

**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
TOWNSHIP COUNCIL – TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN**

July 16, 2015

OAKHURST, NEW JERSEY

The Workshop Meeting was held in the Council Conference Room, Town Hall, 399 Monmouth Road, Oakhurst, NJ 07755 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Siciliano
Deputy Mayor Garofalo
Councilmember(s) Acerra, Long and Schepiga

Others: Martin Arbus, Esq., Township Attorney
Andrew Brannen, Township Manager
Vincent Buttiglieri, Township Clerk

Mayor Siciliano announced that the notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for this meeting have been satisfied; a copy of the Annual Notice was sent to the Asbury Park Press and The Coaster, posted in Town Hall and filed in the Office of the Township Clerk on December 30, 2014.

REVIEW OF ALL REGULAR MEETING MATERIAL:

Andrew Brannen, Township Manager, went through the meeting items, which were reviewed by the Governing Body and held for the Public Meeting of July 16, 2015, unless otherwise noted (*):

Public Questions:

CEREMONY:

Ocean Township High School Boys Lacrosse Team
Ocean Township High School Golf Team

CONSENT AGENDA:

MINUTES:

June 18, 2015 - Workshop and Public Meetings

RESOLUTIONS:

15-133 Approve appointments to the Clean Communities Advisory Committee

15-134 Authorize the Receipt of Bids for the following:

a. Roll Off Container with various attachments

Andrew Brannen, Township Manager, said that this unit could have a number of different attachments including a snow plow and a leaf vacuum, among others and all will be interchangeable.

15-135 Authorize the renewal of the 2015-2016 liquor licenses for all licensees who have

15-138 Authorize the fireworks for the Italian American Association of the Township of Ocean for August 7, 2015 (raindates August 8th or August 9th)

15-139 Authorize the Township Manager to execute the Planning Board application on behalf of the Township for Block 25, Lots 1 and 2

INDIVIDUAL ACTION:

VOUCHERS: \$ 5,978,718.59

RESOLUTIONS:

15-140 Approve a Ch. 159 Budget Amendment for the following:

- a. Community Hope Fund – L.E.A.D. Program**
- b. Community Hope Fund - Project Extend Childcare Tuition Assistance**
- c. Community Hope Fund – Project Extend Girls Circle/Boys Counsel**
- d. Community Hope Fund – Student Assistance Program**
- e. Community Hope Fund – TOGS Program**

15-141 Authorize the Tax Collector to issue a refund to those taxpayers that have received favorable State Tax Appeal judgments

Mr. Brannen said that the successful applicant was Seaview Square Mall

15-142 Approve a contract with Emergency Communication Network, Inc. for the CodeRed emergency notification system at a cost not to exceed \$15,112.50

Mr. Brannen said that this is an annual contract for the Townships reverse 911 system that also include the Board of Education, Borough of Deal and Borough of Interlaken

15-143 Authorize the purchase of mobile computers for the Police Department from Patrol, PC (State Contract A81300) at a cost not to exceed \$54,094.60

Mr. Brannen said that the Township is replacing 10 units, most of which are ten-years old or older

15-144 Authorize the purchase of wireless modems for the Police Department mobile computers from Wireless Communications at a cost not to exceed \$15,024.00

15-145 Approve a contract with Precise Construction, Inc. to perform improvements to Fairway No. 4 at Colonial Terrace Golf Course at a cost not to exceed \$278,220.00

Mr. Brannen said that this project is being paid for by a grant from the Monmouth County Open Space Fund. The renovations should begin in mid-October

15-146 Authorize a contract with Leon S. Avakian to provide engineering services associated with the 2015 Roadway Improvement project at a cost not to exceed \$285,000.00

15-147 Approve Change Order No. 1 for the 2014 Roadway Improvement project due to the

ITEM FOR DISCUSSION:

SUBJECT: Technical Review Committee

ACTION: A potential developer of the Stop and Shop property (Deal Road and Route 35) discussed his development plans for said property. This was merely informational and no decisions were made.

