

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

February 17, 2016

Municipal Building, Council Chambers

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Roll Call

Present	Absent
Mr. Dunham	
Mrs. Merz	
Mr. Sanchelli	Mr. Birmingham
President Yocum	
Township Attorney, Lawrence Cohen	
Lori Harvin, Township Clerk	

Mrs. Harvin said, "Let the record show that Administrator James Leach is present."

Salute to the Flag

President Yocum asked everyone to rise and Salute the Flag.

Notice of Presiding Officer

President Yocum said, "This Regular Council meeting for February 17, 2016, commencing at 7:00 p.m. has been properly noticed in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by notice to the official newspapers of the Township on February 11, 2016."

Resolution and Proclamation Recognizing Brittany Boetticher as Jefferson Township High School Top Youth Volunteer of the Year (25-A)

Yocum asked Brittany to come forward and he read the Resolution honoring Brittany on the achievement of her Award. Yocum asked Brittany about her Volunteer work and he commended her on her commitment to the community and helping others. The Mayor's Proclamation was presented to Brittany along with a Township pin and pen.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

- January 27, 2016 Budget Yocum & Sanchelli Absent
Motion: Merz, second Dunham

Mr. Dunham	Aye
Mrs. Merz	Aye
Mr. Birmingham	Absent
Vice President Sanchelli	Not Voting
President Yocum	Not Voting
- February 3, 2016 Regular & Executive All Members Present
Motion: Sanchelli, second Dunham

Mr. Dunham	Aye
Mrs. Merz	Aye
Mr. Birmingham	Absent
Vice President Sanchelli	Aye
President Yocum	Aye

Council Reports

Dunham had no report this evening.

Sanchelli reported that a Jefferson resident, Karen Stickle, is the proud owner of a dog that took honors in this year's West Minster Dog Show. Her dog placed in the top four and Sanchelli congratulated her along with the other Council members.

Merz said that she appreciates that the Council is always willing to bring forth and recognize anyone who adds to Jefferson Township in some capacity. Merz said that the Council realizes that it takes different types of people and organizations to make the Township work and there is always time to fit another nice thing into your schedule.

Administrative Reports of Mayor and Administrator

Leach reported that a meeting has been set up with the DEP officials concerning

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the Sparta Mountain WMA Forestry Management Plan. Leach reported that there may be some officials from Sparta and Ogdensburg at the meeting also. Yocum commented that it is a massive project with environmental issues.

Leach reported that he and John Burns attended a seminar regarding the threat of the Emerald Ash Borer. The town owns a great deal of land and it would be impossible to treat individual trees. Leach said that he will be meeting with the Township Forester to come up with a plan which may include harvesting Ash trees while the trees are still healthy.

Leach reported that tomorrow he and Eagen will be meeting with the DPW Supervisor to go over the paving and drainage lists for next week's Budget meeting. March 2 is the target date to have the Auditor come to the meeting to give his update on the 2016 Budget.

Miscellaneous/Public Portion

No one came forward.

Leach reported that the Mayor and he have had meetings with the property owners of the former Pathmark site and things are on track for a Food Emporium.

New Business

- Request: Jefferson Recycling, LLC Request for Approval of Class B Recycling Facility Modification – Addition of Natural Wood Waste

Yocum said the Council has a copy of the correspondence received from the Morris County MUA regarding the application filed by Jefferson Recycling for the Addition of Natural Wood Waste and the modification of their approval with the County. The Township Council is being asked to forward a Resolution in support or opposition to this request. The Council directed Cohen to prepare a Resolution in support of this request for the March 2 Council meeting.

Resolutions

Resolution #16-15: Resolution Accepting Administration's Personnel Policy and Procedures, Jefferson Township, Chapters 7, 8 and 9 **(26-A)**

Motion: Merz, second Sanchelli

Mr. Dunham	Aye
Mrs. Merz	Aye
Mr. Birmingham	Absent
Vice President Sanchelli	Aye
President Yocum	Aye

Resolution #16-16: Approval of Bills **(26-B)**

Motion: Dunham, second Merz

Mr. Dunham	Aye
Mrs. Merz	Aye
Mr. Birmingham	Absent
Vice President Sanchelli	Aye
President Yocum	Aye

Motion to Approve:

Postnet NJ 129 P O No. 16-00312 - \$71.50

Motion: Yocum, second Dunham

Mr. Dunham	Aye
Mrs. Merz	Not Voting
Mr. Birmingham	Absent
Vice President Sanchelli	Aye
President Yocum	Aye

Motion to Approve:

Headley Lumber Co. PO No. 16-00163 - \$340.64

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Dated: February 17, 2016

Attested:

Approved:

Lori Harvin, Township Clerk

Richard W. Yocum, Council President