

**CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 16, 2015**

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee was held on the above date at the time of 6:00 p.m. Committeemen Pelura, Dowe, Brown and Gatanis were present. Dr. Racite was absent from this meeting. Also present at this meeting were M. Stout-CMFO/Administrator, J. Proffitt-Clerk, G. Gilbert-Public Works, G. Krivda-Police Chief, E. Biermann-Engineer and A. Rhea-Solicitor.

Mayor Gatanis called the meeting to order and read the **Open Public Meeting Act**. He led the **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**. Roll call was taken.

Motion that **all properly audited vouchers be paid** was made by Mr. Pelura, seconded by Mr. Dowe and all were in favor.

Under **Consent Agenda** a motion was made by Mr. Dowe, seconded by Mr. Brown to accept all **Monthly Committee Reports from August 2015**. All were in favor.

Mr. Pelura motioned to approve the **Administrative Compensatory time report**, seconded by Mr. Dowe and all were in favor.

Mr. Brown motioned to approve the **Minutes from the September 2, 2015 regular Committee meeting**, seconded by Mr. Dowe and all were in favor.

Under **Applications** Mayor Gatanis mentioned **Park Permits #48 to 49** all at the Rec. Complex. Mr. Dowe made a motion to approve all permits, seconded by Mr. Pelura and all were in favor. A **Social Affairs Permit** for the VFW at 100 Margaret St. on October 4th. Motioned by Mr. Pelura, seconded by Mr. Brown and all were in favor. **Educational Enhancement** for Marie Stout CMFO to attend "Utilizing municipally held tax sale certificates thought assignment and foreclosure" on October 9th at a cost of \$75.00. Motioned by Mr. Pelura, seconded by Mr. Dowe and all were in favor. **Educational Enhancement** for Marie Stout CMFO to attend "Maintaining Municipal General Ledgers" on October 2nd at a cost of \$245.00 which will be paid by Alloway Township. Mr. Pelura motioned to accept, seconded by Mr. Brown and all were in favor. **Educational Enhancement** for Marie Stout to attend Billing, Collecting & Reporting review on September 25. At a cost of \$150 which will be paid by Mannington Township. CEU's will be received for all courses. Motioned on by Mr. Pelura, seconded by Mr. Brown and all were in favor.

RESOLUTION 2015-145

PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE RENEWAL

Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the renewal of the Plenary Retail Distribution License, seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2015-146

PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE RENEWAL

Mr. Pelura made a motion to approve the renewal of the Plenary Retail Consumption License, seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2015-147
CLUB LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL

Motion was made by Mr. Brown to approve the renewal of all Club Alcohol Licenses. Seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2015-148
CONSENT AND EXECUTION OF TREATMENT WORKS APPROVAL

Motion was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Dowe. Mr. Pelura asked if this is for the wastewater treatment plant. Mr. Biermann said it is related to the treatment plant. Mr. Pelura asked to table this until the Committee gets clarification on if this is a treatment plant. According to the letter received today they are not. Mr. Biermann explained that DuPont's has wells around the property which are for the containment from the site. The water from those wells has to be treated through their treatment plant. This is a pretreatment process for those wells. Those wells prevent ground water contamination from moving to municipal wells. The application is not related to any other waste treated at the treatment site. This is a benefit to the Community and keeps those wells operating. Mr. Pelura said they are saying they have no waste water treatment site. Mr. Pelura said we need clarification before anything is done. Ms. Rhea said there is no legal reason why this cannot be approved according to the Engineer. Mr. Pelura said the letter received stated they do not treat any outside wastewater. They forget they treat Co-Gen and Prax Air which are outside. Mr. Pelura said it is bad enough we may loss other funds so we can't give this up. Before any permits are given we need clarification first. Mr. Dowe asked if there is a time frame on this permit. Mr. Biermann said it would delay their implementation of the process. They need to formalize the temporary permit from the DEP. With no second on the motion to table this motion fails. The final vote is as follows: Mr. Pelura voting no while Mr. Dowe, Mr. Brown and Mayor Gatani voting yes.

RESOLUTION 2015-149
PURCHASE TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Mr. Brown motioned to authorize the purchase from NJ State Contract a telecommunication system, seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2015-150
NJDOT ROUTE 48 JURISDICTIONAL AGREEMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Brown to approve the Jurisdictional Agreement with the New Jersey Dept. Of Transportation for improvements to Rt. 48 Laytons Lake Dam, seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2015-151
ESTABLISH MAINTENANCE BOND PERIOD

Mr. Brown made a motion for the maintenance bond provided by Ricky Slade Construction, Inc. is approved and shall remain in full force and effect through August 19, 2016. Motion seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2015-152
APPOINT BOOKING CLERKS

Mr. Dowe made a motion to authorize the hiring of Arnold DiTeodoro, III, Antonia Sanchez, Julia Morales and Colin Caswell as part-time Booking Clerks. Motion was seconded by Mr. Brown and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2015-153
CONTRACT WITH JOSEPH KETTEL OF APPRAISAL ECONOMICS

Motioned by Mr. Brown to authorize a contract with Joseph Kettel of Appraisal Economics for pending Tax Court matters, seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous roll call vote was taken.