Mr. Brannen reported the Township held its first Technical Review meeting on July 13, 2015. The following three (3) applicants that met with the Townships professionals:

1. The Cabinet Factory – who wishes to locate on Route 35 South
2. Ocean Wellness – there appeared to be a zoning issue but Mr. Brannen believes that has been resolved. There may need to be an amendment to the zoning ordinance due to this use.
3. Kane Brewery – they would like to construct an outdoor silo
4. Tennis Facility – they received good feedback from the Township and the developers have a good understanding of their responsibilities.

SUBJECT: Township Sign Logo Update

ACTION: Handouts were distributed of the original Township Seal and the “new” seal. Discussion and comments were received by Mayor Siciliano and he will go back to the designer for an updated design.

SUBJECT: Poplar Village Acquisition Update

ACTION: Mr. Brannen reported that Green Acres awarded \$525,000.00 for Phase 2 of this project, however, no closing has been scheduled due to funding issues that CIS would have should this acquisition close. CIS will need to approach HUD to rectify their issues prior to closing.

SUBJECT: Grants Update

ACTION: Mr. Brannen gave an update on the following projects:

Recycling Grant - the Township will be presented a check from the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders on July 23, 2015 at West Long Branch. Both Councilmen Acerra and Long, along with Public Works Director Tom Crochet will be present to represent the Township.

NJEIT Grant – for sediment cleanup of Deal Lake – a conference call was held to explain the project and the process of securing funding through the Infrastructure Trust. It a partial grant and a really low interest rate for the amount borrowed. The one item that was learned was that there would need to be a retention basin located at Seaview Square Mall. After discussion, it appears the Township would qualify and an application would need to be submitted by October 2015.

Township of Ocean Sewer Authority – Mr. Brannen said that the Township Auditors are doing a review of TOSA to determine the feasibility of its current structure. Even if TOSA and the Township merge, a separate sewer bill can still be distributed.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmember Long inquired about the status of the step and retaining wall repairs that were requested by the property owner on Monmouth Road.

Mr. Brannen said the work has been completed and the property owner is satisfied.

Councilmember Schepiga announced that FallFest will be held on September 26 between 10:00am and 4:00pm. Community organizations are able to participate at no cost and there will be crafts for the children.

Mayor Siciliano has been notified that the Township would qualify for funding through the State of New Jersey Infrastructure Trust with the funding being used for sediment control at Deal Lake. The application is due by October 2015 with the award being made in April 2016.

The following individuals did not issue a report at this meeting:

Martin Arbus, Esq., Township Attorney
Andrew Brannen, Township Manager

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Bill and Sally Madden commented on the candidates debate held in May and thanked the all the candidates for participating. Mr. & Mrs. Madden further congratulated the victors and wished them well.

Seeing that there were additional Public Comments, Mayor read the following:

RESOLUTION DECLARING CLOSED SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Ocean, County of Monmouth as follows:

1. The Public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
 - C1. Litigation – COAH
 - C2. Litigation – In-Rem Foreclosure – Block 1.02, Lot 33.01
 - C3. Litigation – GCS Contracting
 - C4. Contract – PBA Local 57

3. It is anticipated at this time that the Municipal Clerk shall review the minutes of closed sessions of the Township of Ocean and make a recommendation to the Governing Body which minutes should be considered for public record. The minutes which are

Record of Vote	Deputy Mayor Garofalo	Councilman Acerra	Councilman Long	Councilwoman Schepiga	Mayor Siciliano
Motion To Approve	X				
Motion to Second				X	
Approved	X	X	X	X	X
Opposed					
Not Voting/Recuse					
Absent/Excused					

Seeing that there were no additional comments, the meeting was adjourned.

Record of Vote	Deputy Mayor Garofalo	Councilman Acerra	Councilman Long	Councilwoman Schepiga	Mayor Siciliano
Motion To Approve			X		
Motion to Second		X			
Approved	X	X	X	X	X
Opposed					
Not Voting/Recuse					
Absent/Excused					

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Buttiglieri, RMC/CMC/MMC
Township Clerk