

October 4, 2017  
Municipal Building  
121 Evergreen Road  
New Egypt, NJ 08533

The Workshop Session of the meeting of the Plumsted Township Committee was called to order by Deputy Mayor Sorchik.

**STATEMENT:** "This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. It was advertised for publication in the Asbury Park Press and posted on the bulletin board."

**THOSE OFFICIALS PRESENT WERE:**

DEPUTY MAYOR SORCHIK	COMMITTEEMAN JONES
COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO	COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI
DAVID LEUTWYLER, CDC	ATTORNEY KELLY
BUS. ADM. SCOTT PEZARRAS	MUNICIPAL CLERK HENDRICKSON

Mayor Trotta attended via phone.

Deputy Mayor Sorchik asked everyone to rise for the flag salute. The invocation was led by Pastor Cuozzo.

Deputy Mayor Sorchik reviewed the evening's agenda. Sorchik said there is a Power Point presentation of the draft New Egypt Main Street Implementation Plan. He said the Special Election for the Fire Department is on October 23, 2017. Under State law, they are requesting permission to spend \$159,000 to buy the adjacent property to put up another building. The money comes out of their savings. Ballots will not be mailed so voters have to go to the firehouse to vote.

Sorchik said the September 6, 2017 minutes are up for approval; there are three proclamations "Friends of Library," "Red Ribbon Week," and "Pretty in Pink – Handsome in Blue." There is a \$25,000,000 bond ordinance for introduction for redevelopment major infrastructure purchase. The public hearing on the ordinance will be next month.

Committeeman Lotito asked if this ordinance is a continuation of another ordinance that was passed eight months to a year ago. Sorchik said yes.

Sorchik said there is an additional raffle license 2017-27 that is not on the agenda.

Sorchik asked if there was anything else for workshop. There were no other comments.

Attorney Kelly read Resolution No. 2017-281 for Executive Session. The following matters will be discussed: under personnel – employee separation issue, review of position papers; under contractual – PBA contract update, Municipal Court update and cell tower update; under potential litigation- Code Enforcement/Land Use issue and police canine issue.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN JONES, RESOLUTION NO. 2017-281, AUTHORIZING THE CONVENING OF AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT WAS ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

Deputy Mayor Sorchik called the regular session of the meeting to order.

**MINUTES TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL:**

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN JONES, THE WORKSHOP/REGULAR/EXECUTIVE SESSION OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2017 WAS ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO AND COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI ABSTAINING.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** There was none.

**PRESENTATIONS:** There were none.

## **PROCLAMATIONS:**

Deputy Mayor Sorchik asked Carla Hendrickson from the New Egypt Branch of the Ocean County Library to come forward to accept the proclamation for “National Friends of Libraries Month – October 2017.” Committeeman Lotito read and presented the proclamation to Carla.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN JONES, THE PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL FRIENDS OF LIBRARIES MONTH – OCTOBER 2017 WAS ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

Carla thanked the Committee and said the Friends of the Library could not be here, so she accepted the proclamation on their behalf. She said that the Friends support the Library and the community by providing funds for programs. They collect books every month and hold a book sale once a year at the Elementary School. They purchased the children’s Play Station in the children’s area.

Deputy Mayor Sorchik asked Linda Leutwyler from the Plumsted Drug and Alcohol Alliance to come forward to accept the proclamation for “Red Ribbon Week,” October 23-31, 2017. Deputy Mayor Sorchik read and presented the proclamation to Linda.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN JONES, THE PROCLAMATION FOR RED RIBBON WEEK WAS ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

Deputy Mayor Sorchik introduced Linda Leutwyler. She is standing in for Ann Funck who was not able to be here tonight. Linda thanked the Committee. She said red ribbon bands are given out to the Middle School and High School students. For Elementary and Primary School students, it is called “Acts of Kindness Week.” Children are encouraged to be kind to one another. In her school, they call it being a “bucket filler.” Always wanting to do something good and kind and use kind words toward each other. She said they start them young all the way up through the high school to encourage anti-bullying and making good choices. They appreciate the support of the township committee. Sorchik said the township appreciates the work that is being done in the schools and by the Alliance. It is a focal point in the community.

