

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

May 6, 2015

Municipal Building, Council Chambers

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Roll Call

Present

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

Absent

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 May 6, 2015, 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 April 30, 2015."

Appointment of Firefighter to Fire Dept. No. 2: Devin R. Alonso

(53-A)

Yocum asked Firefighter Alonso to come forward along with Captain Kinsey. Mayor Felter administered the Oath of Office to Alonso. Yocum thanked Alonso for providing his services to the Township and presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation and a Township pin and pen.

Proclamation Declaring May As Poppy Month

(53-B)

Mayor Felter asked the American Legion Auxiliary members to come forward and he read the Proclamation Declaring May 2015 Poppy Month. Felter then presented the Proclamation to the American Legion Auxiliary.

Proclamation Declaring May 7, 2015 National Day of Prayer

(53-C)

Mayor Felter read the Proclamation declaring May 7, 2015 the National Day of Prayer in Jefferson Township.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

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| April 1, 2015 | Regular | All Members Present |
| April 1, 2015 | Executive | All Members Present |

Motion: Dunham, second Birmingham

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

Council Reports

Sanchelli said that he has no report this evening except that that a war veteran passed way today, his uncle, William Pellian. The Council expressed their condolences.

Birmingham reported that his wife has a relative that works in Washington at the EPA and at the Capital an ecumenical prayer group has started that meets every Wednesday. This group has taken their name from Thomas Jefferson who was known to ride to the Capital every Sunday for prayer.

Dunham reported that he attended the Blue Star Salute on Saturday and the event was very well attended. The Township and Committee was honored to have two Generals in attendance. Dunham said that one of the Generals commented that not many communities hold such events to honor the military.

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Administrative Reports of Mayor and Administrator

Felter said that he would like to thank the Blue Star Committee for all their hard work.

Leach reported that the Property Maintenance Code was passed several years back. The process of bringing a property into compliance involves violations and penalties. Leach said that he is now proposing an amendment to the Ordinance to establish a Property Maintenance Code similar to the Public Health Nuisance Code so violations can be issued and summonses brought into the Municipal Court thereby bringing properties into compliance. Leach said that if the Council is in agreement, he will give the information to Cohen for the preparation of the Ordinance. The Council agreed to move forward.

Leach reported that at Liffy Island and the North Shore Trail area, there is a partially completed trail. Leach said that the ultimate goal is to have a board walk to Liffy Island. Leach reported that there will be a timber harvest on Liffy Island since there are so many trees down from the hurricane and some other trees have to be culled. Leach said that he is coming to the Council prior to making an expenditure from the combined Recreation/Open Space trust. There will be engineering fees for the design of the footbridge/board walk. This year there was a balance of about \$663,000; \$100,000 payment was made on the turf field project; \$123,000 was taken for Recreation improvements which were approved through the Capital Budget. There is about \$545,000 in non-committed money in that fund. Cohen suggested that the Council adopt a motion for the expenditure.

Motion: Award Contract for Engineering to Ed Haack & Associates
for 1st & 2nd Phase of Liffy Island & North Shore
Trail Project out of Recreation & Open Space Trust
Fund in the amount of \$10,000.00

Motion: Sanchelli, second Birmingham

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

Resolution & Proclamation Honoring Eagle Scout: Sean Cornelius Delanoy (54-A)

Council President Yocum read the Resolution for Sean on the achievement of his Eagle Scout Award. Mayor Felter presented Sean with the Proclamation honoring him for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. Sean was presented with a Township pin and pen and he received individual congratulations from the Council.

Miscellaneous/Public Portion

No one came forward.

New Business

Outdoor Gathering: Carnival Permit for JTHS PTSA to be held May 27th, 28th 29th & 30th, 2015 – 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Reports: Police Chief; Health; Fire Official; Reports

Waiver Request: \$50.00 Application Fee and \$42.00 Uniform Fire Safety Fee

Motion: Sanchelli, second Dunham

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

Resolutions

Resolution #15-37: Authorize Execution of Septic Deed of Easement,
13 South Lakeside Avenue, Block 52, Lot 10

(54-B)

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Motion: Sanchelli, second Dunham

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

Resolution #15-38: Approval of Bills (55-A)

Motion: Sanchelli, second Birmingham

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

Motion: Approval of PO 15-01185 Headley Lumber \$173.54
PO 15-01254 Headley Lumber \$323.60

Motion: Sanchelli, second Birmingham

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

Resolution #15-39: Authorize Passage of Consent Agenda (55-B)

Motion: Birmingham, second Sanchelli

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

Resolution #15-40: Liquor License Renewal 2014-15 Licensing Term for 1414-33-001-006; Petrodata, Inc. t/a The Cove Bar and Grille (55-C)

Motion: Sanchelli, second Yocum

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

Resolution #15-41: Authorizing Execution of Settlement Agreement and Contract for Sale of Real Estate with Robert Hamann (55-D)

Motion: Sanchelli, second Birmingham

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

Resolution #15-42: Executive Session: Attorney Client Privilege Supreme Court Decision Regarding COAH (55-E)

Motion: Sanchelli, second Yocum

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

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Miscellaneous/Public Portion

No one came forward

Recess

The Council adjourned into Executive Session at 7:36 p.m. and reconvened into Open Session at 8:06 p.m.

Adjournment at 8:06 p.m.

Motion: Dunham, second Birmingham

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

Dated: May 6, 2015

Attested:

Approved:

Lori Harvin, Township Clerk

Richard W. Yocum, Council President