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HAINESPORT TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 12, 2019

7:00 P.M.

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting of March 12, 2019 was included in a meeting notice sent to the Burlington County Times and Courier Post On January 4, 2019 and advertised in said newspapers on January 6, 2019, and January 7, 2019 respectively posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building on January 7, 2019 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 Deputy Mayor Gilmore at 7:00 P. M.
2. **FLAG SALUTE**
3. **ROLL CALL** - present were Committeewoman Gilmore, Committeewoman Schneider, Committeeman Costa and Committeeman Clauss. Also present were Township Clerk/Administrator Paula Kosko and Attorney John Gillespie. Mayor Masciocchi was absent.
4. **MINUTES**
 - A. **APPROVAL OF REGULAR COMMITTEE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 12, 2019**
 - B. **APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 12, 2019**

Motion: Committeewoman Schneider. Second: Committeeman Costa. All yes.
5. **REPORTS**
 - A. **Tax Collector** – February 2019
 - B. **Code Enforcement** – February 2019
 - C. **Fire Official** – February 2019
 - D. **Construction** – February 2019
 - E. **Emergency Services Reports** – February 2019

Motion: Committeeman Costa. Second: Committeewoman Schneider. All yes.
6. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – Agenda items only**
(Comments are limited to 5 minutes)

There were no comments.

7. DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

Proclamation Recognizing Dawn Emmons-Tuliano Upon her Retirement from Public Service

Deputy Mayor Gilmore read and presented a proclamation to Dawn Emmons-Tuliano for her service to Hainesport Township.

Ms. Kosko spoke to the committee and audience about how much Mrs. Emmons-Tuliano helped her through a change in her career when she came to Hainesport Township. She was very helpful with everything She shared her knowledge and experience at all times. On behalf of the residents of Hainesport Township, she thanked Mrs. Tuliano for the strong financial position the town is in and she should be commended for that. She wished her the best of luck on her retirement. Mr. Gillespie also spoke to Mrs. Emmons-Tuliano about how long he has known her and said that they didn't always agree on things but they did find a way to get things done and done the right way. He wished her all the best on her retirement. Ms. Kosko presented Mrs. Emmons-Tuliano with a card and hand carved flowers from the staff, committee and Mr. Gillespie. Mr. Costa also talked about how Mrs. Emmons-Tuliano found out several years ago that the then mayor and the acting CMFO had been stealing money from the township. She had found out about the theft and notified the township and after that, she was able to clean everything up and take care of things. Mr. Costa said she has his accolades.

8. ORDINANCES

- A. **ORDINANCE 2019-1** – 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 April 9, 2019)**

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

- B. **ORDINANCE 2019-2** – Amending and Supplementing Chapter 123 of the Township Code Entitled “Parks” to Improve Standards for Parks and Recreation **(First Reading and Introduction) (Public Hearing and Final Adoption April 9, 2019)**

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

9. RESOLUTIONS

- A. **RESOLUTION 2019-64-3** – Introduction of the 2019 Budget

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

- B. **RESOLUTION 2019-65-3** – Correcting the Performance Bond for Our Lady Queen of Peace

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

- C. **RESOLUTION 2019-66-3** – Authorizing a 1-Year Extension of the Contract with TLC Landscape Co. for Lawncare and Field Maintenance of Hainesport

Recreation Complex, Hainesport Chase Park, Hainesport Township Public Park and Rancocas Heights/Samuel H. Robins Park

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

- D. **RESOLUTION 2019-67-3** – Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Amusement Rentals for Municipal Complex Movie Nights

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

- E. **RESOLUTION 2019-68-3** – Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Fiscal Grant – Cycle July 2014-June 2019 (1-yr extension)

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

- F. **RESOLUTION 2019-69-3** – Approving a Block Party From 1 Hastings Lane to 15 Hastings Lane

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

- G. **RESOLUTION 2019-70-3** – Authorizing Disposal/ Sale of Surplus Property no Longer Needed for Public Purposes Pursuant to Statute 40A:11-36

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

- H. **RESOLUTION 2019-71-3** – Approving Project Scope for Phillips Road Improvements

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

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

Ron Napoli, 120 Paisley Place – asked what impact the budget that was introduced would have on taxes. Mr. Costa interjected that the budget was not set in stone at this time. Mr. Napoli said he understood that but he is always confused why the committee never talks about it. Ms. Kosko said it is odd because it is a resolution that has a public hearing on it; which will be at the next meeting. Mr. Napoli asked if what they are introducing does have an impact on taxes and she answered yes. Ms. Kosko stated that the increase for a house assessed at \$278,105 would come to \$21.38 per year. The home assessment is lower than last year’s.

