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HAINESPORT TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 13, 2024

6:30 P.M.

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of February 13, 2024 with instructions for internet access was included in a meeting notice sent to the Burlington County Times and Courier Post on January 4, 2024 and advertised in said newspapers on January 7, 2024, and January 11, 2024 respectively posted on the website and the bulletin board in the municipal building on January 4, 2024 and has remained continuously posted as required under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

1. **FLAG SALUTE**

2. **ROLL CALL** - present were Mayor Gilmore, Committeewoman Evans, Committeeman Clauss and Committeewoman Tordy. Also present were Township Clerk/Administrator Paula Kosko and Attorney John Gillespie. Committeeman Montgomery arrived at 6:35 PM.

3. **MINUTES**

A. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR COMMITTEE MINUTES OF JANUARY 30, 2024**

Motion: Committeewoman Evans. Second: Committeewoman Tordy. Abstain: Committeeman Clauss. All others yes.

4. **REPORTS**

- A. **Tax Collector** – January 2024
- B. **Code Enforcement** – January 2024
- C. **Fire Official** – January 2024
- D. **Construction** – January 2024
- E. **Emergency Services Reports** – January 2024

Motion: Committeeman Clauss. Second: Committeewoman Tordy. All yes.

- F. **NJSP In-Person Report** – January 2024

Not in attendance.

5. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – Agenda items only (Comments are limited to 5 minutes)**

No comments.

6. ORDINANCES

- A. **ORDINANCE 2024-2** - Amending Chapter 44 of the Code of the Township of Hainesport Entitled “Affordable Housing” to Establish a Mandatory Set-Aside Provision (**Public Hearing and Final Adoption**)

No comments.

Motion: Committeeman Clauss. Second: Committeewoman Tordy. All yes.

- B. **ORDINANCE 2024-3** – Providing for and Determine the Rate of Compensation of Officials and Employees of the Township of Hainesport (**First Reading and Introduction**) (**Public Hearing and Final Adoption March 12, 2024**)

Mayor Gilmore added #37 to the listed positions – Affordable Housing Liaison \$7,500 - \$15,000.

Motion: Committeewoman Evans. Second: Committeewoman Tordy. Abstain: Committeeman Montgomery. All yes.

Ms. Kosko asked to amend the Agenda to include Ordinance 2024-4 the annual COLA ordinance. It reads “Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)”

Motion: Committeewoman Evans. Second: Committeeman Montgomery. All yes.

- C. **ORDINANCE 2024-4** - Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14) (**First Reading and Introduction**) (**Public Hearing and Final Adoption March 12, 2024**)

Motion: Committeewoman Evans. Second: Committeeman Montgomery. All yes.

7. CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

The items listed below are considered routine by the Township of Hainesport and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- A. **RESOLUTION 2024-46-2** – Governing Body Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
- B. **RESOLUTION 2024-47-2** – Authorizing Aerial Larvicide Application
- C. **RESOLUTION 2024-48-2** – Authorizing Issuance of Raffle & Bingo Licenses to the Ladies Fire/EMS Auxiliary
- D. **RESOLUTION 2024-49-2** – Authorizing Purchase of Temporary Safety Fencing

Motion: Committeeman Clauss. Second: Committeewoman Evans. All yes.

8. RESOLUTIONS

- A. **RESOLUTION 2024-50-2** – Granting Permission to Commence Preliminary Site Work at 1517 Route 38, Block 42, Lots 1, 1.01, 1.03, 2 and 2.01

Mr. Gillespie explained that this is for the two warehouses being developed behind the Mt. Holly Nissan dealership and the motel on Route 38 and the Bypass. They have preliminary site plan approval and have been working with the DOT to improve the jughandle. They are doing a land swap with the DOT that has been approved. They are still waiting on the major highway access permit. They would like to get started on site work. At this point, it is just moving dirt around. They must post a bond and inspection escrows for Township Engineer. We can issue a stop work order if we see something going wrong.

Motion: Committeeman Clauss. Second: Committeewoman Tordy. All yes.

