

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – MAY 21, 2007

7:30 PM MUNICIPAL BUILDING 770 COOPERTOWN ROAD, DELANCO NJ

ROLL CALL: Devinney, present; Fitzpatrick, absent; Hinkle, present; Templeton, present; Ouellette, present

Also Present: Twp. Administrator, Mr. Steven Corcoran; Municipal Clerk, Mrs. Janice Lohr; Deputy Municipal Clerk, Karen Zimmermann

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 published in the January 2, 2007 editions. Written notice has been posted on the official bulletin board of the Township of Delanco at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

ORDINANCE 2007-7

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING “AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DELANCO PROVIDING FOR AND DETERMINING THE RATE OF COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES”

***2ND READING BY TITLE ONLY AND PUBLIC HEARING**

HEARING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Ouellette opened the hearing to the public.

HEARING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Since there were no comments or questions from the public, Mayor Ouellette closed the hearing to the public.

Motion by Ed Devinney, seconded by Joan Hinkle to adopt Ordinance 2007-7

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

ORDINANCE 2007-7

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING “AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DELANCO PROVIDING FOR AND DETERMINING THE RATE OF COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES”

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco (“Township”) has previously passed “An Ordinance of the Township of Delanco Providing for and Determining the Rate of Compensation of Officers and Employees” (hereinafter “the Salary Ordinance”) and has amended same from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Salary Ordinance has previously referenced salary ranges; and
WHEREAS, State statutory provisions indicate that salary’s and “compensation” be set forth by Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, upon recommendation by the Township Solicitor, the Township desires to amend the Ordinance to ensure incorporation of all compensation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the Salary Ordinance is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. Additional compensation, in addition to salaries in accord with the ranges set forth above, is referenced in the following employment contracts, approved by prior Township Resolutions:

- Assistant Superintendent of Public Works, dated January 1, 2002
- Chief of Police, dated January 1, 2006
- Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer, dated July 21, 2003
- Superintendent of Public Works, dated January 1, 2002
- Township Administrator, dated January 1, 2004
- Township Clerk, dated January 1, 2003

Said employment contracts are on file with the Township Clerk and shall include any and all addendums or amendments that have been agreed to those contracts between the respective parties and which are also on file with the Township Clerk.

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.”)

RESOLUTION 2007-79

AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS TO PERKINS LANE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco has determined to provide for improvements to Perkins Lane in Delanco Township through a New Jersey Dept. of Transportation Grant; and

WHEREAS, the governing body awarded a contract for the project under Resolution 2006-125 for said improvements to Perkins Lane in Delanco Township; and

WHEREAS, the governing body and its engineer have determined that certain additional work (change in contract quantities) is required for said project in the additional amount of \$139.79 as set forth on the attached Change Order No. 1.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that it does hereby authorize and approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$139.79

RESOLUTION 2007-80

SUPPORTING THE *CLICK IT OR TICKET MOBILIZATION OF MAY 21 – JUNE 3, 2007*

Supporting the *Click It or Ticket Mobilization of May 21 – June 3, 2007*

Whereas, there were 773 motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2006; and

Whereas, a large percentage of the motor vehicle occupants killed in traffic crashes were not wearing a safety belt; and

Whereas, use of a safety belt remains the most effective way to avoid death or serious injury in a motor vehicle crash; and

Whereas, the National Highway traffic Safety Administration estimates that 135,000 lives were saved by safety belt usage nationally between 1975-2000; and

Whereas, the State of New Jersey will participate in the nationwide *Click It or Ticket* safety belt mobilization from May 21 – June 3, 2007 in an effort to raise awareness and increase safety belt usage through a combination of enforcement and education; and

Whereas, the division of Highway Traffic Safety has set a goal of increasing the safety belt usage rate in the state from the current level of 90% to 92%; and

