

September 20, 2016

AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Hazlet Township Committee held at 8:20 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 Asbury Park Press. It was also published in the Asbury Park Press on February 10, 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>

PRESENTATION OF GOOD CITIZENS AWARD TO MOIRA AND LIAM McCARRON

Accepted by: Moira McCarron

Accepted by: Liam McCarron

Ordinance Hearings:

1. BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR RADIO COMMUNICATION IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF AN E-TICKETING SYSTEM, BY AND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HAZLET, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$350,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$305,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

Introduced: August 2, 2016.

Published in The Asbury Park Press, issue of August 5, 2016. Proof on file.

Posted in Town Hall – August 3, 2016.

Hearing was held on September 6, 2016.

Action of Committee: Adopt X

Offered Committeeman DiNardo

2nd Committeewoman Ronchetti

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes

Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes

Committeeman Sachs Absent

Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

2. CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAZLET, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$450,000 FOR A LEOCADIA COURT MUNICIPAL GARAGE, APPROPRIATING \$450,000 FROM THE SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Introduced: September 6, 2016.

Published in The Asbury Park Press, issue of September 10, 2016. Proof on file.

Posted in Town Hall – September 7, 2016.

Hearing is scheduled for September 20, 2016.

Hearing:

No one spoke at hearing.

Motion to close hearing:

Offered Committeeman DiNardo

2nd Mayor Aagre

Voice vote: Yes

Action of Committee: Adopt X

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. CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAZLET, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$185,000 FROM THE OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND TO PAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NATCO PARK PARKING LOT

Introduced: September 6, 2016.

Published in The Asbury Park Press, issue of September 11, 2016. Proof on file.

Posted in Town Hall – September 8, 2016.

Hearing is scheduled for September 20, 2016.

Hearing:

No spoke at hearing.

Motion to close hearing:

Offered Mayor Aagre

2nd Committeeman DiNardo

Voice vote: Yes

Action of Committee: Defer action 10/4/2016

Offered Mayor Aagre

2nd Committeeman DiNardo

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes

Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes

Committeeman Sachs Absent

Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

Resolutions, Motions and Appointments:

Resolutions #259 through #261 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.

259. Issuance of Raffle License RL-4097 to Hazlet Township Senior Citizen Club, BL-214 – Hazlet Township Senior Citizen Club, RL-4099 Rocket Launchers Association and RA-4100 Schaufler Franzen VFW Post 4303.

260. Assessing a lien on various properties.

261. Refund of the overpayment of taxes for Block 166.06, Lot 28.

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, print your name and address on the sign in sheet and then state your name and address for the Committee.

No one spoke at hearing.

Offered Mayor Aagre

2nd Committeewoman Ronchetti

Voice Vote Yes

262. Appointment of Michael Donnelly to the position of Laborer with a CDL in the Department of Public Works.

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

263. Appointment of Jason Emmino to the position of Laborer with a CDL in the Department of Public Works.

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

264. Appointment of Max Afasano to the position of Laborer with a CDL in the Department of Public Works.

Offered Committeeman DiNardo

2nd Mayor Aagre

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes

Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes

Committeeman Sachs Absent

Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

265. Refund of CCO fee for 243 Laurel Avenue, Block 27, Lot 2.

Offered Committeewoman Ronchetti

2nd Committeeman DiNardo

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes

Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes

Committeeman Sachs Absent

Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

266. Supporting the “Fairness Formula” as introduced by Governor Christie to promote fair funding for Hazlet Schools and to relieve the unfair property tax burden on Township residents.

Offered Committeewoman Ronchetti

2nd Committeeman DiNardo

Roll Call: Committeeman DiNardo Yes

Committeewoman Ronchetti Yes

Committeeman Sachs Absent

Deputy Mayor Kiley Yes

Mayor Aagre Yes

Ordinance Introductions:

1. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 249 (LICENSING) ARTICLE II, BUSINESS LICENSES, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HAZLET, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Title read by: Mayor Aagre

Hearing Date: October 4, 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

2. CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAZLET, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY APPROPRIATING \$250,000 FROM THE OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND TO PAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NATCO PARK PARKING LOT

Title read by: Committeeman DiNardo

Hearing Date: October 4, 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

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:

Chares Hoffman - May I address Deputy Mayor Kiley, I did receive my Shop Hazlet card I would like to think outside the box. I hope it works I do think there are some disadvantages in it. It just might work for the benefit of all. This one ordinance about changing licensing fees that has been a complaint as you all know for quite a few years. The business association has brought that up on more than one occasion about our fees being somewhat absorbent. I know that a lot of contractors feel that our construction permits are absorbent and extremely difficult to work with, etc. I am wondering when you talk about the licensing what are you going to change?

