avenue, Colonial Avenue, Village Avenue, Bon Air Drive, Carlton Avenue, Sharp Road, South Elmwood Road, Cropwell Road, and North Locust Avenue

Resolution No. 158-2014 - Approval of Freefall Adventures Skydiving Demonstration Event - Chartwell Swim Club

Resolution No. 159-2014 - Authorizing Person-to-Person Transfer of Plenary Retail Distribution Liquor License No. 0313-44-019-003 from JVC, Inc. to Cooper Beverage, LLC

Resolution No. 160-2014 - Authorizing Transfer of Municipal Property

Resolution No. 161-2014 - Award of Contract for the Purchase of Materials and Fabrication of Pavers for the 9-11 Memorial

Resolution No. 162-2014 - Release of Performance Guarantee - Pietro's Coal Oven Pizza - Block 22.02, Lots (s) 27 & 30 - Site Improvements

Resolution No. 163-2014 - Closing of a Portion of Kettle Run Road - National Multiple Sclerosis Society - 34th Annual City to Shore MS Bike Tour

Resolution No. 164-2014 - Awarding Contract for FY 2013 Community Development Block Grant Sidewalk Improvements

Resolution No. 165-2014 - Appointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment - Regular Member

Resolution No. 166-2014 - A Resolution Supporting the "Click it or Ticket" Mobilization of May 19 - June 1, 2014 with the State of New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Deputy Mayor DiEnna it was moved to adopt Consent Agenda Resolutions No. 151-2014 through 166-2014.

Mayor Brown called for any separations.

Councilman Zeuli requested separation of Resolution No. 158-2014.

There being no further separations, Mayor Brown called for a vote on the remaining Consent Agenda.

Recorded Vote on Resolution Nos. 151-2014 through 157-2014 and 159-2014 through 166-2014.

AYE: DiEnna, Hackman, Zeuli, Brown
NAY: XXX
ABSTAIN: XXX

Motion Carried: 4-0.

Resolution No. 158-2014 - Approval of Freefall Adventures Skydiving Demonstration Event - Chartwell Swim Club

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman DiEnna, it was moved to adopt Resolution No. 158-2014.

Council Comments: Councilman Zeuli expressed concern regarding the safety of the event.

Recorded Vote: AYE: DiEnna, Hackman, Zeuli, Brown
NAY: XXX
ABSTAIN: XXX

Motion Carried: 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

STAFF COMMENTS

Township Clerk Bergh informed Council of Municipal Clerks' Week and recognized her office for their work.

Deputy Township Manager Vandenberg reminded Council and the public of the grand opening at the Diamonds at Arrowhead, the new baseball/softball complex, being held Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at 7p.m.

Township Manager Cromie informed Council that this was the first agenda prepared using the new NovusAgenda software. He stated that Council will be receiving new tablets which will enable them to view their packets and eliminate paper copies.

Mayor Brown inquired if paper copies were still required for the public.

Township Solicitor Gillespie stated they were not required.

Council consensus to further discuss at the meeting of May 27, 2014.

Township Solicitor Gillespie suggested Council consider delegation the mediation of disputes regarding land use escrow fees to the CFO and Director of Community Development.

On motion by Councilwoman Hackman, seconded by Councilman Zeuli, it was moved to delegate mediation responsibilities regarding land use escrow fee disputes to Nancy Jamanow, Director of Community Development and Tom Shanahan, Chief Financial Officer.

Recorded Vote: AYE: DiEnna, Hackman, Zeuli, Brown
NAY: XXX
ABSTAIN: XXX

Motion Carried: 4-0.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman DiEnna expressed concern regarding dumpsters.

Director of Community Development Jamanow stated that conditions could be addressed when application is made for a permit.

Councilman DiEnna stated that he had attended an Ocean City Council meeting and commented on their procedures for public comment.

With regard to the 9-11 memorial, Councilman DiEnna stated that an account has been established to accept donations. He was happy to report on the positive response from contractors, offering to work pro-bono on the project.

Councilwoman Hackman thanked Council members and Deputy Township Manager Vandenberg for their participation in the dodgeball tournament sponsored by the Youth Advisory Committee. She also thanked Daddy-0's for their donation of water-ice to the event.

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

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

Motion Carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45p.m.

Mary Lou Bergh, Deputy Township Clerk

Randy Brown, Mayor

Lori Friddell, Deputy Township Clerk

Submitted: May 8, 2014

Approved: _____