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HAINESPORT TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

August 14, 2018 7:00 P.M.

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of August 14, 2018 was included in a meeting notice sent to the Burlington County Times and Courier Post On January 8, 2018 and advertised in said newspapers on January 11, 2018, respectively posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building on January 8, 2018 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 Masciocchi at 7:00 P. M.
- 2. FLAG SALUTE
- 3. **ROLL CALL -** present were Committeewoman Gilmore, Committeewoman Schneider, Committeeman Fitzpatrick, Committeeman Costa and Mayor Masciocchi. Also present were Township Administrator/Clerk Paula Kosko and Attorney Steve Luttrell.

4. MINUTES

- A. APPROVAL OF REGULAR COMMITTEE MINUTES OF JULY 10, 2018
- B. APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF JULY 10, 2018

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeeman Costa. All yes.

5. **REPORTS**

- A. Tax Collector July 2018
- B. Code Enforcement July 2018
- C. Fire Official July 2018
- D. Construction July 2018
- E. Emergency Services Reports July 2018

Motion: Committeewoman Schneider. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.

6. DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

A. Presentation of KIA Flag by Burlington County Clerk Timothy D. Tyler

Burlington County Clerk Tyler presented a "Killed In Action" Flag to Mayor Masciocchi.

7. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

(Comments are limited to 5 minutes)

Anna Evans, 63 Parry Drive – wanted to talk about Ordinance 2018-10 – "Amending the Code of the Township of Hainesport to Address Political Contributions from Municipal Vendors". Mrs. Evans began by addressing the conversation between her and Mr. Gillespie at the last meeting. Mayor Masciocchi told her that in the absence of Mr. Gillespie the conversation should not take place. The matter should be addressed with him. She asked if he thought that was fair and Mayor Masciocchi said he did. Mrs. Evans said that the ordinance does not do anything different than what is being done now. All the ordinance does is say that this is the law in New Jersey and we, in Hainesport, are going to uphold it. Other townships have done more to address Pay to Play than we are doing. She went on to give an example of what she thinks should be done with Alaimo Engineering.

Louis Lopez, 98 Levis Drive, Mt. Holly – said he wanted to talk about Resolutions 2018-118-8 and 2018-127-8. He asked for more information and Mayor Masciocchi explained them to Mr. Lopez.

8. ORDINANCES

A. **ORDINANCE 2018-8** – Amending Chapter 180 of the Township Ordinances Entitled Vehicles and Traffic (**Public Hearing and Final Adoption**)

Mayor Masciocchi opened the floor to public comments on the ordinance. There were none.

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeeman Costa. All yes.

B. **ORDINANCE 2018-9** – Appropriating the Sum of \$81,264.14 in Funding from the Capital Improvement Fund for Equipment (**Public Hearing and Final Adoption**)

Mayor Masciocchi opened the floor to public comments on the ordinance. There were none.

Motion: Committeewoman Schneider. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.

C. **ORDINANCE 2018-10** – "Amending the Code of the Township of Hainesport to Address Political Contributions From Municipal Vendors" (**Public Hearing and Final Adoption**)

Anna Evans, 63 Parry Drive – asked if the committee could explain what their intentions were to draft an ordinance that basically, does nothing. Mayor Masciocchi said the ordinance acknowledges a state law and that the township supports the state law and will enforce it. He stated that there is no evidence that there has been any Pay to Play in the township. Mrs. Evans said she feels that she has some evidence that there was some pay to play during the Costa/Schneider campaign. Mayor Masciocchi said Mrs. Evans keeps bringing up the Alaimo firm which is curious since it was Leo Selb who advised the prior committee to appoint the Alaimo firm. Everything was done in open bidding. He repeated that there is no indication that there has been any Pay to Play in order to accomplish any goal or get any position at any time. Mrs. Evans continued to comment on the matter and said there were some irregularities because Mr. Costa was a beneficiary of the PAC Charter America and is also involved with the Charter. Mayor Masciocchi said if she thinks there was something wrong then she should file a complaint with the proper entity, this is not the right forum. There was more discussion between Mrs. Evans and Mayor Masciocchi about the matter.

Motion: Committeewoman Schneider. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. Committeeman Fitzpatrick voted no. All others yes.

