

# **HAINESPORT TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**January 3, 2017  
8:08 P.M.**

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of January 3, 2017 was included in a meeting notice sent to the Burlington County Times and Courier Post on January 11, 2016 and January 14, 2016 and advertised in said newspapers on January 13, 2016 and January 19, 2016, respectively posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building on January 19, 2016 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. **CALL TO ORDER** – by Mayor Porto at 8:08 P.M.
2. **FLAG SALUTE**
3. **ROLL CALL** – present were Committeewoman Gilmore, Committeeman Dickinson, Committeeman Fitzpatrick, Deputy Mayor Masciocchi and Mayor Porto. Also present were Clerk Amy Cosnoski and Solicitor John Gillespie.
4. **MINUTES**
  - A. **APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 6, 2016**
  - B. **APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF DECEMBER 6, 2016**
  - C. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR COMMITTEE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 2016**
  - D. **APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MEETING OF DECEMBER 13, 2016**

**Motion: Committeeman Dickinson. Second: Deputy Mayor Masciocchi.**  
**Abstain: Committeewoman Gilmore. All others yes.**
5. **REPORTS**
  - A. **Tax Collector** – December 2016, 2016 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter, 2016 Year-End
  - B. **Code Enforcement** – December 2016

C. **Fire Official** – 2016 Year End

D. **Construction** – December 2016, 2016 Year-End

**Motion: Committeeman Dickinson. Second: Committeeman Fitzpatrick. All yes.**

## 6. **DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION**

### A. **Municipal Building Alarm System**

**Ms. Cosnoski** advised she was not given the information so it was decided to reconvene this topic at the next meeting. **Mr. Dickinson** said he was aware that someone came in to the building today so we should have information by the end of the week.

## 7. **RESOLUTIONS**

### A. **RESOLUTION 2017-44-1** – Appointment of Fire Official

**George Myers** has agreed to be the Township Fire Official with the salary of \$17,500.

**Motion: Deputy Mayor Masciocchi. Second: Committeeman Dickinson. Abstain: Committeeman Fitzpatrick. All others yes.**

### B. **RESOLUTION 2017-45-1** – Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Funds Raised by Shoebox Recycling to Burlington County Animal Alliance

**Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Deputy Mayor Masciocchi. All yes.**

### C. **RESOLUTION 2017-46-1** – Resolution of the Township of Hainesport Establishing the 2017 Temporary Budget

**Motion: Committeeman Dickinson. Second: Committeeman Fitzpatrick. All yes.**

## 8. BUSINESS

### A. Approval of Charitable Clothing Bin License

**2017-001** – Terry Kaplan/Planet Aid Located at 2805 Marne Highway

**Motion: Deputy Mayor Masciocchi. Second: Committeeman Dickinson. All yes.**

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

**Catherine McNelis, 407 Bischoff Avenue** – questioned how Ms. Cosnoski was hired and asked what her salary was. It was noted that the Township Committee hired her and the salary was in accordance with the ordinance.

**Ginny Cliver, 118 Mt. Laurel Road** – questions where the shoe box money was going and it was noted it was going to the Burlington County Animal Alliance. Ms. Cliver noted her concern over what is going on in the Township. Ms. Cliver also questioned the salary of the Township Clerk.

## 10. COMMENTS FROM THE TOWNSHIP CLERK

**Ms. Cosnoski** thanked the Township Committee for hiring her. She also thanked the staff in the building who have been very helpful to her during this transition time.

## 11. COMMENTS FROM THE SOLICITOR

**Mr. Gillespie** thanked the Township Committee for the opportunity for working at the township and looks forward to working here.

## 12. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE

**Committeewoman Gilmore** said it looks like this is the beginning of a fun ride.

**Deputy Mayor Masciocchi** had no comments.

**Committeeman Dickinson** reiterated what was said before; we are looking forward to moving forward in the township.

**Committeeman Fitzpatrick** commented on looking forward. Noted his displeasure in the disrespect shown this evening to the Township Clerk and thanked Ms. Cosnoski for coming in to help out the Township.

**Mayor Porto** thanked Ms. Cosnoski for her professionalism in coming on board to help and noted the Township has an excellent staff and the Committee looks forward to making sure Hainesport Township has the best and brightest running our government and try to put in place policies that make our town a better place to live.

**13. BILL LIST**

**Mr. Fitzpatrick** abstained from voting on purchase order 16-01086.

**Motion: Committeeman Dickinson. Second: Deputy Mayor Masciocchi.**  
**All yes.**

**14. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. RESOLUTION 2017-47-1** – Resolution to Enter into Executive Session- Action May Be Taken

**a. Personnel –**

**Motion: Committeeman Dickinson. Second: Committeeman Fitzpatrick.**  
**All yes.**

**15. ADJOURNMENT @ 8:58 P. M.**

**Motion: Committeeman Dickinson. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.**

Respectfully submitted,

Amy P. Cosnoski, RMC Township Clerk.