

**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – WORKSHOP SESSION – JUNE 16, 2008**  
7:00PM MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 770 COOPERTOWN ROAD., DELANCO, NJ 08075

**ROLL CALL:**

**Devinney**, present; **Fitzpatrick**, present; **Hinkle**, present; **Templeton**, absent; **Ouellette**, absent  
**Also Present:** Mr. Corcoran, Twp. Administrator; Mrs. Lohr, Municipal Clerk; Lt. Sacalis, John Fenimore, Supt of Public Works

**FLAG SALUTE**

Mayor Ouellette led the flag salute

**SUNSHINE STATEMENT**

Please be advised that proper notice of this meeting has been given in compliance with the Sunshine Law in the following manner. Written notice has been mailed to the Burlington County Times and the Courier Post and has been posted on the official bulletin board of the Township of Delanco at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Steve Jass of 4 McCay Way asked various questions regarding the budget process including the information on Sheet 39 of the budget.

Since there were no further comments or questions from the public, Deputy Mayor Templeton closed the meeting to the public.

**RESOLUTION 2008-87**

***HONORING GRACE HARDING***

WHEREAS, the contributions and service given by those willing to serve their community should not go unrecognized; and

WHEREAS, *GRACE HARDING* has served the community and schools of the Township of Delanco for twenty-seven years; and

WHEREAS, *GRACE HARDING* has given the our community the utmost of dedication and excellence to our children, parents and all of the residents of our town through her dedication and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, the knowledge and unselfish devotion brought to Delanco Township Schools and to the entire township by *GRACE HARDING* will surely be missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of all of the citizens of the Township of Delanco, the Township Committee does hereby recognize and commend

*GRACE HARDING*

for her many years of service and devotion to the Township of Delanco, and extends our best wishes to her for a happy and healthy retirement.

**RESOLUTION 2008-88**

***HONORING MICHAEL LIVENGOOD***

WHEREAS, the contributions and service given by those willing to serve our community should not go unrecognized; and

WHEREAS, *MICHAEL LIVENGOOD* has dedicated twenty years as an educator of our children with Delanco Schools; and

WHEREAS, *MICHAEL LIVENGOOD* had served the Township of Delanco as our schools' Principal and then Superintendent with tireless energy and compassion for the children

of our community; and

WHEREAS, this honor is in recognition of *MICHAEL LIVENGOOD'S* outstanding professionalism and dedication as a leader in Education and service to Delanco; and

WHEREAS, the leadership, knowledge and unselfish devotion brought to Delanco Township Schools and to the entire township by *MICHAEL LIVENGOOD* will surely be missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of all of the citizens of the Township of Delanco, the Township Committee does hereby recognize and commend

*MICHAEL LIVENGOOD*

for his outstanding service and achievement in the field of Education and extends our best wishes to him in his future endeavors.

Motion by Ms. Fitzpatrick, seconded by Mrs. Hinkle to adopt Resolutions 2008-87 & 2008-88  
Roll Call: Devinney, yes; Fitzpatrick, yes; Hinkle, yes Templeton, yes; Ouellette, absent

### **2008 MUNICIPAL BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION**

Ms. Fitzpatrick recommended suspending the Municipal Open Space tax for this year and reducing the Municipal Clerk's salary by \$8,000.00 as the Housing Liaison position is not very busy any more.

The Municipal Clerk noted that the stipend for the Housing Liaison position is paid from the Housing Trust Account, not out of a budget salary line item.

The Township Administrator noted that the following must be added to the budget:

\$ 15,000 - Axon Litigation settlement payment  
30,000 – Taylor Design Group Master Plan services  
13,000 – Engineering services for CDBG project  
45,000 - Fuel  
\$103,000

Mr. Corcoran expressed concern with a potential drop in the tax collection rate

Mr. Corcoran noted that the budget at this time is at 8.3 cents +/- with the restored \$62,000 in state aid and added that the Mayor would had advised him that he would like to see the tax rate, at the most, be between seven and nine cents.

A discussion ensued regarding Public Works services including ways to save on fuel for such services as brush pickup.

Township Committee reviewed and discussed various line items in the budget including:

Compensated absences

Surplus

Construction Code – OE & SW

Anticipated revenue

Municipal Clerk OE – codification will need to be done

Police S&W reconciling worksheet items

Public Works OE

Public Building & Grounds – OE & SW

Vehicle Maintenance

NJDEP Stormwater Permits

Capital Improvement Fund

**RESOLUTION 2008-89**

**AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel & Litigation**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting, and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of Delanco Township has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the Public; and

**WHEREAS**, the regular meeting of this Governing Body will reconvene;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of Delanco Township will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

\_\_\_\_\_ Any matter which, by express provision of Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from discussion in public (Provision relied upon: );

\_\_\_\_\_ Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the federal government;

\_\_\_\_\_ Any matter the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy;

\_\_\_\_\_ Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public body

\_\_\_\_\_ Any matter involving the purpose, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed;

\_\_\_\_\_ Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection.

\_\_\_\_\_ Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law;

\_\_\_\_\_ Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer (If pending litigation, the matter is:

  X   Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting;

\_\_\_\_\_ Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act of omission for which the responding party bears responsibility;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Committee hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) may be made public at a time when the Township Attorney advises the Township Committee that the disclosure of the discussion will not

detrimentally affect any right, interest or duty of the Township or any other entity with respect to said discussion. That time is currently estimated as the time of the conclusion of said matter.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Township Committee, for the aforementioned reasons, hereby declares that the public is excluded from the portion of the meeting during which the above discussion shall take place and hereby directs the Township Clerk to take the appropriate action to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

Motion by Ms. Fitzpatrick, seconded by Mr. Devinney to adopt Resolution 2008-89

Roll Call: Devinney, yes; Fitzpatrick, yes; Hinkle, yes Templeton, yes; Ouellette, absent

Motion by Mrs. Hinkle, seconded by Mr. Devinney to return to public session

Roll Call: Devinney, yes; Fitzpatrick, yes; Hinkle, yes Templeton, yes; Ouellette, absent

Mrs. Hinkle reminded that the Delanco Township Committee was asked to join with the Beverly City Council and the Beverly and Delanco Sewerage Authorities regarding the dredge spoils issue at the Dunes. A discussion ensued.

Motion by Mrs. Hinkle, seconded by Mr. Devinney to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Devinney, yes; Fitzpatrick, yes; Hinkle, yes Templeton, yes; Ouellette, absent

Janice M. Lohr, RMC  
Municipal Clerk