 D. ORDINANCE 2018-11 - Expanding the List of Public Employees and Officials Authorized to Enforce the Municipal Code (Public Hearing and Final Adoption)

Mayor Masciocchi opened the floor to public comments on the ordinance. There were none.

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeewoman Schneider. Committeeman Fitzpatrick voted no. All others yes.

E. **ORDINANCE 2018-12** – Amending Chapter 44 of the Code of the Township of Hainesport Entitled Affordable Housing (**First Reading and Introduction**) (**Public Hearing and Adoption September 11, 2018**)

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeewoman Schneider. All yes.

9. **RESOLUTIONS**

A. **RESOLUTION 2018–114-8** – Authorizing the Transfer of Funds Raised by Shoebox Recycling to Burlington County Animal Alliance and Meals on Wheels Pet Program

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeewoman Schneider. All yes.

B. **RESOLUTION 2018–115-8** – Amend the Adopted Budget for Additional Items of Revenue and Offsetting Appropriation (Chapter 159)

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeeman Costa. All yes.

C. **RESOLUTION 2018-116-8** – Authorizing Delay of Interest Charges on Third Quarter 2018 Tax Bills

Motion: Committeeman Costa. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.

D. **RESOLUTION 2018-117-8 -** Approving a Fire Prevention "Block-Style Party" on Broad Street From Cottage to Edwin Streets on October 13, 2018

Motion: Committeeman Costa. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.

E. **RESOLUTION 2018-118-8** - Adopting the Form of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act Questionnaire Required to be Utilized by Claimants for the Filing of Notices of Tort Claim Against the Township of Hainesport in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:8-6

Motion: Committeewoman Schneider. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.

F. **RESOLUTION 2018-119-8** – Authorizing Assignment of Tax Sale Certificate #17-00050 on Block 9, Lot 3 in the amount of \$3,070.39 to Fidelity Asset Management, LLC

Tabled

Mayor Masciocchi explained that this resolution and the next two will be tabled until the next meeting due to the town's requirement to properly advertise.

G. **RESOLUTION 2018-120-8** - Authorizing Assignment of Tax Sale Certificate #17-00068 on Block 57, Lot 12 in the amount of \$857.52 to Fidelity Asset Management, LLC

Tabled

H. **RESOLUTION 2018-121-8** - Authorizing Assignment of Tax Sale Certificate #17-00092 on Block 108, Lot 4.19 in the amount of \$1,112.85 to Fidelity Asset Management, LLC

Tabled

I. RESOLUTION 2018-122-8 – Authorizing Contract for Purchase of Electricity for Municipally-Owned Buildings and Streetlights from Progressive Energy Consultants

Tabled

J. **RESOLUTION 2018-123-8** – Authorizing Lien for Property Maintenance Expenses for Property Located at 1203 Washington Street

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeewoman Schneider. All yes.

K. **RESOLUTION 2018-124-8** – Authorizing Issuance of Raffle License To Our Lady Queen of Peace

Motion: Committeeman Costa. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.

L. **RESOLUTION 2018-125-8** – Authorizing Release of Community Development Block Grant Funds for a Sidewalk, ADA Ramps and Crosswalk Project on Edwin, Albert and Washington Streets

Motion: Committeewoman Schneider. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.

M. **RESOLUTION 2018-126-8** - Authorizing and Directing the Joint Land Use Board to Cause a Preliminary Investigation to be Made Pursuant to the New Jersey Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, as to Whether Certain Properties Within the Township of Hainesport Qualify as a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area" in Accordance with the Criteria Set Forth in the Statute

Ms. Kosko asked the committee to add a section to the resolution that stated "as an area in need of rehabilitation" and approve it.

Motion to amend: Committeeman Costa. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.

Motion to adopt the resolution: Committeewoman Schneider. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.

N. **RESOLUTION 2018-127-8** – Authorizing Partial Payment to the Hainesport Volunteer Fire Company

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeewoman Schneider. All yes.

O. **RESOLUTION 2018-128-8** – Identifying Richard Britton of Matrix New World, formerly of Whitman Company, as Continued LSRP for the HITCO Property

Ms. Kosko asked the committee to add a section to the resolution that stated: Environmental Services: Matrix New World Engineering, Land Surveying and Landscape Architecture, PC at a fee not to exceed the current 2015 NJDEP HDSRF Grant Account Balance of \$71,052.39.