Whereas, a further increase in safety belt usage in New Jersey will save lives on our roadways;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco declares it's Support for the *Click It or Ticket* safety belt mobilization both locally and nationally from May 21 – June 3, 2007 and pledges to increase Awareness of the mobilization and the benefits of safety belt use.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
GENERAL	\$119,648.09
PAYROLL	57,171.04
TRUST	867.22
CAPITAL	1,200.00
RECREATION TRUST	213.74

GENERAL ACCOUNT – MAY 21, 2007

23449	BURLINGTON COUNTY TIMES	234.66
23450	CERTIFIED SPEEDOMETER SERV INC	136.00
23451	COMCAST	105.22
23452	DOMENIC'S AUTO BODY & TOWING	322.57
23453	FITZGERALD & CO	301.45
23454	FORCE FABRICATIONS	706.00
23455	GALLS INC	15.98
23456	GE CAPITAL	339.00
23457	LAND ENGINEERING & SURVEYING	809.89
23458	MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	276.90
23459	MEREDITH PAVING CORP	5,390.31
23460	JOHN MILLER	1,015.00
23461	MICHELMAN & BRICKER PC	4,080.00
23462	NEXTEL COMMUNICATIONS	1,324.47
23463	NJ STATE HEALTH BENEFIT PROG	28,513.31
23464	OAKWOOD UNIFORM & EQUIP INC	285.30
23465	PEDRONI FUEL CO	6,299.76
23466	PSE&G	8,435.37
23467	PARKER MCCAY-ATTORNEYS AT LAW	740.50
23468	RIVERSIDE NAPA AUTO PARTS	153.89
23469	SAFETY AUTO REPAIR	1,173.64
23470	SOUTH JERSEY SANITATION	10,454.75
23471	STEWART BUSINESS SYSTEMS	699.19
23472	TERMINIX INTERNATIONAL	113.00
23473	TREASURER COUNTY OF BURLINGTON	15,390.97
23474	TAYLOR DESIGN GROUP INC	29,448.62
23475	MICHAEL W THOMPSON	1,015.00
23476	W B MASON CO INC	527.49

23477	XTEL COMMUNICATIONS INC	1,339.85
TOTAL		\$119,648.09

CAPITAL

1511	SHAFFER DESOUZA BROWN INC	1,200.00
TOTAL		\$1,200.00

RECREATION

1005	DAVID RUST	213.74
TOTAL		\$213.74

TRUST

1899	HULSE & GERMANO ESQS LLC	33.75
1900	PENNONI ASSOCIATES INC	833.47
TOTAL		\$867.22

APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mike Templeton, seconded by Ed Devinney to approve the consent agenda.
Roll Call: Devinney, yes; Fitzpatrick, absent; Hinkle, yes; Templeton, yes; Ouellette, yes

CORRESPONDENCE

The Municipal Clerk, Mrs. Janice Lohr reported that she received a renewal notice letter to the local board of health members for membership dues of \$95.00.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Ouellette opened the meeting to the public.

1. Marlene Jass, 4 McCay Way, asked for an explanation of Resolution 2007-79 and Resolution 2007-80. Ms. Jass asked if the Township Engineer, Mr. Denton was assisting in the grant application process and if the Township is paying him to do this.
2. Jack Hoefle, 44 Pennington Court, asked:
 - if there was a final copy of the resolution releasing the bonds for the three sections of Newton’s Landing
 - if the walk thru had taken place with the Township Engineer and Pulte Homes representative and asked if a report follow
 - noted that it has been 5-6 weeks since the landscaping has been done by the basins and they would like to see the flowers growing in the basins and asked if anyone was monitoring the basins – there will be a fall planting of the wild flowers
3. Marlene Jass, 4 McCay Way, reported that the seeds never took in the basins. Ms. Jass expressed her concern about the monitoring of the future developments in the Township to make sure that things are adhered to.
4. Marisa Karamanoogian, 417 Kansas Avenue, complained about the grass height on the corner property at Burlington and Kansas Avenues and asked how she could remedy the situation since it has been ongoing for years. Mrs. Karamanoogian stated that there are a lot of children in the neighborhood and they are covered with ticks from this property.