Final reading of Ordinance 906

ORDINANCE 906

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 212 OF THE CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP CODE TO AMEND THE HEIGHTS REGULATIONS FOR SHEDS, POLE BARNs AND GARAGES ON CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES. Ms. Rhea said this went to the Planning Board and there was some language added to the effect of no second floor and no residential structure. This will be written up and reintroduced at the next meeting.

Under **Correspondence**; Mayor Gatani mentioned a letter from a resident on Georgetown Road with a complaint about Route 295 poor road conditions. Mr. Biermann said there is not much the Township can do because it is State highway, but a letter can be sent with concerns to NJDOT. Mr. Pelura motioned, seconded by Mr. Brown and all were in favor.

Mayor Gatani mentioned a letter from Kevin Watsey, NJ American Water on a rate increase. The letter stated per average household water would increase \$4.21 per month and there would be an increase of \$1.50 per fire hydrant per month. The letter said the last increase was in May of 2012. Mayor Gatani said this will be effective September 11th.

Under **Old Business**: Mr. Biermann explained the request for approval for Professional Services for the 2016 NJDOT Municipal Roadway State Aid Application. Mr. Pelura motioned to approve the application, seconded by Mr. Dowe and all were in favor.

Chief Krivda mentioned a parade permit from the School for the Homecoming Parade on October 24th. Last year they started the parade from the Lafayette School and came around to the back end of the High School. This year they are coming from Barber Ave Park to Harding Highway and down to the High School. The Chief feels he needs three extra people to contain traffic. Each officer will get paid three hours overtime. Mrs. Stout said this is in the agreement with the school. Whenever it is a school activity they will reimburse the Township per invoice.

Ms. Rhea mentioned the bid results for the third party bidders. She said she needs time to look the contracts over. The lower bidder did not comply and the other bid was confusing.

Mr. Dowe mentioned to the residents that the Recreation Commission was holding their Annual Community Yard Sale. It will be on Saturday, September 19th starting at 7 am to 2 pm., with a rain date on Sunday, September 20th.

Mr. Dowe also mentioned that a long time teacher Cheryl Drabold Mason at Penns Grove Middle School has passed away.

Mr. Brown said he and the Mayor attended a pre-construction meeting at the County. They have three projects going on. Resurface and additional handicap curb cuts on Hollywood Ave. Mr. Brown said they asked to do this over Spring Break due to traffic issues. Mayor Gatani said they are doing the road from Pennsville Auburn Road wrapping around to Route 130. This is money from a State Grant. Mr. Pelura asked about the delay in doing this project.

With no **New Business**, Mayor Gatani moved on to the **Public Participation** of the meeting.

Martin Cleary of Broad St. asked can't the Fire Police be used for blocking off roads. The Chief said he would bill the school for the time and officers. Mr. Cleary made the comment that when you hired the last two officers, why did they not have to speak Spanish. You asked that the dispatchers speak Spanish. Chief Krivda responded that it was advertised as bilingual a plus not mandatory. Lastly, Mr. Cleary asked the Mayor if he and Dr. Racite cleaned up the Sewerage plant yet.

Edward Voyles of Penns Grove Auburn Road could the Township look into other companies to deliver water. This may be a cost savings. He also asked if the Water Company is leasing the water tower, maybe something could be worked out.

**RESOLUTION 2015-154
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Brown motioned to convene into Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken. The regular meeting ended at 6:41 pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Brown to reconvene in regular session, seconded by Mr. Pelura and all was in favor. The regular meeting reconvened at 7:07 pm with the following action being taken.

**RESOLUTION 2015-155
AUTHORIZE A CONTRACT WITH JOSEPH J. MARAZITI, ESQ.**

Mr. Pelura made a motion to authorize a contract for Professional Services with Joseph J. Maraziti, Esq. for special services in regard to the contract dispute asserted by Chambers Cogen Limited Partnership. Motion seconded by Mr. Dowe and a unanimous vote was taken.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Brown to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Dowe. Motion passed with four affirmative votes. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Approved: 10/7/2015


June Proffitt, Municipal Clerk