

February 2, 2016

AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Hazlet Township Committee held at 8:08 p.m.

Salute to the flag and moment of silent prayer called by the Mayor.

Mayor's Statement – Open Public Meetings Act & Emergency Fire Exits.

In Compliance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting of the Township Committee was provided in the following manner:

- (A) On January 4, 2016, advance written notice of this meeting was posted at:
1766 Union Avenue, Hazlet, New Jersey.
- (B) On January 7, 2016, advance written notice of this meeting was forwarded to the Independent and published in the Asbury Park Press on January 6, 2016.
- (C) On January 4, 2016, copies of advance written notice of this meeting were mailed to all persons who requested and paid for such notices on or before January 1, 2016.

FIRE EXITS are located in the directions I am indicating:

Farther down at the end of the room, through the doors and down the stairs, directly out the front door.

To my right is the door, make a right down the hallway which leads to the stairs and directly out the rear of the building.

If you are alerted for fire, please move in a calm and orderly manner to the nearest exit. Finally, let the record reflect that the minutes of this meeting will accurately reflect the topics addressed during this meeting but will not be a verbatim transcript of tonight's proceedings. Thank you. I direct the Municipal Clerk to enter into the minutes of this meeting these announcements.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Committeeman DiNardo	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Committeewoman Ronchetti	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Committeeman Sachs	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Deputy Mayor Kiley	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Mayor Aagre	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

Approval of Minutes – Reorganization Minutes – January 1, 2016.
Workshop Meeting – January 19, 2016.
Regular Meeting – January 19, 2016.

Offered Deputy Mayor Kiley 2nd Committeewoman Ronchetti
Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes
Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes
Mayor Aagre Yes

Approval of Executive Session Minutes – January 19, 2016.

Offered Deputy Mayor Kiley 2nd Committeewoman Ronchetti
Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes
Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes
Mayor Aagre Yes

Reports:

MUNICIPAL COURT – November 2015 – Total fees collected - \$26,324.01.
December 2015 – Total fees collected - \$23,128.03.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – December 2015 – Received and read.

CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL – December 2015 – Total fees collected - \$35,103.00.
2015 Year End Report – Total fees collected - \$387,865.00.

TAX COLLECTOR – November and December 2015 – Received and read.

Resolutions, Motions and Appointments:

Resolutions #63 through #66 are by Consent Agenda. All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Township Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussions of these items. If discussion is desired by the Mayor or any member of the Township Committee, that item will be removed and will be considered separately. Advance copies of each resolution have been given to each Committee Member. The original resolutions are with the Municipal Clerk for inspection as listed below.

63. Amending Resolution #18 (Order of Business).
64. Rescinding Resolution #62 (Appointment of Edward Tuberton).
65. Release of the performance guarantee for Quick Chek Sign, Block 68.13, Lot 10.

66. Issuance of Raffle Licenses RL-4064 and RL-4065 to the Church of St. Catharine and RL-4066 to Booster and Friends of Holy Family Church.

Offered Committeewoman Ronchetti

2nd Committeeman DiNardo

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes

Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes

Committeeman Sachs Absent

Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

PUBLIC HEARING

Anyone who would like to address the Township Committee regarding the below listed Resolutions on the Agenda, please come up, state your name and address and then print your name and address on the sign in sheet.

Bill Shewan- Item #70 Authorizing Monmouth County Mosquito Control Division to conduct an Ariel Mosquito Control Operations I did look at the detail. I was involved in an incident in Staten Island where a spray took place by the garbage dump and the cars were going left and right trying to avoid what was coming out of the plane no one knew what it was. Part of that problem was not proper notification within the County of Richmond and I do know that they are going to notify the Township and I do hope that the Township takes the proper steps to notify the citizens of this town when it is going to happen in view of the fact this is a high density community.

Administrator Pino- We do Bill, typically we get advised probably about a week or so before they are about to spray. We even get a photo of the helicopter or aerial equipment they are using and post it on the website, Facebook and Twitter and think Jim may put that out on Nixel once in a while I am not sure. We notify any who is going to look at all those electronic means.

Mr. Shewan- Even so I am sure the police department gets a lot of calls when a plane goes over. Also, can you publish or provide the chemicals that are going to be used even though they are approved by the federal government.

Administrator Pino- I think we can ask.

Charles Hoffman- I concur with Mr. Shewan. Number 71 does that mean that our sewer repair truck can finally go to work?

Committeeman DiNardo- No that means he holds the credentials to sign off on our sewer once a year. You have to have somebody with a C3 License and it is actually a cost savings. The truck does do work now this is a formality. This is a savings Committeeman Sachs brought this to our attention and it does save us \$5,000.00.

Mr. Hoffman- Can you give me some information as to what #72 and #73 are all about? You are moving money around so I would like to know what it is.