Motion to amend: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeewoman Schneider. All yes.

Motion to adopt the resolution: Committeeman Costa. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes.

P. **RESOLUTION 2018-129-8** – Authorizing the Purchase of a Tractor and Flail Mower

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeewoman Schneider. All yes.

10. BUSINESS

A. Approval of Business Licenses (See Attached)

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeewoman Schneider. All yes.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Thank You Letter from Resident Regarding the Hainesport Fire Company

Mayor Masciocchi read a letter from a resident complimenting the Hainesport Fire Company for some work they did for her.

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeewoman Schneider. All yes.

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

Louis Lopez, 98 Levis Drive, Mt. Holly – asked Ms. Kosko what is happening with the houses on Maple Avenue in Hainesport. She stated that those houses are owned by the county freeholders and she believes that they are being torn down. Mr. Lopez asked what happened to the young man that was "Mayor for the Day" last month. Mayor Masciocchi jokingly said he resigned. Mr. Lopez asked if he could have made any changes as the "Mayor for the Day" and was told he could not.

Roger Schneider, 611 Broad Street – asked Ms. Kosko about an update on the "100 year ditch" and was told that she has not received the summary letter from Marty Miller yet. He said he only asked because the water is changing and there is a lot of

flooding everywhere and he is getting more concerned. Mr. Schneider said he contacted the mosquito commission and they said they may help in the winter. He went on to say that if the township gets the ditches cleaned out it will help to drop our insurance.

Anna Evans, 63 Parry Drive – said it was stated in public about her that perhaps she hadn't written the letters to the Burlington County Times which were read in part out loud in the last township meeting. She wanted to say that she would never allow that to happen. She is perfectly capable of writing coherent letters to the editor and will continue to do so as is her democratic right. She 100% believes that what Mr. Fitzpatrick meant is that this "Pay to Play" ordinance is all about appearances and optics and trying to pretend that you are doing something, when you are really doing nothing at all.

Catherine McNelis, 407 Bischoff Avenue – asked if it were possible to find out how many people were going to be able to enforce the municipal code and the mayor said the township could get that information and publish it. Ms. Kosko said it would be the Public Works foreman and anyone else designated by the administrator or the township committee to enforce code. This is partly born of some residents' concerns about people putting trash out too early and our code enforcement officer only being part-time. This would allow us to be more effective in enforcing our codes and addressing things a lot more expeditiously. Ms. McNelis then said that if the township had a real "Pay to Play" ordinance it would make it a level field for everybody. Everybody would get the same instead of the special people getting a lot of money.

Scott Cooper, 44 Patriot Way – asked the committee when the people would find out about the electric they are being switched over to. Ms. Kosko said she spoke to someone from CUC today and found out that at this point in time they are waiting for the county to sign the agreement and then PSE&G to provide the account information and addresses to CUC. At that point we will put the information kit together which we will check first and then send it out. The representative thinks it will be about a month before the kits go out and has made it very clear that if anybody has any questions or concerns Ms. Kosko is to pass on her telephone number. The representative will be in the building for a week when the kits get mailed out and will also be able to take phone calls here. Mr. Cooper asked if it would be this fall and Ms. Kosko thought it would be middle to late September. He asked what the name of the company is and was told it is Tri-Eagle. He went on to say that there was a resolution tonight for the township to switch their billing to Progressive Energy and wondered why the township is going to Progressive and the rest of the township is going to Tri-Eagle. Ms. Kosko explained to him that agreement was already done by the freeholders so we are joining the Burlington County Freeholders Energy Aggregation Program. We have to go with the program they have vetted. The township doesn't have the luxury for our municipal accounts to be a part of this program. There was a discussion on whether or not the program for the township was better than the program for the residents and Ms. Kosko said it wasn't necessarily

better but the township has to play the market and the other program was approved by the freeholders.

Ryan Peters, 14 North Deer Place – said he wanted to respond to the residents questions on Tri-Eagle. He stated that no one is being forced to join Tri-Eagle. He explained how the program began and that the rates are 3% lower than PSE&G. If a resident wants to opt out they can. Assemblyman Peters compared it to Costco in that if you buy in bulk you can sell a product at a lower price. He went on to say that the township does not qualify for Tri-Eagle so they had to go to another supplier. He said he is happy, as a resident, to be included in the program.