Administrator Pino- With the part of the licensing that reduces existing licensing or eliminates certain establishments for fuel, refilling stations so it reduces the actual number of licenses that the town would require in the ordinance. As far as construction we have some of the lowest fees in Monmouth County still compared to other towns of our size. In addition to working with us we were the first town to put an online construction permit process and we still lead the state as promoting online activities and reducing the actual laborer. In fact we reduced the administrative steps by 88% by putting an online permit system. When I first came here we had 3 and half full time people working in the construction department and now there is one full time person. About efficiencies and reductions we cannot do any better because the state controls us and has our hands tied. Every six months to a year the State gets my annual letter asking for them to make us 100% electronic permits but they are not ready yet. We are one of the only towns in Monmouth County that you can schedule an inspection on line.

Mr. Hoffman – The Hazlet business licensing how have we improved that or reduced it?

Mayor Aagre- We did a prorated share.

Administrator Pino- Ironically, our business licensing is done through the internet as well. There are options.

Mr. Hoffman- It is my understanding that Pathmark Plaza has changed hands is the two properties that are not part of the larger building are they part of that property?

Attorney Gorman - There are separate blocks and lots over there. There are a multitude of owners over there. The Pathmark and Kmart part of it was sold recently to some entity I can't remember the name.

Mr. Hoffman- Have you heard anything about redevelopment?

Deputy Mayor Kiley- We know there is a developer who has purchased the property we fully expect to hear from them soon.

Mayor Aagre- The company that bought the property Onyx Equities has done this throughout the state has and they dress them up real nice. I do not know what is going there yet.

Louis Itzkowitz- 140 Munro the house is vacant the problem is now the tree blew over and it is sitting in the front driveway and it has been there for months. It is kind of a quality of life issue and unsightly. I know the gentleman from the town comes and inspects but is there anything the township can do.

Administrator Pino- We have property maintenance codes and we will give them a notice.

Mr. Itzkowitz- Are you talking about the township or private?

Administrator Pino- Through the township.

Mr. Itzkowitz- The house currently now is infested with mold.

Administrator Pino- That is o.k.

Mr. Itzkowitz- Well I am concerned as a homeowner next door.

Administrator Pino- Just don't go in it and you will be fine. When they are in the middle of a foreclosure with the bank there is not much we can do. The building was secured the last time I went there personally the last time you said the building was ready to collapse. There were no structural issues that we had to take immediate concerns or actions.

Mr. Itzkowitz- 72 Munro the house has been vacant for about 2 years and the homeowner put ply wood all over the windows and it looks totally hideous.

Administrator Pino- That is one of the problems when we tell people they have to start maintaining and secure the property.

Mr. Itzkowitz- You are saying the plywood makes the building secured?

Administrator Pino- By the state's legal definition of an unsafe structure which is more stringent than the local ordinance is as long as the building is secured it is no longer a threat for fire and other people to get into to cause harm or damage.

Mr. Itzkowitz- The traffic because of the 10th Street bridge is closed and I don't know if there is anything the township can do. The traffic coming up Munro because of the deliveries from the food stores. Is there anything in progress that the bridge will be repaired?

Administrator Pino- The progress is occurring they are waiting on DEP permits I believe is the last I heard. The Chief of Police has been out there numerous times with the traffic trailers. I don't know how much more we can do I will talk to the Chief tomorrow.

Mr. Itzkowitz- Speeding is a problem.

Administrator Pino- If you have a problem call me don't wait to come to a meeting.

Joe Rupp- About a little over a week ago I had to go pay a ticket in Hazlet at the courthouse and I went to go park in handicap and I was wondering how come it isn't the first spot it is the last spot where the library is at. There are two signs for handicap but none for the courthouse.

Administrator Pino- Ideally it should be the closest one to the door.

Committeewoman Ronchetti – The two handicaps are closest to the library building there are no handicap signs near the police building.

Mayor Aagre- It is a shared parking lot between the police station and library and the police department has picked up a lot more activity since the joint court so we will take a look at the parking arrangement and possibly relocate one to each side.

Mr. Rupp- I called your municipal clerk and it my understanding that you don't have a compliance officer.

Administrator Pino- I don't know who holds the title but when it comes to ADA I would take a lot of that.

Charles Hoffman- With reference to handicap parking our community is aging it might be an idea to expand the handicap parking between the two buildings maybe the first row.

Mayor Aagre- There is a number of accessible spaces per number of spots.

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: 9:00 PM