- B. RESOLUTION 2024-51-2** – Requesting Permission from the New Jersey Department of Labor, Division of Workplace Standards to Conduct a Public Fireworks Display at the 100th Anniversary Celebration

Motion: Committeeman Montgomery. Second: Committeewoman Evans. All yes.

9. BUSINESS

- A. Approval of Business Licenses** (See Attached)

Motion: Committeewoman Tordy. Second: Committeewoman Evans. All yes.

- B. Approval of Charitable Clothing Bin License**

2024-4 – Turnkey

2024-5 – Planet Aid

2024-6 – Planet Aid

Motion: Committeeman Montgomery. Second: Committeewoman Evans. All yes.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Joint Land Use Board 2023 Annual Report**

Motion: Committeewoman Evans. Second: Committeeman Montgomery. All yes.

11. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (Comments are limited to 5 minutes)

No comments.

12. COMMENTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Ms. Kosko reported our project engineer is working on the project estimate phase for the hockey rink and tennis court resurfacing project at the Municipal Park and the tennis and basketball court resurfacing at the Chase Park. We will advertise in 1 to 2 months for those projects. We will have the bid opening for the NJDOT Grant projects for 2022 and 2023 for Pulaski, Fenimore and Laurel Ridge Road resurfacing on February 28th. We will present a resolution to award that contract at the March 12th meeting.

She and CFO Dawn McClain have been working on the 2024 budget. They hope to have a meeting with the Finance liaisons over the next few weeks. They will present the budget for introduction at either the March or April meeting.

13. COMMENTS FROM THE SOLICITOR

No comments.

14. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE

Committeewoman Evans – thanked all the residents that donated to the Heart to Give shoebox program. We are always grateful for the generosity of our good people. The Green Team will submit its preliminary application for Bronze certification on February 25th. She wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Committeewoman Tordy – thanked everyone for coming. She commended Liz and Donna for all their hard work on the Winter Dance this Friday that will kick off our the 100th Anniversary Celebration. She also mentioned the Fashion Show event coming up March 3rd. Both events are sold out. She hopes we raise a lot of money for the celebration. God Bless you all.

Committeeman Clauss – thanked everyone for coming. He recognized the start of Lent and Valentine's on the same day tomorrow. He encouraged all to go out to dinner for Valentine's Day in Hainesport and wished everyone a good evening.

Committeeman Montgomery – wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day, especially his wife Mela. He thanked Donna Casey and Liz for their work with the Winter Dinner Dance and 100th anniversary with the Fashion Show and Tea. There are 60 baskets to be raffled off. We had a tremendous outpouring of donations. God bless Hainesport.

Mayor Gilmore – recalled Paula Kosko mentioning the upcoming legislation being introduced to make OPRA changes. She had the privilege of signing a letter of support to be sent to the legislators. Most of the Committee attended the banquet for the Fire Department and EMS. She swore in the officers and they got to witness special awards given out. Don Platt received an award for over 50 years of service. The plaque was made from a backboard he used during service. We intended to honor him here tonight, but he could not make it. The shoebox collection went very well. They collected over 100 boxes. The Dinner Dance and Tea are both sold out. There is a wait list for the Tea. The 100th Anniversary walk/ride tour brochure is going to be published shortly. We are working on pictures and speakers for the Street Community Center. The Ladies Auxiliary is selling flowers for Valentine's Day tomorrow at the Fire Department from 10 am to 7 pm. She thanked everyone for coming.

15. BILL LIST

Motion: Committeeman Montgomery. Second: Committeewoman Evans. All yes.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. RESOLUTION 2024-52-2 – Resolution to Enter into Executive Session

1. N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(1) Attorney Client Privilege
2. N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(6) Protecting the Safety and Property of the Public
3. N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(7) Pending or Anticipated Litigation

Motion: Committeeman Montgomery. Second: Committeewoman Tordy. All yes.

Motion to re-enter regular meeting

Motion: Committeeman Clauss. Second: Committeeman Montgomery. All yes.

17. ADJOURNMENT @ 7:58 P. M.

Motion: Committeeman Clauss. Second: Committeeman Montgomery. All yes.

Respectfully Submitted,
Paula L. Kosko
Administrator/Municipal Clerk

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Township Committee Meeting
February 13, 2024
6:30 pm

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