

**GREENWICH TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 9, 2016**

The Greenwich Township Committee met in the meeting room of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. Mayor William Reinhart presided; all Committee Members were present. Municipal Solicitor John Carr was also present and is preparing these minutes based upon RMC Lisa Garrison being out of town at the time of the meeting.

Call Meeting to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Statement Regarding Compliance with Open Public Meetings Act

Mayor William Reinhart calls the meeting to Order, leads the Pledge of Allegiance and reads the Statement.

Roll Call

All present

Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes for the January 12, 2016 regular meeting are approved unanimously on motion by Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart.

Treasurer Report/Payment of Bills

Discussion ensues as to the Bill List including questions relating to the methodology for reimbursement of the Wastewater Study Grant payment to Fralinger Engineering which item is discussed and agreed to be looked into and the methodology for the USDA Wastewater Management Study Grant having been granted in 2015 but now being spent in 2016 is discussed. Additionally, there is discussion as to there being more fuel bills because of the smaller tank for oil at the OEM Building and the need to calculate the total amount owed on account of the oil leak which the County is taking responsibility for based upon the oil spill at the OEM Building relating to service to the generator.

Discussion ensues as to long distance service bills and availability at the Township Building.

On motion by Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley the Bill List is approved unanimously in the amount of \$356,101.91.

Resolutions

The CAP Ordinance No. 25-2016 is discussed as being ordinary housekeeping and on motion by Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart it is introduced unanimously. This is to be published and a public hearing is to be scheduled next meeting.

Resolution 2-19-2016 authorizing an agreement between the County of Cumberland and Township of Greenwich regarding the Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention is discussed based upon the appearance of a representative from the Alliance at the last meeting and on motion by Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart it is passed based upon the representation by the Alliance Representative at the last meeting that there will be no mandatory out-of-pocket expenditure to the Township.

Unfinished Business

It is discussed that the property sale documentation provided in the Solicitor's packet will be reviewed by the Committee and the land sale should be put back on the agenda in the form of an Ordinance for purposes of identifying excess and unneeded properties pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13. This for the March meeting.

A discussion ensues as to the appropriateness of asking for a fee for the use of facilities given the Use of Facilities Form adopted by the Township Committee in the 2015 year. The Mayor and Committee agree to give the issue some thought.

Old Business

The Mayor reports that the fire hall former air conditioning openings are now closed up and payment to the vendor should be appropriate.

The OEM Coordinator position having not yet been advertised on the website, it is determined that the Solicitor should reach out to make sure the position is advertised on the Township website and it is confirmed that the current Coordinator is still serving.

There is further discussion as to the request to forward spill related bills and the bill related to replacement fuel (for fuel spilled) to the contact relating to the cleanup of the oil spill within the Township. The theory is to fully itemize the Township damages resulting from the spill for the parties taking responsibility for same.

The Mayor announces the fire calls for the month of January as 1 fire call and 5 serious EMS calls.

Solicitor's Report

The Solicitor Report is provided by way of reiteration of the written report presented.

A discussion ensues based upon the Solicitor's Report of the Prosecutor's effort to have all Townships in Cumberland County designate June as Gun Safety Awareness Month. It is discussed that the Township Committee will review the documentation provided and the matter should be put on the agenda for March.

Committee Comments

Committeeman Werley speaks about the Dike Committee meeting and the putting out to bid of the Mill Creek Dike to be done on an emergency basis. He indicates he is meeting with County officials next week regarding the project. He further discusses the NJIT meeting regarding the possible SEA Grant opportunities.

Committeeman Werley speaks further on the issue of the Market Lane issues relating to high tides and County response required. Deputy Mayor Orr indicates it is his sense the County realizes that Market Lane is going to need work in order to preserve it. Deputy Mayor Orr further indicates it is his take that the Watson's Dike project is in a more positive state given that the matter was put out to bid and it appears that South State is the apparent low bidder. There is a discussion of the possible necessity of sheet pile being used on Market Lane as one of the options available to the Township.

There is a discussion as to the whereabouts of the Township tax map which is ordinarily kept in the Township Building.

At 8:12 p.m. on motion by Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley the Township opens the public comment period.

Open Public Comment

Mr. Carluzzo inquires as to the status of having the revaluation completed for Greenwich indicating that Greenwich is the highest taxed Township. The matter is being discussed as a budgetary item for purposes of getting the revaluation process started.

Lorraine Serabian speaks to her difficulty in using the Township website and some discussion ensues in an attempt to help acclimate her to the website "drop downs".

At 8:18 p.m. on motion by Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Mayor Reinhart the public comment session is closed.

Adjournment

Thereafter, on the adjournment motion by Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr the meeting is unanimously adjourned.