

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

June 26, 2013

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Roll Call

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

Mrs. Harvin said, "Let the record show that Mayor Felter and Police Chief Kevin Craig are present."

Salute to the Flag

Council Vice President Sanchelli asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Notice of Presiding Officer

Council Vice President Sanchelli said, "This Regular Council meeting for June 26, 2013, 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 June 20, 2013."

Swearing-In Ceremony of New Police Officers: William Carroll and Timothy Hecht

Chief Craig thanked the Mayor and Council for their continued support to the Police Department and for the hiring of new Police Officers.

Chief Craig asked Officer David Wroblewski and his family to come forward. Craig presented David's biography. Mayor Felter administered the Oath of Office to Officer Wroblewski while Officer Wroblewski's mother Shawn held the Bible and his father John pinned his badge. Officer Wroblewski was congratulated by the Council.

Appointment of Firefighter to Fire Company No. 1: Thomas R. Zarecki

Sanchelli asked Thomas R. Zarecki to come forward. Mayor Felter administered the Oath of Office while Chief VanVeen held the Bible. Sanchelli thanked Thomas for providing his services to the Township and presented Thomas with a Certificate of Appreciation and a Township pin and pen.

Appointment of Firefighter to Fire Dept. No. 2: Victor J. Scrivens

Sanchelli asked Victor J. Scrivens to come forward. Mayor Felter administered the Oath of Office while Chief Tovo held the Bible. Sanchelli thanked Victor for providing his services to the Township and presented Victor with a Certificate of Appreciation and a Township pin and pen.

Proclamation Declaring July Food Pantry Month

(67-A)

Sanchelli asked Girl Scout, Haley James, to come forward. Mayor Felter presented the Proclamation Declaring July Food Pantry Month. Haley explained her Gold Award Project and her efforts to collect food for the Township food pantry.

Proclamation & Resolution: Gold Award to Katelyn Cannarozzi

(67-B)

Katelyn Cannarozzi came forward along with her parents. Councilwoman Merz read the Resolution recognizing her on receiving her Gold Award. Merz presented Katelyn with a Township pin and pen. Mayor Felter presented the Proclamation congratulating Katelyn on the achievement of her Gold Award. Katelyn explained her Gold Award Project and received individual congratulations from the Council members.

Recess

The Council adjourned for recess at 7:24 p.m. and reconvened at 7:40 p.m. Birmingham was not present.

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Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

June 12, 2013 Regular Meeting All Members Present

Motion: Merz, second Dunham

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

Birmingham entered the meeting at 7:41 p.m.

Council Reports

Birmingham reported that the Rockaway River Watershed Coalition held a meeting and there was a discussion about possibly disbanding the group. A survey was distributed and all the responses to date are in favor of keeping the Coalition active. Birmingham said that the Coalition will continue with water testing. Birmingham commented that the Township needs 2 new representatives for the RRWC. The next meeting is September 11.

Merz reported that she was made aware that all the graduations and promotions went forward without any glitches and she expressed her congratulations to all the students. Merz said she would like to thank the Police Department and the Board of Education for ensuring that it was a safe weekend. Merz wished everyone a safe and enjoyable Fourth of July weekend.

Dunham said he would like to thank the Administration for finishing the Holland Mountain project. Felter said that there are a few areas to be finished on Friday but other than that, the project is completed. Dunham said he has noticed that the DPW has been out mowing side road areas and intersections and it has made a big difference with site distances at intersections.

Sanchelli said he goes to the Township's Recycling Center every Saturday morning and Tom McGrath does an outstanding job. The Center is organized and it is very well run.

Merz asked Felter if there are any updates on the Weldon Road Bridge over Route 15. Felter said he believes the work is ahead of schedule.

Administrative Report of Mayor and Administrator

Felter reported that the Administration will have the paving schedule to the Council shortly. Felter reported that work has been completed on a few catch and drainage basins. Felter said that some work on catch basins is going to begin on East Shore Road along with paving. Drainage work is going to be done on Notch Road. A full report will be out next week.

Miscellaneous/Public Portion

Sanchelli opened the meeting up for questions or comments.

Horace Chamberlain of 21 Chamberlain Road came forward. Chamberlain said he sent a letter 3 months ago to the Mayor and Council and he has not received a response. Felter said he is aware of the issue with the trees and he knows that Leach was working on this but he does not know the status. Felter said he will report back to Chamberlain when Leach returns to the office on Monday.

Chamberlain said that there have been 3 occasions when he has been awakened around 5 a.m. by a motor running. Chamberlain said he contacted the Police. Chamberlain said that this Spring, every Tuesday around 5:15 a.m. a garbage truck shows up behind the A&P. Dunham said that there is another shopping center by St. Thomas Church that has a garbage truck show up every Tuesday around 5:30 a.m. Felter said he will let the Police know. Cohen said the Ordinance is in place and it states 6 a.m.

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Sanchelli closed the public portion of the meeting.

Resolutions:

Resolution #13-52: Liquor License Renewal for Licensing Period July 1 2013 to June 30, 2014 (69-A)

Motion: Merz, second Dunham

The Council discussed issues with Charley's Tavern and Ridge Steak and Ale.

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

Resolution #13-53: Person to Person Transfer of Liquor License 1414-33-008-007, Lake Hopatcong Classics, II, LLC to A One Classic II, LLC (69-B)

Motion: Merz, second Dunham

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

Resolution #13-54: Assignment of Municipal Tax Sale Certificate (69-C)

Motion: Birmingham, second Dunham

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

Resolution #13-55: Approval of Bills (69-D)

Motion: Sanchelli, second Dunham

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

Motion to Approve:

PO No. 13-01738 Cub Scout Pack 111 - \$110.24

PO No. 13-01658 Jefferson Consolidated PTA - \$1,250.00

PO No. 13-01661 Darianne Masticola - \$250.00

PO No. 13-01662 Kyle Miller - \$750.00

Motion: Dunham, second Birmingham

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

Motion to Approve:

PO No. 13-01748 Headley Lumber - \$80.61

PO No. 13-01793 Headley Lumber Company - \$2,365.28

PO No. 13-01815 Headley Lumber Company - \$439.16

Motion: Merz, second Sanchelli

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

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Resolution #13-56: Authorize Passage of Consent Agenda

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Motion: Birmingham, second Dunham

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

Resolution #13-57: Authorizing the Extension of the Agreement for Township Department of Utilities to Operate and Maintain Wastewater Treatment Plants for the Jefferson Township Board of Education

(70-B)

Motion: Merz, second Birmingham

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

Miscellaneous/Public Portion

No one came forward.

Adjournment at 8:02 p.m.

Motion: Dunham, second Sanchelli

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

Dated: June 26, 2013

Attested:

Approved:

Lori Harvin, Township Clerk

Richard W. Yocum, Council President