Margie Colby, 112 New Jersey Avenue – said that this was all decided by "the powers that be" and not put to a vote to the constituents of Hainesport. She doesn't think that was proper. Mayor Masciocchi asked if it should have been a referendum and not a committee vote. Mrs. Colby said that is what she thinks. She went on to say that she does not feel that the residents were given the proper "heads up". This is one thing, how many other things will the committee pass without letting the residents know. Mayor Masciocchi told her there is an agenda that is published on the website that states what will be done at the meetings. Not everything can be decided by referendum, which is not our form of government. Mr. Fitzpatrick said that this whole thing had come up before when there was a previous committee here of which he is the last one standing. At that time they felt the same way she does and he still feels that way. He asked her not to paint them as a whole committee, he did not vote for this program. Mrs. Colby reiterated that she believes the residents should have been given a vote for the program. Ms. Schneider said that to not have the program takes away their choice completely so by passing the program it gives the residents a choice to stay in or opt out. There was a discussion between Ms. Schneider and Mrs. Colby.

Heather Brandolph, 1 Wells Court – said she objects to the way the electric program was done and the lack of communication regarding it. She has a two year old and it is difficult for her to come to meetings. This room is not big enough for all the residents to come to the meetings. She tried to research what was passed and what it was about. She thought it was very odd that the committee did this. She went to refer to the meeting minutes and they were not there twenty days after the meeting. She found out they get discussed tonight and then get posted after this meeting. The only source of information she had was Anna Evan's blog. After all the times she and her husband have been approached by suppliers they have researched the information and have decided they do not want to switch. They have made the decision multiple times; they want to stay with PSE&G. Mrs. Brandolph said as long as they see the mailer about the program they will be able to opt out of the program. She said it is all an inconvenience to the residents for something they do not want. She understands the committee thinks it is for a better rate but they are not paying their bills. She said it is her bill and not the township's business. It is her choice as a consumer. Mayor Masciocchi answered her that the situation of the minutes could be better but as far as the other matter; the township can always get out if the majority of the township does

not want to participate. Ryan Peters got up again and explained to Mrs. Brandolph and the audience several points of the energy program. He said there was always the opportunity for them to opt out of the program and there would be no problems doing so. Mrs. Brandolph asked when the program would be set up and was told that it would be soon. She asked about the timing of the contracts and was told it would renew every two years but Mr. Peters does not remember when it would start or end. Ms. Schneider said that if a resident opts out of the program and then decides to opt in at a later date that is fine; you can opt in and out as often as you choose. Mr. Peters said it is not just in Burlington County.

Committeeman Costa spoke to the audience and said that he had voted against the program at the last meeting. He did that because he also felt that we should all make up our own minds and shouldn't be coerced even if we have the right to back out. He looked at the potential savings and savings on a \$150 electric bill are about \$4.50. That is 3%. For that small amount of savings he doesn't feel it is worth firing the whole town up and getting them angry and taking some decisions away from them. So knowing that, some public is speaking here, so at the next meeting he will broach the topic of entertaining a motion to put the whole plan on hold.

Ron Napoli, 120 Paisley Place – said he knows this electric aggregation issue was not an easy one for the committee. He is sorry to see some grandstanding taking place this evening when they think they have house full of people who might agree with them. But more importantly, he thanked the committee for having the courage to give residents the opportunity to save some money. It may not be enough. Mr. Napoli said it is a matter of choice. He heard tonight that you can opt out even as the program begins. So again, he appreciates the chance to save some money. Another issue he wanted to talk about is "Pay to Play". He has been coming to the meetings for about a year now and it is wearying to hear the innuendo and the illusion that there is some evil going on in this township. Mr. Napoli is glad to see that the new committee is attempting to do things that are within the law of the State of New Jersey. Anything we can do to make that even more permanent is something we should look into. But to continually attempt to potentially smear other people's reputations is totally unfair.

Debra James, 1609 Deacon Road – said at the very end of Deacon Road as you approach Marne Highway there is a dead tree on the right hand side. She is very concerned that every time she brought it up last year it was either a county issue or township issue, they weren't sure who was going to take that tree down. It is getting worse and Ms. James is worried that someone is going to be driving down Deacon Road and a big branch is going to fall on their car. Mayor Masciocchi said the township will look into that.