5. Ralph McCullough, 308 Buttonwood Avenue, complained about the grass at Pennington Park. A discussion ensued. Committeewoman Joan Hinkle stated that she counted 66 dead trees at Pennington Park and she is making a request to have these trees removed.

6. Marisa Karamanoogian, 417 Kansas Avenue, asked the Township Committee members if there was anything they could do about the abundance of ticks in Delanco. The Township Administrator, Mr. Steven Corcoran will reach out to the County and the Mosquito Commission for their assistance with the tick situation.

MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. MEMORIAL DAY PARADE (Sunday, May 27th)

Mayor Ouellette announced that the parade will begin on Larchmont Avenue at 1:30PM and proceed down Burlington Avenue to Union Avenue, to Second Street and up Willow and end at Gateway Park. A discussion ensued regarding signage for Burlington Avenue for the parade.

2. 2007 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

The Township Administrator, Mr. Steven Corcoran gave a brief explanation of the cap law regarding the under cap and over cap. Mr. Corcoran stated that they have submitted a cap waiver in the amount of \$298,000 to the State. A discussion ensued regarding notification of meetings. The Municipal Clerk, Mrs. Janice Lohr clarified the Township Committee Meeting date of June 11, 2007 as the public hearing for the budget. Mayor Ouellette stated that the municipal budget local purpose tax is presently at 21 cents. Committeeman Mike Templeton stated that they are looking everywhere to find cuts and are considering the Open Space fund to help the parks, public and recreation areas.

COMMENTS – TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Steven Corcoran

- announced that Tuesday, May 22, 2007 is Cops and Lobsters Day at Red Lobster and Delanco Township will be participating between 11:00AM and 2:00PM
- announced that Winston Chafin has resigned as the Emergency Management Coordinator – Mr. Corcoran made the recommendation to move this function into the Police Department – A discussion ensued – Mr. Corcoran stated that the Emergency Management Committee will remain in tact

Motion by Joan Hinkle, seconded by Ed Devinney authorizing the move of the Emergency Management Coordinator function to the Delanco Police Department

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

COMMENTS – DEPARTMENT HEADS

Municipal Clerk – Mrs. Janice Lohr –

- asked the Township Committee if they were presenting a wreath at the Memorial Day Parade and asked if they wanted individual flowers for the Committee members
- announced that the Primary Election is June 5th and District 6 will be voting at the Municipal Building for the primary and general election

COMMENTS – TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Mike Templeton –

- spent over 20 hours the past week working on the budget and it has been a learning process for him and he has worked with the CFO the past few weeks

Joan Hinkle –

- had their share of meetings this month about the Mansion and budget
- happy to report that representatives from the Township will be meeting with the Sewerage Authority to discuss the fair share program
- reminded everyone of the Garden Tour and Tea sponsored by the Women's Club

Ed Devinney –

- attended a half day seminar on ethics sponsored by the League of Municipalities
- visited the Vietnam War Memorial at the PNC Art Center in Holmdel and encouraged people to take a look at it
- attended and participated in a NJ League of Municipalities teleseminar on private funding opportunities for public entities
- attended a School Board meeting and there is a mandate in New Jersey for improving the safety of the playground equipment – the insurance company for the school has informed them that they can't insure the existing playground behind the Pearson School because it doesn't meet the new specifications – they were told to keep the children off the playground equipment – the playground will be declared off limits as of October 1, 2007 – suggested that perhaps larger businesses in town contribute to the purchase of new equipment

Mayor Ouellette –

- reported that he and Roseann Lameiras attended a introductory course on doing the census for 2010 in Philadelphia, PA
- attended memorial service at the emergency building in Westampton for firemen, emergency squad and police department

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

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

Janice M. Lohr, RMC
Municipal Clerk
May 21, 2007