Deputy Mayor Sorchik read the proclamation for “Pretty in Pink/Handsome in Blue Day in Plumsted,” October 19, 2017.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN JONES, THE PROCLAMATION FOR PRETTY IN PINK/HANDSOME IN BLUE DAY IN PLUMSTED,” OCTOBER 19, 2017 WAS ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

## **ORDINANCES: INTRODUCTION**

Deputy Mayor Sorchik said Ordinance 2017-21 is to fund the infrastructure for the redevelopment project.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN JONES, BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2017-21 – BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AID TO THE NEW EGYPT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT LOCATED IN THE NEW EGYPT REDEVELOPMENT AREA IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$25,000,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$25,000,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF WAS INTRODUCED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

The second reading and public hearing is scheduled for the next regularly scheduled meeting of November 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS ON A CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE AND SHALL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. SHOULD ANY MEMBER OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE SEEK SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF ANY ITEM, THAT ITEM SHALL BE REMOVED AND DISCUSSED SEPARATELY. THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WILL BE VOTED ON IN ONE VOTE**

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-282 – AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW EGYPT AMERICAN LEGION POST 455 FOR THE USE OF THE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE BUILDING LOCATED AT MEADOWBROOK LANE (BLOCK 24, LOT 7)

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-283 – REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR THE INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.40A:-87 (OCEAN COUNTY RECYCLING REVENUE SHARING PROGRAM GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,539.37)

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-284 – AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF UNEXPENDED BALANCES, GRANT RECEIVABLES AND APPROPRIATED GRANT RESERVE BALANCES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-285 – RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2017-272 REQUESTING INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.40A:-87 (DRUNK DRIVING ENFORCEMENT FUND GRANT FY2017 \$1,762.68)

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-286 - REQUESTING INSERTION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.40A:-87 (DRUNK DRIVING ENFORCEMENT FUND GRANT FY2017 - \$3,500.00)

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-287 – APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH JCP&L FOR THE USE OF UTILITY POLES WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF PLUMSTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISPLAYING HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-288 – AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR THE RECEIPT OF PROPOSALS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR 2018

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-289 – APPROVING THE PUBLIC DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS AT LAURITA WINERY OCTOBER 21, 2017 (RAIN DATE OCTOBER 22, 2017)

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-290 – AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 2001, CHAPTER 30

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-291 – EXTENDING THE GRACE PERIOD FOR FOURTH QUARTER TAX PAYMENTS TO MEET THE 25 DAY MINIMUM REQUIREMENT FOR TAX PAYMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-292 – AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, TRUST FUND GRANT FY2018 MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-293 – AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATES

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-294 – AUTHORIZING A LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY FOR KELLY CREIGHTON

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN JONES, THE AFOREMENTIONED RESOLUTIONS (RESOLUTION NO. 2017-282 THROUGH 2017-294) ON PAGE 2 OF THE CONSENT AGENDA WERE ADOPTED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES

#### **MOTION TO CONSIDER:**

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN JONES, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, THE FOLLOWING RAFFLES LICENSES WERE APPROVED: RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2017-20 – Tricky Tray, Inspire NJ dba The Peoples Pantry; RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2017-21 – On Premise 50/50, Inspire NJ dba The Peoples Pantry; RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2017-22 – Off Premise 50/50, NEPS/WES PTO; RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2017-23 – On Premise Basket Raffle, NEPS/WES PTO; RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2017-24 – Off Premise 50/50, New Egypt Middle School PTO; RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2017-25 - Off Premise 50/50, New Egypt Elks No. 2457 BPOE; RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2017-26 – ON PREMISE 50/50, New Egypt Girls Softball League; RAFFLES LICENSE NO. 2017-27 – OFF PREMISE RAFFLE, New Egypt Girls Softball League

ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES WITH MAYOR TROTTA VOTING NO ON RAFFLES LICENSE NOS. 2017-20 AND 2017-21.

## **REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS AND PROFESSIONALS:**

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN JONES, THE BILL LIST OF OCTOBER 4, 2017 WAS APPROVED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES WITH MAYOR TROTTA ABSTAINING ON PO 17-00682.

