

FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
SPECIAL REGULAR ACTION MEETING
MARCH 26, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Byrd called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Byrd read the OPMA Statement into the record as follows:

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

This meeting of the Fairfield Township Committee shall come to order. The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meeting of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interests are discussed or acted upon. This meeting held on this 26st day of March 2018 at the Fairfield Municipal Building in Fairton New Jersey is held pursuant to notice of date, time and place of same having been submitted to The South Jersey Times, The Daily Journal, and The Press of Atlantic City on March 21, 2018 and also duly posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of the Township Hall.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG / MOMENT OF PRAYER

Mayor Byrd led the flag salute followed by a moment of prayer given by Committeeman Clark.

ROLL CALL

The following roll was recorded as follows:

Committeeman Clark, present; Committeeman Gonzalez, present; Committeeman Manson, present; Deputy Mayor Pierce, present and Mayor Byrd, present.

ALSO PRESENT

Township Administrator Wymbs, Township Solicitor Carr and Township Clerk Gonzales.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 2018

Mayor Byrd asked the Township Committee if they had any questions on the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 21, 2018. There were none. Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to approve the minutes.

Committeeman Clark moved to approve the minutes as written seconded by Committeeman Manson.

Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

REVIEW OF BILL LIST PROVIDED BY CFO

Mayor Byrd asked the Township Committee if they had any questions on the bill list provided by the Chief Financial Officer. Committeeman Clark, Committeeman Manson and Mayor Byrd placed on the record their conflict pertaining to payable to South State Incorporated. Township Solicitor Carr cited the Doctrine of Necessity and that those members who have a conflict are placed on record, however the Committee votes in order for the bills to be paid accordingly.

ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION (FIRST READING) - (ONE)

ORDINANCE NO. 1 - 2018

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2018 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to introduce Ordinance No. 1 - 2018 seconded by Committeeman Clark.

Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING (SECOND READING)

None

Mayor Byrd read the Public Comment on Current Agenda & Non Agenda Items as follows:

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS & NON AGENDA ITEMS

In order for the Committee to conduct the business of the Township in the most productive manner possible, meeting attendees will be given five (5) minutes, all-inclusive to comment on any agenda item(s) without comment or question from the Committee and any non-agenda items including all dialogue, questions and responses from both the speaker and the Committee for the designated public portion of the meeting. There may be no transference of a speaker's time to other attendees. Please step up to the microphone at the appropriate time, and state your name and address for the record.

Committeeman Manson moved to adopt Resolution No. 70 - 2018 seconded by Committeeman Gonzalez. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 71 - 2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP TO THE NEW JERSEY FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION FOR LUIS G. SANCHEZ GARCIA

Committeeman Clark moved to adopt Resolution No. 71- 2018 seconded by Committeeman Gonzalez. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 72 - 2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD APPOINTMENTS TO THE FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Committeeman Clark moved to adopt Resolution No. 72 - 2018 seconded by Committeeman Manson. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

OLD BUSINESS

MINOR LEAGUE FOOTBALL FIELD REQUEST

Said request was deferred for the next scheduled meeting.

There were no Old Business reports or remarks from the Township Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

Committeeman Clark had no New Business to report at this time.

Committeeman Gonzalez had no New Business to report at this time.

Committeeman Manson had no New Business to report at this time.

Deputy Mayor Pierce made a motion to remove Steve Wymbys as the Township Administrator seconded by Committeeman Manson. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, no; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

On a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pierce to set the hours of the Deputy Clerk at 20 hours per week, 5 days per week from 8:30 to 12:30 pm at \$20.55 per hour seconded by Committeeman Clark. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

On a motion made by Deputy Mayor Pierce to install Michael Burden as Acting Township Administrator at \$20,000.00 calculated and prorated over a 12 month period until the Township advertises to seek for a permanent Township Administrator seconded by Committeeman Clark. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, no; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS / REMARKS

Committeeman Clark had no report or remarks to make at this time.

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Deputy Mayor Pierce gave thanks to the Public Works Department and the Fire Companies for their hard work and diligence in removing downed trees from the snow storm.

Committeeman Manson also gave thanks to the Public Works Department and the Fire Companies.

MAYOR'S REPORT / REMARKS

Mayor Byrd thanked the Township residents for attending tonight's meeting and also thanked the Public Works Department and the Fire Companies for the removal of downed trees during the snow storm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NEEDED)

AUTHORIZING TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC UNDER N.J.S.A. 10:4-12
(ACTION MAY BE TAKEN)

There was no need for an Executive Session.

Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to open the Public Comment on Current Agenda Items & Non Agenda Items.

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to open and seconded by Committeeman Clark. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

Mr. Wendell Lloyd, Gouldtown Signage Committee provided copies of correspondence regarding concerns of the Gouldtown Signage Committee and photographs of signs. The signs consisted of missing Welcome sign that was purchased by the County and placed at the Township border on North Woodruff Road. He stated that the Township replaced this missing sign with the only Township purchased Welcome sign which was waiting to be located at the Township border line on the north end of East Avenue. Mr. Lloyd provided several suggestions in his correspondence to the Township Committee for their review and consideration. The Township Committee will review and report back with their findings.

Russell Pierce, 376 Fairton-Gouldtown Road appeared to inquire what was going on at the Likanchuk property. He reported that the property has a lot of truck and trailers and suggested that the Township look into this matter.

Mr. Pierce reported potholes at the boat ramp on Husted-Landing Road. He also reported dirt missing on Clarks Pond Road.

There being no further comments to be received, Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to close the Public Comment on Current Agenda Items & Non Agenda Items.

Committeeman Manson moved and seconded by Committeeman Clark. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

Mayor Byrd read the following Resolutions into the record as follows:

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 65 - 2018

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF TOWNSHIP BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,309.55

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to adopt Resolution No. 65 - 2018 seconded by Committeeman Clark. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 66 - 2018

A RESOLUTION OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP, CUMBERLAND COUNTY AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF TOWNSHIP BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$321,330.01

Committeeman Manson moved to adopt Resolution No. 66 - 2018 seconded by Committeeman Clark. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 67 - 2018

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to adopt Resolution No. 67 - 2018 seconded by Committeeman Gonzalez. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 68 - 2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD, COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND AWARDING A NON-FAIR OPEN CONTRACT FOR ANIMAL SHELTERING SERVICES

Committeeman Clark moved to adopt Resolution No. 68 - 2018 seconded by Deputy Mayor Pierce. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 69 - 2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD INCREASING THE HOURS FOR THE POSITION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT

Committeeman Clark moved to adopt Resolution No. 69 - 2018 seconded by Committeeman Manson. Roll Call Vote: Clark, yes; Gonzalez, yes; Manson, yes; Pierce, yes and Mayor Byrd, yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 70 - 2018

A RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO LEE TOFANELLI AND ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PROVIDE WEBSITE REVIEW, CONTENT DEVELOPMENT, AND MAINTENANCE FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD

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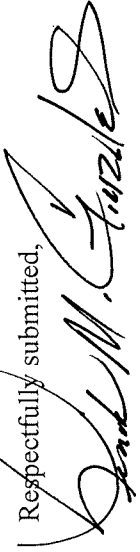
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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Township Committee, Mayor Byrd entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Deputy Mayor Pierce moved to adjourn seconded by Committeeman Clark. All members voted in the affirmative and the meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda M. Gonzales, RMC
Township Clerk