Jennings Black, 2505 Elm Avenue – talked about a house that is empty on Marne Highway and appears to be abandoned. He asked if any action could be taken to remedy the situation. He said it has been closed up for about 50 years. After some discussion, it was decided which property it is. Mr. Black went on to talk about townhouses being built off of Briggs Road in Mt. Laurel and said that construction dirt will go in to the Rancocas and will affect his area of the Rancocas Creek. He then talked about his desire to build a garage on his property

and the problems he has had in doing so. He understands they are on the creek and have to deal with flood plains, but he thinks that since the pumping station was built and “they” already jumped through all the hoops, he shouldn’t have to do the same thing to build a garage. When the township took that property from the Blacks, they were very compassionate, he thinks, considering what the property was worth and sold the property to the township. He went on to say that he believes he should be allowed to build a garage on his property. Mr. Black went on to say that he had built a berm along the road to deflect run-off on the road. He said he had used ground up asphalt and various other materials to build the berm and it is now deteriorating. He did not get any permits, he just did it. He would like the township to build another berm for the road. He said it is right along the edge of the road at his property. Mr. Gillespie asked Mr. Black some questions about the berm including if where he wants the township to build the berm is on his property and commented about the land that Mr. Black had sold. He told Mr. Black that the township did not buy the land from him, but that the Mt. Holly MUA had done so. Ms. Kosko said that she was concerned about a berm being made with crushed asphalt and the contaminants affecting the creek due to storm water runoff. She went on to say that the township would not be able to just build a berm. The township is bound by the laws and following proper procedures such as filing the proper permits and doing things appropriately. There is a great possibility that using ground up asphalt may not be allowed. NJDEP and all appropriate agencies would have to be notified and permits completed. She suggested that Mr. Black come in and talk to her about the situation and he agreed.

11. COMMENTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Ms. Kosko said she was happy to announce that the township has received a FEMA reimbursement from Super Storm Quinn which happened in March of 2018. We received a \$33,716 FEMA grant. This reimbursement will help to offset the capital purchase of turn out gear for the Fire Company. She said she is also pleased to announce that the Hainesport Recreation Commission, Deputy Mayor Gilmore and herself, are working on coordinating the first annual senior citizen’s prom. This will be open to all senior citizens of Hainesport Township and they are working with the Ladies Auxiliary from the fire company and the company members to secure a good date on a Friday, late afternoon into early evening in the fall. Ms. Kosko expects to secure a date in the next few weeks. She was also presented with information from the Burlington County Women’s Advisory Council, who are seeking nominations for Outstanding Women of Burlington County. You can find the application on Burlington County’s website and she believes all applications have to be submitted by 4:00 P.M., Monday, April 1st.

12. COMMENTS FROM THE SOLICITOR

Mr. Gillespie had no comments tonight except to wish everyone a Happy St. Patrick’s Day Weekend.

13. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE

Mr. Costa thanked everyone for coming and also wished them a Happy St. Patrick's Day. He also mentioned that he is going to submit a resolution criticizing the governor's declaration to make New Jersey a sanctuary state. He made up a resolution but it is not ready yet. He hopes to introduce it next month.

Miss Schneider said she appreciates everyone coming out tonight and would like to report that, according to Chief Macken, the fire house has been blessed with four new recruits that will start attending the fire academy in August. Spring is just around the corner and we should all be feeling better then.

Mr. Clauss thanked everyone for coming out tonight. He and Mr. Costa went to a municipal budgeting seminar last weekend. They found it very informative and since it is his first time looking at the budget and finding out when we can work with it, he is learning a lot. Everything he learned will be put to good use.

Deputy Mayor Gilmore said that the Senior Citizens have a meeting on the 14th and the 28th at noon at the Street Center on Broad Street. She wanted to remind everybody about recycling. It seems that it needs to be done on a regular basis. Any plastic items that have a 1, 2 or 5 in the triangle are recyclable. There is a free download called "The Recycling Coach" that has all the dates, if there are any changes in the dates, the holidays and tips. It's a handy thing to have. Mrs. Gilmore said some of them had the privilege of attending the banquet that the Fire Company and the EMS had last month and she said it is a well-deserved affair that they have in celebration of the hard work that they do. She said it is nice to see all the young people that are volunteering to help the community. She said she hopes Mayor Masciocchi is at the next meeting and also thanked everyone for coming out this evening.

14. BILL LIST

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

15. ADJOURNMENT 7:31 P. M.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Paula L. Kosko, RMC

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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