

**GREENWICH TOWNSHIP
MINUTES OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 16, 2020
7:30 p.m.**

Mayor Reinhart called the virtual meeting to order stating “adequate notice of this meeting was provided in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act by notifying the South Jersey Times on January 6, 2020.”

Roll Call: Mayor Reinhart, Committeeman Werley and Deputy Mayor Orr were present. Also present were Lisa Garrison, Clerk; John Carr, Solicitor; Kim Fleetwood, CFO/Treasurer and Ray Colavita, Township Auditor.

Flag Salute: Mayor Reinhart

Approval of Minutes: On motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to approve the minutes of May 19, 2020, unanimously carried.

Budget: Mayor Reinhart called for the public hearing on the 2020 Municipal Budget of the Township of Greenwich. Mr. Colavita indicated this budget as introduced would represent a 1 ¾ cent tax increase on the local purpose tax. On motion of Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Committeeman Werley to open the public hearing, unanimously carried. There being no comment forthcoming on motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to close the public hearing, unanimously carried. On motion of Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to approve the following resolution, unanimously carried upon roll vote. Ayes: Orr, Werley, Reinhart Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

RESOLUTION NO. 6-26-2020

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said budget was published in The South Jersey Times on June 5, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Township of Greenwich does hereby adopt the attached as the Budget for the year 2020.

Ordinances:

Mayor Reinhart called for the public hearing on Ordinance No. 49-2020. On motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to open the public hearing, unanimously carried. There being no comment forthcoming on motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded

by Deputy Mayor Orr to close the public hearing, unanimously carried. On motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to adopt the following ordinance, unanimously carried upon roll call vote. Ayes: Orr, Werley, Reinhart Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

ORDINANCE NO. 49-2020

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENWICH SETTING FORTH THE
2020 SALARIES**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of Greenwich, County of Cumberland and the State of New Jersey, that the salaries of the Township Officials for the year 2020 are as follows:

TITLE, MUNICIPAL OFFICER	AMOUNT OF SALARY
Township Committee Member	\$ 2,180
Township Committee Chairman	\$ 2,540
Township Clerk	\$ 8,868
Chief Financial Officer	\$ 5,216
Treasurer	\$ 6,376
Tax Assessor	\$ 5,311
Tax Collector	\$ 7,761
Housing/Zoning	\$ 3,840
Emergency Management Coordinator	\$ 3,078
Dog Registrar	\$ 500
Planning Board Secretary	\$ 2,900
Webmaster	\$1,068

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 50-2020

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PREVIOUS ORDINANCES AUTHORIZING
PARTICIPATION IN THE JOINT MUNICIPAL COURT KNOWN AS THE
CUMBERLAND-SALEM REGIONAL MUNICIPAL COURT AND AUTHORIZING
AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT FOR THE OPERATION OF A JOINT
MUNICIPAL COURT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF DEERFIELD, TOWNSHIP
OF DOWNE, TOWNSHIP OF GREENWICH, TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL,
TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE, TOWNSHIP OF PITTSBORO, BOROUGH OF
SHILOH, TOWNSHIP OF STOW CREEK AND TOWNSHIP OF UPPER
DEERFIELD**

WHEREAS, Greenwich Township did previously adopt an Ordinance authorizing the participation in the Joint Municipal Court (hereinafter "Joint Municipal Court") by the Township of Deerfield, Township of Greenwich, Township of Hopewell, Township of

Lawrence, Township of Pittsgrove, Borough of Shiloh, Township of Stow Creek and Township of Upper Deerfield (hereinafter the “Participating Municipalities”); and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the establishment of the Joint Municipal Court, the Participating Municipalities entered into an Agreement for the Operation of the Joint Municipal Court dated January 9, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Municipal Court has become known as the “CS Regional Municipal Court”; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the January 9, 2012 Agreement between the Participating Municipalities, the CS Regional Municipal Court Committee was established; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, the Township of Greenwich adopted an amending Ordinance authorizing the participation of Downe Township in the CS Regional Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the establishment of the CS Regional Municipal Court , the participating municipalities entered into an Agreement authorizing the participation of Downe Township in the operation of the CS Regional Municipal Court dated July 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Commercial Township has requested to become a participant in the CS Regional Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, the CS Regional Municipal Court Committee has reviewed the request from Commercial Township; and recommended to the participating municipalities that Commercial Township be admitted as a participant to the CS Regional Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of Greenwich Township has determined to admit Commercial Township as a Participating Municipality in the CS Regional Municipal Court and to take the action necessary to amend the existing CS Regional Municipal Court Agreement dated January 9, 2012 and the amended agreement dated July 1, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich as follows:

1. Previous ordinances adopted in 2011 and 2015 be and the same are hereby amended to authorize participation by Commercial Township in the Joint Municipal Court known as CS Regional Municipal Court.
2. The Participating Municipalities, following the adoption of this Amendment to Ordinance No. _____, will be Commercial Township, Downe Township, Township of Deerfield, Township of Greenwich, Township of Hopewell, Township of Lawrence, Township of Pittsgrove, Borough of Shiloh, Township of Stow Creek and Township of Upper Deerfield.

3. The terms and conditions associated with the admission of Commercial Township to the CS Regional Municipal Court are that Commercial Township shall agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of the January 9, 2012 Agreement and further that it shall remain a member of the CS Regional Municipal Court for a period of not less than three (3) years from July 1, 2020, (the “Effective Date”) of the Amendment to the Joint Municipal Court Agreement and shall have no right to withdraw prior to the expiration of three (3) years from the Effective Date.
4. The Greenwich Township Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an Amendment to the Joint Municipal Court Agreement to permit the participation by Commercial Township and to amend that Agreement to provide that Commercial Township’s participation shall be for a period of not less than three (3) years from the Effective Date of July 1, 2020.
5. This Amended Ordinance shall be conditioned upon, and shall not take effect unless and until all Participating Municipalities adopt an Ordinance authorizing participation in the CS Regional Municipal Court by Commercial Township and further authorizing and joining in the Amendment to the Joint Municipal Court Agreement dated January 9, 2012 and the amended agreement dated July 1, 2015.

On motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to approve the introduction of the foregoing ordinance and schedule the public hearing on July 21, 2020, unanimously carried upon roll call vote. Ayes: Orr, Werley, Reinhart Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 6-27-2019

**RESOLUTION OF THE GREENWICH TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING
THE ACQUISITION OF A MOTOROLA PORTABLE HT1250, 500 MHZ RADIO
FROM THE CITY OF BRIDGETON FIRE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgeton Fire Department having complied with the Federal mandate for narrow banding and did thereafter upgrade their mobile radios; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgeton having provided notice to its working partners that it has a surplus of radio equipment which is outdated as to the City; and

WHEREAS, the Greenwich Fire Department in the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey is desirous of obtaining one of the portable radios; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgeton Fire Department and the Greenwich Fire Department work together regularly and in cooperation; and

WHEREAS, the Greenwich Fire Department has an operational use that will benefit the community through the transfer of said equipment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgeton Fire Department is asking \$200.00 for each radio;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey that the Township of Greenwich be and is hereby authorized to acquire one Motorola HT1250, 500 MHZ portable radios at the rate of \$200.00.

On motion of Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley to approve the foregoing resolution, unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business:

2nd Amendment Request – Mr. Carr had previously circulated a sample resolution utilized by other municipalities. He explained the purpose of said resolution. After review and discussion the Committee directed the Clerk to place the resolution on the next agenda.

New Business:

DOT Road Grant - Applications are due July 1, 2020. After review and discussion the Committee chose Wyble Drive. Deputy Mayor Orr will reach out to the Engineer to review Wyble Drive and determine if it is a viable application.

Generator Maintenance Agreement – Committeeman Werley indicated there was no increase in the new agreement. After review and discussion the Committee authorized the renewal of the maintenance agreement.

Deputy Tax Assessor - The Tax Assessor had advised the Committee the company she uses to assist her will not be doing further work. The Township of Hopewell is hiring the individual that she utilized as a Deputy Assessor. Ms. Mazza, Township Assessor, is requesting the Township Committee hire this individual also and is requesting the salary not exceed the amount paid to the company, which is \$325 per quarter. Ms. Fleetwood, Acting CFO/Treasurer, indicated a salary for a Deputy Assessor has not been budgeted and payroll taxes would be an additional expense. It was determined to wait until October to introduce an ordinance for a Deputy Tax Assessor at which time the Township will be in a position to do the necessary budgetary transfer.

Solicitor's Report: The Solicitor reviewed

- Wertzle Lane – due to the emergent nature of the repairs it was determined in lieu of pursuing proposals the situation was address through Deputy Mayor Orr and David L.
- Interruption of Service – Mr. Carr thanked the Committee for the opportunity to serve Greenwich Township and it's residents. At the previous meeting Mr. Carr indicated there may be an upcoming position that would require him to resign from his position as Solicitor for the Township of Greenwich and it had been determined to solicit proposals.

Committee Comments: Committeeman Werley congratulated the Cumberland Regional High School and Morris Goodwin School graduates. In particular he extended a special congratulation to Katie Orr, Deputy Mayor Orr's daughter. Committeeman Werley thanked the Fire Department for their assistance with the graduation parade. Also thanked was Mr. Carr for his guidance and service to the taxpayers of Greenwich. At this time the Committee discussed the two applicants for the position of Township Solicitor at such time Mr. Carr would be resigning. After review and discussion on motion of Committeeman Werley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to approve the following resolution appointing Thomas Seeley, Esq. as conflict solicitor, unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 6-28-2020

APPOINTING A CONFLICT SOLICITOR FOR GREENWICH TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the Township of Greenwich each year makes a professional appointment to fill the position of Township Solicitor; and

WHEREAS, there arises a need for a Conflict Solicitor in the event, for whatever reason, the named Solicitor for Greenwich becomes unavailable or unable to serve or to continue to so serve; and

WHEREAS, Greenwich Township did solicit requests for proposals by attorneys for the position; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Greenwich, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey does hereby appoint Thomas Seeley, Esq. as Conflict Township Solicitor to act in the event of a conflict or in the event the named Township Solicitor becomes unable or unavailable to serve or to continue to so serve acting consonant with the terms set forth in the annexed proposal submitted by counsel, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to execute such documents as may be necessary in order to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Mayor Reinhart reported a year to date total of fire calls as 41 and 20 EMS calls. Deputy Mayor Orr also extended his thanks to Mr. Carr.

At this time Committeeman Werley indicated Annie Newton was present this evening as she was interested in opening a business in Greenwich. Ms. Garrison indicated the next step for Ms. Newton would be to contact Mr. Lamanteer, Zoning Officer, who would guide her in the steps that would need to be taken to accomplish her goal. Committeeman Werley indicated he would advise Mr. Lamanteer to reach out to Ms. Newton.

Payment of Bills:

After review and discussion on motion by Committeeman Werley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to approve the bill list in the amount of **\$147,334.28**, unanimously carried.

Public Comment:

On motion by Mayor Reinhart, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr and unanimously carried the public comment was opened. There being no comment forthcoming, on motion by Committeeman Werley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Orr to close the public comment, unanimously carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Deputy Mayor Orr, seconded by Committeeman Werley and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Garrison
Borough Clerk