

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – NOVEMBER 20, 2006
7:30 PM MUNICIPAL BUILDING 770 COOPERTOWN ROAD, DELANCO NJ

ROLL CALL: Devinney, present; DiCarlo, present; Hinkle, present; Ouellette, present; Fitzpatrick, present
Also Present: Deputy Municipal Clerk, Karen Zimmermann; Chief of Police, Chief Parsons

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Fitzpatrick 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 published in the January 3, 2006 editions. Written notice has been posted on the official bulletin board of the Township of Delanco at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT AND INTRODUCTION OF WALNUT STREET SCHOOL ELECTION WINNERS

Mayor Fitzpatrick announced the new mock election committee members of the Township Committee.

Mayor: Adam Dych

Deputy Mayor: Jennifer Baiada

Committee members: Heather France, Paul Newman and Jeremy Stoltz

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO WALNUT STREET SCHOOL STUDENTS

Mayor Fitzpatrick administered the oaths to the new “Township Committee members.” Mayor Fitzpatrick asked them to take their appropriate seats on the dais and asked newly appointed Mayor Dych to read part of the consent agenda items.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

(“Consent Agenda items are considered to be routine and will be enacted with a single motion. Any item requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent Agenda; all Consent Agenda items will be reflected in full in the minutes.”)

ORDINANCE 2006-26

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 110 GOVERNING “ZONING”

***FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY, AND SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR DECEMBER 18, 2006**

RESOLUTION 2006-149

RESOLUTION URGING ACTION BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE ON ETHICS REFORM

WHEREAS, restoring the public trust in government is an important and worthy goal; and

WHEREAS, recent weeks have brought an unprecedented wave of public

corruption scandals to New Jersey including the resignation of our Attorney General, guilty pleas from a former State Senate President and two municipal councilmen, and a report from a federal monitor accusing a sitting State Senator of ethical violations; and

WHEREAS, in the past five years, more than 97 public officials in New Jersey have been indicted or pled guilty to crimes by the United States Attorney for New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it has become commonplace in New Jersey for business entities to make substantial political contributions to the election campaigns of elected officers who are ultimately responsible for awarding professional contracts; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of these contracts to campaign contributors, in a practice that has become known as "Pay to Play," creates the appearance that government is for sale and that taxpayer dollars will flow to the highest campaign contributors; and

WHEREAS, all of this has led to the taxpayers of New Jersey losing confidence in the integrity of their government; and

WHEREAS, corruption only adds to the cost of government, which in turn has a direct impact on increasing property taxes for our taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco does hereby urge the New Jersey Legislature to act swiftly and enact legislation for ethical reforms that will help to restore the public trust and confidence in our government.

RESOLUTION 2006-150

REFUND OF 2006 TAX OVERPAYMENT

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has determined that the following has overpaid 4th quarter 2006 taxes; and

WHEREAS, the following has requested that a refund be made directly to them.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco that the Treasurer be authorized to send a check in the amount of \$797.70 payable to

Block 1109 Mona Berrevoets
Lot 1.01 200 Union Ave.
Delanco, NJ 08075

PAYMENT OF BILLS

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
GENERAL	\$225,573.52
PAYROLL	33,193.65
TRUST	9,061.46

GENERAL ACCOUNT – NOVEMBER 20, 2006

22946	ARCH WIRELESS	22.55
22947	BIRDSALL ENGINEERING INC	4 5,742.25
22948	BURLINGTON COUNTY TIMES	317.50
22949	BUD CONCRETE INC	138,503.99
22950	MONA BERREVOETS	797.70
22951	COMCAST	155.00

22952	EDMUNDS & ASSOCIATES INC	270.00
22953	EIC INSPECTION AGENCY CORP	4,134.60
22954	GE CAPITAL	339.00
22955	JIM LORINGERS BP	187.90
22956	RAYMOND S MOSLEY	831.61
22957	MATTHEW BENDER & CO INC	62.16
22958	LENORE MORAIS	75.00
22959	NEXTEL COMMUNICATIONS	982.75
22960	PEDRONI FUEL CO	1,773.16
22961	QSCEND TECHNOLOGIES INC	237.50
22962	RENWICK & ASSOCIATES	6,675.00
22963	SAFETY AUTO REPAIR	802.22
22964	SOUTH JERSEY SANITATION	9,907.44
22965	TREASURER COUNTY OF BURLINGTON	13,616.93
22966	TRIDENT LAND & TRANSFER CO	50.70
22967	VERIZON WIRELESS	88.56
TOTAL		\$225,573.52

