

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

February 18, 2015

Municipal Building, Council Chambers

22

Roll Call

Present

Mr. Dunham
Mr. Birmingham
Vice President Merz
President Yocum
Township Attorney, Lawrence Cohen
Lori Harvin, Township Clerk

Absent

Mr. Sanchelli

Mrs. Harvin said, "Let the record show that Mayor Felter and Administrator James Leach are present.

Salute to the Flag

Notice of Presiding Officer

President Yocum said, "This Regular Council meeting for February 18, 2015, commencing at 6:00 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 12, 2015."

Resolution and Proclamation Honoring Jefferson Township Rotary's 50th Anniversary (22-A)

Yocum asked President Clark Perry, Secretary Christine Murray and Margit Rahill to come forward. Yocum then presented the Resolution Honoring the Jefferson Township Rotary's 50th Anniversary. Mayor Felter read the Proclamation and presented it to President Perry.

Resolution and Proclamation Recognizing Retirement of Robert Moentenich Township Employee (22-B)

The Resolution and Proclamation recognizing the retirement of Township Employee, Robert Moentenich were presented.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

January 28, 2015	Budget	All Members Present
February 4, 2015	Budget/Regular	Sanchelli Absent

Motion: Birmingham, second Dunham

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

Executive Session Minutes to Be Approved for Disclosure:

December 4, 2013 and April 16, 2014

Motion: Yocum, second Dunham

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

Public Hearing Upon Adoption For Ordinances on Second Reading and Final Hearing:

ORDINANCE # 1-15: ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 194 OF THE JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "DIRECT DEPOSIT" AND REQUIRING THAT THE NET PAY OF ALL FULL-TIME AND REGULAR PART-TIME MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES BE MADE BY DIRECT DEPOSIT IS OFFERED FOR ADOPTION ON SECOND READING AND FINAL HEARING

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

February 18, 2015

23

Municipal Building, Council Chambers

Yocum opened the meeting up to the public for questions or comments specific to proposed Ordinance 1-15 and upon seeing no one come forward, he closed the public portion of the meeting.

Motion: Merz, second Dunham

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

ORDINANCE #3-15: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 54 OF THE JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "FUNDS" FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMBINING THE OPEN SPACE TRUST FUNDS TO PERMIT ACQUISITION, AS WELL AS REDEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT UNDER A SINGLE FUND IS OFFERED FOR ADOPTION ON SECOND READING AND FINAL HEARING

Yocum opened the meeting up to the public for questions or comments specific to proposed Ordinance 3-15 and upon seeing no one come forward, he closed the public portion of the meeting.

Motion: Merz, second Dunham

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

ORDINANCE #4-15: ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 256 OF THE JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "FIRE PREVENTION" AND MORE PARTICULARLY FOR THE ADOPTION OF A UNIFORM FIRE SAFETY ACT AND NEW JERSEY UNIFORM FIRE CODE IS OFFERED FOR ADOPTION ON SECOND READING AND FINAL HEARING

Yocum opened the meeting up to the public for questions or comments specific to proposed Ordinance 4-15 and upon seeing no one come forward, he closed the public portion of the meeting.

Motion: Birmingham, second Dunham

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

ORDINANCE #5-15: ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 360 OF THE JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "PERSONNEL PRACTICES" IS OFFERED FOR ADOPTION ON SECOND READING AND FINAL HEARING

Yocum opened the meeting up to the public for questions or comments specific to proposed Ordinance 5-15 and upon seeing no one come forward, he closed the public portion of the meeting.

Motion: Merz, second Dunham

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

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

February 18, 2015

Municipal Building, Council Chambers

24

Yocum said that with regard to Ordinance 3-15, he would like to thank the Administration for their control and proper use of this fund since its creation. Yocum said that he feels this is the right direct to go and the right move for the Township.

Council Reports

Merz had no report this evening.

Birmingham reported that he attended the Library Board of Trustees' meeting this week. The Board has a few proposals for improvements to the Library building. The Board also voted on their Officers and is maintaining the same Officers.

Birmingham reported that he attended the Morris County League of Municipalities meeting this evening. There was a farewell for Bill Dressell after many years as the Director of the New Jersey League of Municipalities. Dressell is still pressing for the issues that are affecting municipalities. One being the excise tax for revenues for utilities which the State has been holding onto; the other is the funding for the Transportation Trust Fund; and also COAH. Birmingham said that he also spoke to Assemblywoman DeCroce regarding OPRA and problems that many towns are experiencing. Yocum commented that a lot of Administrative time and effort from Municipalities goes into fulfilling these requests.

Dunham reported that he attended the Library Board meeting along with Birmingham.

Administrative Reports of Mayor and Administrator

Felter had no report this evening.

Leach reported that with regard to Ordinance 6-15, after the weather breaks, the environmental survey will be done and along with the second appraisal which is needed for Green Acres.

Miscellaneous/Public Portion

No one came forward.

New Business

Ordinances for First Reading

ORDINANCE #6-15: ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE BY JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP OF REAL PROPERTY FROM KRYSZYNA DREWNIAK, KNOWN AS BLOCK 272, LOT 2 IS OFFERED FOR ADOPTION ON FIRST READING WITH SECOND READING AND FINAL HEARING SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 4, 2015

Motion: Birmingham, second Dunham

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

Resolutions

Resolution #15-10: Temporary Budget Amendment

(24-A)

Motion: Merz, second Dunham

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

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

February 18, 2015

25

Municipal Building, Council Chambers

Resolution #15-11: Approval of Bills

(25-A)

Motion: Birmingham, second Yocum

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

Resolution #15-12: Authorize Passage of Consent Agenda

(25-B)

Motion: Merz, second Dunham

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

Miscellaneous/Public Portion

No one came forward.

Adjournment at 8:25 p.m.

Motion: Merz, second Dunham

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

Dated: February 18, 2015

Attested:

Approved:

Lori Harvin, Township Clerk

Debi Merz, Council Vice President