Administrator Pino- We have a temporary budget and there is only “X” amount of dollars by a percentage put in by the Chief Financial Officer for a certain period of time that last so long then they replenish it until the full operating budget is approved and adopted.

Mayor Aagre- It is typical for the beginning of the year that we work on a temporary budget.

Administrator Pino- You will see this every couple of weeks.

Motion to close hearing:

Offered Committeeman DiNardo 2nd Committeewoman Ronchetti

Voice vote: Yes

67. Amending Resolution #54 (Police Salary Step Increase).

Offered Committeeman DiNardo 2nd Deputy Mayor Kiley

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes

Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

68. Amending Resolution #52 (Part Time Dispatchers).

Offered Committeeman DiNardo 2nd Deputy Mayor Kiley

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Abstain

Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

69. Authorizing the payment of Accumulated Absences for Marilyn Colas.

Offered Committeeman DiNardo 2nd Committeewoman Ronchetti

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes

Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

70. Authorizing the Monmouth County Mosquito Control Division to conduct aerial mosquito control operations.

Offered Mayor Aagre 2nd Committeeman DiNardo

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes
 Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes
 Mayor Aagre Yes

71. Authorizing the retainment of Edward Tuberton as a licensed C3 Sanitary Sewer Collection Systems Operator.

Offered Committeeman DiNardo 2nd Mayor Aagre

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes
 Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes
 Mayor Aagre Yes

72. Emergency Temporary Appropriations.

Offered Deputy Mayor Kiley 2nd Committeewoman Ronchetti

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes
 Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes
 Mayor Aagre Yes

73. Transfer of Appropriation Reserves.

Offered Committeeman DiNardo 2nd Mayor Aagre

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes
 Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes
 Mayor Aagre Yes

Ordinance Introductions:

1. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING “AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FEES FOR THE HAZLET SWIM AND TENNIS CLUB” FOR THE 2016 SEASON

Title read by: Committeewoman Ronchetti

Hearing Date: February 16, 2016.

Offered Committeewoman Ronchetti 2nd Deputy Mayor Kiley

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes
 Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes
 Mayor Aagre Yes

2. AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND ESTABLISHING THE SCHEDULE OF SALARIES, SALARY RANGES, INCREMENTS, WAGES AND FEES FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE HAZLET TOWNSHIP SWIM AND TENNIS CLUB FOR 2016

Title read by: Committeeman DiNardo

Hearing Date: February 16, 2016.

Offered Committeeman DiNardo 2nd Mayor Aagre

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes
 Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes
 Mayor Aagre Yes

3. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 196 (FEES) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAZLET, RECREATION FEES FOR 2016

Title read by: Mayor Aagre

Hearing Date: February 16, 2016.

Offered Mayor Aagre 2nd Committeeman DiNardo

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes
 Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes
 Mayor Aagre Yes

Payment of Bills:

Advance bill lists have been supplied to each Committee Member.

Offered Committeewoman Ronchetti 2nd Deputy Mayor Kiley

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes
 Committeeman Sachs Absent Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes
 Mayor Aagre Yes

Citizens Hearing:

Charles Hoffman- There was an article in the Patch dealing with Lead in the drinking water and that some communities in Northern NJ whose levels of lead are higher than that in Michigan Detroit. A few years back the Legislature passed a law that there was supposed to be a program started, an Anti-Lead Poisoning Law and there was supposed to be money appropriated for this program to have it go forward to educate people possibly help communities solve the problem, etc. Evidently, almost every year since that law has been passed money has been put against it and then drained off and put somewhere else in the State budget. I think our township should go on record with the Governor and let him know this is unacceptable. Right now it does not affect us, Hazlet Township but it is not right.

Deputy Mayor Kiley- Did the article read there was a problem with the drinking water in Hazlet? I did not read the article.

Mr. Hoffman- No other communities but what I meant was that it seemed to be the communities that are depressed if that is the word to use. This money is not being put against this it is being siphoned off each year and put into something else because they are trying to balance a budget and so forth and so on. This is an awful thing with little children.

Mayor Aagre- Did the article state whether the towns, cities, etc., who are being affected are writing to the Governor or State?

Mr. Hoffman- I do not know if they are or not. I would like to compliment the Department of Public Works at least in my area they did a good job removing the snow.

Deputy Mayor Kiley- We actually did get a lot of emails complimenting the job they did during the storm.