Thomas Kennedy, 6 South Hunterdon Avenue – said there was a gentleman that spoke about the development that was going up on the Route 38 corridor by Pep Boys. He was saying that he would love to deed or donate land back to the township and he used the word "burden" to the new residents of that community. If it is going

to be a burden why would the township want that burden? Once that development is in there, it is our responsibility to maintain it and then they will want a park and we will have to pay for that. Mr. Kennedy thinks it is very troubling. He is the developer and it would be his responsibility to maintain that. Mayor Masciocchi told him to remember that the township has not accepted the offer. Mr. Costa told Mr. Kennedy that once that land is available for development, the property owners on Route 38 can buy the portion of land behind their lots and expand their present lots. He said you can do a lot more with the extra land. That is the reason why it may be a good thing. Mayor Masciocchi said the problem with that theory is while you are waiting for the good deal someone has to maintain the property and you do not know how long that is going to take and there are at least five property owners that abut that property. All five of them would have to agree to buy the land. Some carrying costs would be on the township. There was some more discussion on the matter. Mr. Kennedy then talked about the vote on the tractor and the flail mower. It was very troubling to him that members of the committee voted on something they did not know what they were voting on. They just passed a resolution for \$81,000 and do not know what it is. Mayor Masciocchi said he knew it was a mower but coming from the city, he did not know exactly what kind. Mr. Kennedy then said that looking at the beautiful flag we saluted there were some people that thought it was a burden to do so. We have men and women carrying that flag into battle and that is a burden. There are people sitting here in an air conditioned building and are complaining about having to drive over here to see what is on the agenda. Mr. Kennedy went on to ask the committee to please be responsible with the resident's money.

Catherine McNelis, 407 Bischoff Avenue – said she was wondering how they are going to expand all that ground down Route 38 when they gave all that ground to Quaker. Mr. Costa said he only stated that once the town is given that land the residents can purchase it and expand their commercial horizons to give us better tax ratables. Ms. McNelis said you have six or seven acres that you can actually build on. They want to put twenty houses on the land; there won't be any place to park. She doesn't understand why we would even allow Quaker to come in to Hainesport after every house they built had to have the front replaced. Mr. Costa reminded her that was twenty years ago. Ms. McNelis agreed and said that for ten years they have done nothing along the Route 38 corridor but give this 500 feet by half a mile to Quaker so they can put twenty houses there. There continued to be a discussion between Mr. Costa and Ms. McNelis concerning the corridor. Mayor Masciocchi said that Quaker would have to prove to us that it is buildable. Ms. McNelis asked what the redevelopment plan was for; is it for these properties? Mayor Masciocchi told her it is not.

13. COMMENTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Ms. Kosko said that the Edwin, Albert and Washington Street curbing and sidewalk project was completed last week. Last night she was informed that there is a solar company going around town soliciting; apparently it was noted on social media. She wanted to let the residents know what a solicitor's permit looked like so she posted

one on the website. Solicitors are required to register with the township and they do get approval from the Lt. at the New Jersey State Police. The person going around last night does not have a solicitor's permit. Ms. Kosko encourages residents to ask to see the permit if they are coming to your door. If they do not have one, most likely they are not vetted and you should call the non-emergency telephone number for the State Police. During the day you can call the township and it will be handled accordingly. The first annual Family Movie Night is scheduled for Friday, September 21st at 6 p.m. here at the Municipal Park. The Boy Scouts will be selling refreshments out of the concession stand so the Recreation Department encourages everyone to come out and participate; bring your chairs and blankets. The movie is Despicable Me 3. Ms. Kosko gave the committee an update on the Kleiner property. Our contracted LSRP has been working on the appropriate filings with DEP and she also provided our planners outline and project approach for the property. We are moving forward on that. Ms. Kosko stressed to the audience that she is in the building every day and if a resident has any questions about anything that is going on, she is always here Monday through Friday; they can send her an email, she gets them on her phone and she responds pretty much all the time. That is her responsibility. Ms. Kosko said lawfully the township cannot post unapproved meeting minutes. They are actually not OPRA-able anymore. Unapproved meeting minutes are not subject to public viewing until they are properly approved. She also wanted to get the committee's approval to get Mr. Kennedy to come to the building to raise the KIA flag on behalf of Hainesport Township.