**REPORTS SUBMITTED FOR COMMITTEE REVIEW:** CONSTRUCTION REPORT – August, 2017; FINANCIAL REPORTS - Revenue Summary by Month – August, 2017; Abbreviated Summary Budget Account Status – August, 2017; BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES MEMORANDUM; TAX COLLECTORS REPORT – August, 2017; PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP MUA MEETING MINUTES – July, 2017 and August, 2017; PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS DISTRICT #1 MEETING MINUTES – August, 2017.

Committeeman Lotito said he noticed in the Board of Fire Commissioners minutes that the Governor approved the move of fire commissioner elections to November. Sorchik said that the Governor did sign it into law, but the Fire Commissioners are not going to act on it immediately. It is up to the individual fire commissions to change it. Sorchik said the Commissioners decided at their last meeting to hold off until 2019. He said the Fire Company does have a special election on October 23, 2017 to approve funds to purchase property.

Deputy Mayor Sorchik asked for any old business from the committee.

Committeeman Marinari said Mrs. Dancer provided him with a list from Beth Dancer at the last Environmental Commission Meeting of invasive plants that she believes are in our community. Beth can be contacted for more information. She was not at the meeting, so he was not able to go over the list with her. He appreciates her taking the time to provide the list. Committeeman Lotito asked if the note she made on the list “any disturbed area” corresponds with the item below it. Marinari said he does not know what she means because he was not able to talk to her. Sorchik said there is a draft ordinance for invasive plants in the packets. The committee will not be taking any action on the ordinance tonight.

Deputy Mayor Sorchik asked for any new business from the committee. Mayor Trotta reminded everyone that Fall Fest is Saturday, October 28, 2017, from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. There will be quite a few vendors and a barbershop quartet. Dave Leutwyler said there are still some booths available for vendors. He invited everyone to come out. It should be a nice day.

Deputy Mayor Sorchik asked for public comment.

Ron Tabor, 1 Holly Hill, New Egypt, NJ. He currently takes care of the public grounds for the Township. He has a question and a statement. When is the project going to start for the sewer plant and the adult community? Is there a date set yet? Committeeman Marinari said there is no set date. If everything moves as planned, it will probably be March 2018.

Mr. Tabor’s statement is he wants to thank the Committee for the opportunity to work for the township. He said it has been a great time. It was a learning experience. This will be his last year doing it. There are too many things going on that don’t meet his standards. Too many things that are making his job a little tougher than it should be. He has decided to move on and he will not be putting a bid in for next year. He wants to thank the township for all it has done for him and the opportunity he had. It was a good one. That is all he has to say.

Committeeman Marinari said that the township appreciates everything Mr. Tabor has done for us. He has done an excellent job. Marinari asked if he had voiced his opinion to anyone about his concerns. Tabor said “sort of” but there is not a whole lot that can be done about it. He hopes the next person who gets the job has the same personal touch that he had with the fields. The headaches are the football, softball and baseball fields.

Marinari said there has been nothing but praise for him. Tabor said he needs to move on and do something different, but he wanted to say thank you to the township.

Deputy Mayor Sorchik said he is going to echo Marinari’s comment. We have only had compliments from all the recreation groups and everyone else on what a fine job your company has done. We will be sorry to see you leave. If you reconsider, we will gladly accept your bid. Marinari said that in leaving your employment, you have the opportunity to voice your opinion for the next person to use.

Tabor said he will help out the township. He knows the township was talking about doing different things with the contract. He would be more than willing to sit down and set it up like it was done the last time. Marinari said that would be helpful. The committee thanked Mr. Tabor.

Mayor Trotta said there was a period of time before Tabor had the contract that the township had a lot of issues. Trotta said he wanted to thank him for straightening them out.

Deputy Mayor Sorchik said he wants to recognize Mr. Fox and his first night on the Land Use Board. He asked Mr. Fox about the meeting. Fox said it was a very interesting night and he is pleased that he was asked to serve on the Land Use Board.

Sorchik recognized Public Safety Director Galloway and Sergeant Meroney in the audience.

Sorchik reminded everyone that Sergeants Reilly and Meroney and the new Public Safety Director will be making a public presentation tomorrow night on the operation of the police department. They will be talking about some of the concerns at the department and their vision for the future of the organization. The meeting will be at 7:00 pm and no official will be taken. It will be a workshop where questions can be taken.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEEMAN MARINARI, SECONDED BY COMMITTEEMAN LOTITO, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy J. Hendrickson, RMC  
Municipal Clerk