Bill Shewan- I will second that on the Department of Public Works they did a great job this year with the amount of snow and the timing. I want to address the budget not the specifics of the budget so I am not breaking out on something that has not been approved. I would like to address how the budget was done in the past and what approach is taken in the future for considerations. Our approach is basically the traditional approach which accepts what is given to start off with and only those variances are looked at very seriously. There are different forms that can be used on budgeting such as zero based budgeting that assumes you look at every line item and start from scratch and you look at the economy in terms of where you can save not necessarily those line items that are increased. Other commentary is in terms of the presentation, I was there on Saturday not for the whole presentation but from what I heard and I respect Tom's presentation however, strictly from a financial perspective and it assumes that everything is in place from the previous year and what we are looking for is more taxes the bottomless barrel. I heard taxes, taxes, taxes and to me this is something that when it comes to what is happening in our town as well as other towns a different approach has to be taken. I do remember approximately 5 years ago I attended a budget meeting where basically we were not taken the traditional approach but taking the zero based or activity based type budgeting. There was brainstorming going on and there were placquets put on the wall and every committee person was asked what are our problems, what are we doing wrong and what are we doing right? From that day on there was a lot of discussion that obviously happened after the fact. I think this was a great way to start and it is a form of zero based budgeting or activity based instead of making the assumption that

everything from the prior year is ok other than those items that have increased. That is a suggestion that I am making as a citizen and also I would make another suggestion in view of the fact that citizens are silent in this why can't you innovate and consider a citizen sitting in on this dais during the sessions and have the opportunity to discuss not to vote and bring forward problems. I am not campaigning for myself and I think this may enlighten what the citizen may think and contribute.

Mayor Aagre-There were no votes on Saturday at the first budget meeting there are so many liquid parts so to even have a person up here it would be more of a thing to educate that person of what things are being done or how they are currently done to even get an opinion and that would have prolonged it. We look at each line item and we do have the two years prior so we can see what was budgeted and what was actually spent and all that. As far as regards to you heard taxes, taxes, taxes I didn't hear any of that and in fact we don't want to increase taxes.

Mr. Shewan- I heard it from Tom he repeated we need more taxes for the future.

Mayor Aagre- That was Tom that is why we are here, he prepares a budget based on input from each department head. Last year what was expended, what was budgeted and goes on from there and projects it out based on contracts and things that have been talked about. It is our duty the Committee to go through even new hires, we will go through each department and see if these people are required and if we could shift or share some of the work. One thing we were talking about was centralizing supplies. Budget talks we do talk about closed session items and that is why you can't have a resident part of the team. That is why we invite the public to the meetings at least you can hear what is going on. When we are ready to finalize and prior to adoption we can do a presentation and the public can have an opportunity to say something.

Mr. Shewan - I am looking from a business perspective and I have sat in on budget meetings and drawn up budgets and in most cases each department usually in a business is trying to spend what is in their budget so the next year their budget isn't reduced and those are the kind of things you really want to look at as far as the justification such as, when it was talked about buying office supplies how many other things might be done.

Mayor Aagre- Again, that department didn't spend any money because they had gotten it from Administration side.

Mr. Shewan – Then the money is transferred somewhere else. There is money that is transferred from some accounts that are not justified with regard to the amount of money that is spent and yet the next year the same amount of money is going into that account.

Mayor Aagre- You missed that portion of the meeting where we are actually questioning those items. Again it is a budget and you will have some unforeseen items towards the later part of the year when transfers are being done where some departments didn't spend, some projects or something extra so that is where you see the transfers. Again, it is a budget and that is what we try to adhere to but we are looking at each line very closely this year because of incentive cost is zero. We don't want to increase taxes, we are all residents here and we all go through the same aches and pains.

Mr. Shewan- I do realize there are times we do have to increase taxes don't get me wrong, I understand that. The format that is why I mentioned a different approach as zero based. I only

bring it up as a recommendation. With regard to taxes it is a bottomless pit, it appears that a lot of towns, I am not accusing our town, but increase taxes you can go to that pit and always increase taxes to the point that you lose your citizens.

Charles Hoffman- We are now down to two weeks on recycling? What's up?

Mayor Aagre- It is every two weeks, it used to be every two weeks then it went to every three weeks for the past five or six years. In talking with DPW and the residents it seems like an easier schedule to keep every two weeks. It was a cost savings to move it to every 3 weeks but we looked at it a few weeks ago or so and it was not a large number to accommodate the residents. Is it a good thing or bad thing for you Mr. Hoffman?

Mr. Hoffman- It is not a problem for me.

David Kestner- One of the line items in the budget that I would think you would have an extreme surplus on is the fuel budget for all of the vehicles in town. I bring it up because us people on social security were denied an increase because of how much is being saved on the fuel costs. I would hope that some of that surplus does exist.

Administrator Pino- That number was highlighted to be going back to when we are getting down to the bottom line.

Mayor Aagre- I believe that was one item that was considered for a \$100,000.00 deduction.

Motion to close hearing:

Offered Committeewoman Ronchetti

2nd Deputy Mayor Kiley

Voice vote: Yes

Motion to adjourn:

Offered Committeewoman Ronchetti

2nd Deputy Mayor Kiley

Voice vote: Yes

Time: 8:40PM