14. COMMENTS FROM THE SOLICITOR

Mr. Luttrell said despite some of the controversy over the topics, tonight his comments are very limited. There is no question about the legislative process by which any of the ordinances or resolutions that were adopted tonight have been publicly noticed and adopted. There is no question about this substantive legal merit of those resolutions and ordinances as well. As to the political accountability of those, they are a separate question but the manner that the committee has acted is sound and proper. Same with the approval of the minutes and the publication.

15. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE

Mr. Costa said it was nice to see everybody. We do not usually get this many people out. Since there were so many statements made from the political opposition, he thought he would add something. Last year was one of the nastiest political campaigns he ever saw. He was falsely accused of sexual harassment and you can imagine how his new bride felt about that. Those charges were later retracted on his opponent's FACEBOOK page but nevertheless, the damage was done. Mr. Costa said people want him to sue those responsible, but he has moved on; he knows that such tactics are now sadly part of the political environment that we now live. He said he asks everyone else to move on as well.

Mrs. Gilmore thanked everyone for coming out. She mentioned that the Concerts in the Park are now over and they were all wonderful. Paula Tiver and Donna Casey did a great job on them. It was a great season. More people should come out to the various events that are available to the residents. Mrs. Gilmore thanked Mr. Tyler for coming out and presenting the KIA flag. She read in some material that the fire company was able to obtain a couple of new volunteers and they are sending them to class; she would like to see some volunteers for the EMTs. It is a big advantage to the community to have the volunteers and it would be a shame to lose them. There is a Senior Citizen's meeting on August 23 at noon. It is a very good place to go to meet new friends.

Ms. Schneider said it looks like filming of the township meetings will be up and running by the September 11th meeting, and how that is going to work is that they will record the meeting and then upload the video overnight and they will be on the township website the next day. You will not have to wait a month to see what happened at the meeting. She also thanked Assemblyman Peters for coming out tonight and addressing the questions about the electric program.

Mr. Fitzpatrick said he had no comments for this evening.

Mayor Masciocchi thanked Assemblyman Peters and Mr. Tyler for coming out tonight. It is a great honor to have the KIA flag and to fly it proudly for our township. This is a small town and he says it every meeting. We may agree on certain issues, we may disagree on other issues but the bottom line is that we are trying to do what is best for the town. Let's see how this aggregation program works; if it does everybody will be happy, if it does not then we will make the appropriate changes. But you have your options available to you. It was not his intent or anyone else's intent to usurp anyone's personal authority. Mayor Masciocchi said they are looking more in terms of what is good for the community as a whole. We are not trying to expand government here; we are trying to offer a convenience. There is no indication that anyone has done anything wrong with this constant "Pay to Play" argument. Without substantive proof or something to go on or indicate some impropriety, if you think you have the evidence follow up on it and make the complaint in the appropriate forum. Coming here week after week repeating the same song and dance in an attempt to gain political capital is an insult, not only to this committee but to every member of the township. Our town is fortunate that we have five people up here that think of the township first. There has been more public comment allowed here than has been allowed in the past. That is because we want to hear what you want to say. No one is being gaveled or shut up; no one is being told they had their chance and can't speak again. Mayor Masciocchi said in the same token there are rules that have to be followed; you don't get to say what you want to say in an attempt to divert the business of the committee. It is the committee's business to look out for the town first and that is what they are trying to do. Sometimes they are very good at it and sometimes they are not so good at it.

Motion: Committeeman Costa. Second: Committeewoman Gilmore. All yes. Committeeman Fitzpatrick recused himself from: Resolutions 18-00657, 18-00599, 18-00661 and 18-00671.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. **RESOLUTION 2018-130-8** Resolution to Enter into Executive Session
 - 1. Real Estate Offer of Sale and Potential Acquisition

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeeman Costa. All yes.

At approximately 8:48 P.M., Administrator/Clerk Kosko asked for a motion to reenter open session

Motion: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeewoman Schneider. All yes.

Motion to adjourn: Committeewoman Gilmore. Second: Committeeman Costa. All yes.

18. **ADJOURNMENT** @ **8:49 P. M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Paula L Kosko, RMC

Paula L Kosko Municipal Clerk