CURRENT

22944	PAYROLL ACCOUNT	33,193.65
TOTAL		\$33,193.65

TRUST

1845	BIRDSALL ENGINEERING INC	8,569.81
1846	TAYLOR DESIGN GROUP INC	137.50
1847	HULSE & GERMANO ESQS LLC	236.25
1848	PARKER MCCAY-ATTORNEYS AT LAW	94.14
1849	DELANCO TWP CURRENT FUND	23.76
TOTAL		\$9,061.46

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 11/13/06

APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Jackie DiCarlo, seconded by Joan Hinkle to approve the consent agenda

Roll Call: Devinney, yes; DiCarlo, yes; Hinkle, yes; Ouellette, yes; Fitzpatrick, yes

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Fitzpatrick opened the meeting to the public.

MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

FY 2007 Community Development Block Grant Program

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she received information that this will be put on the December 4, 2006 Delanco Township Committee Meeting agenda.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

COMMENTS – TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR – Not Present

COMMENTS – DEPARTMENT HEADS

Police – Chief Parsons –

- resolved the handicap parking issue on Willow Street
- still have to address the two stop sign issues that he mentioned previously
- had to move the children to the other side of Burlington Avenue while the sidewalks were being installed

Public Works – Mr. John Fenimore – Not Present

Zoning and Code Enforcement – Not Present

Municipal Clerk – Nothing to report

COMMENTS – TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Fern Ouellette –

- attended the New Jersey League of Municipalities convention in Atlantic City and attended four sessions

Jackie DiCarlo –

- the Recreation Commission is still deciding where the tree lighting ceremony will be – it will either be at the Columns or the Gazebo
- announced that the Delanco Women’s Club purchased flags for the lamp posts on Burlington Avenue

Joan Hinkle –

- commented that she caught six cats in her backyard this week – suggested that residents keep their cats indoors
- thanked the Walnut Street School for setting up the Mock Election and tour of the Police Department and Township Administrative offices

Ed Devinney -

- attended the New Jersey League of Municipalities convention in Atlantic City and attended three sessions

Mayor Fitzpatrick -

- commented that she received many compliments about the contractor doing the sidewalks on Burlington Avenue
- reviewing RFP’s received for the Mansion and has made several appointments and hopes to have something to present to the public in December

Jack Hoefle, 44 Pennington Court, commented that there are three main entrances into Delanco. Mr. Hoefle stated that there is always litter at the skateboard park and asked if any of the young “Township Committee members” have any suggestions to solve this problem, because he feels this reflects poorly on the Township. Mr. Hoefle questioned the public meeting that was scheduled for November 29, 2006. Mayor Fitzpatrick said that the November 29th meeting has been cancelled.

Mayor Fitzpatrick asked all the new “elected officials” for their comments. They all had many comments, mostly about school problems or suggestions for the schools. The “elected officials” had many suggestions and questions for the Chief of Police.

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that Delanco Township is starting a neighborhood watch and

encouraged residents to submit their names to the Township.

Matt Baiada, 1001 Burlington Avenue, asked if they could move the curb out and the sidewalks in when they do the streetscape between the gas station and the school.

Janet Baiada, 1001 Burlington Avenue, commented that the Drama Club at Walnut Street School presented their second drama club play at the Walnut Street School. Mrs. Baiada suggested that more people attend these plays at the school. Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she should post these functions on the Delanco Township website. Mrs. Baiada announced that the PTO Holiday Auction is December 1, 2006 and tickets went on sale today.

Mayor Fitzpatrick stated that she is meeting with the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Livingood, and will suggest changing the starting time of the school dances.

Mayor Fitzpatrick thanked the new “members” of the Township Committee and the Mayor and stated that they had some wonderful suggestions for the Township. Mayor Fitzpatrick suggested that they write their suggestions down and submit them to the Township Committee and also to the School board for their review.

Committeewoman Joan Hinkle announced that the new “members” of the Township Committee could take their nameplates and oath of office home as a souvenir.

Mayor Fitzpatrick thanked the public for coming out to see the new “committee” members have an opportunity to work for them.

Mayor Fitzpatrick wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving day and a safe Holiday.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Joan Hinkle, seconded by Ed Devinney to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Mayor Dych, Deputy Mayor Baiada, Committeewoman France, Committeeman Newman, Committeeman Stoltz

Roll Call: Devinney, yes; DiCarlo, yes; Hinkle, yes; Ouellette, yes; Fitzpatrick, yes

Karen E. Zimmermann
Deputy Clerk
November 20, 2006