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Dorothy-Jo Ayres
Township Deputy Clerk

Weymouth Township
Dorothy, New Jersey
September 2, 2015

This Regular Meeting of the Weymouth Township Committee was called to order by Chairman Kenneth R. Haeser who led the assembly in the Salute to our Nation's Flag and a moment of silence. The Township Deputy Clerk then read aloud the "Sunshine Law Statement" and called the roll.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Present, Doyle-Present, Haeser-Present.

Also present at this meeting were Michael Fralinger, Township Engineer, Ronald Carroll, Public Works Director, and Dorothy-Jo Ayres, Township Deputy Clerk.

SPECIAL REPORT BY ASSEMBLYMAN SAM FIOCCHI:

Assemblyman Fiocchi thanked the Committee for inviting him to Weymouth Township to speak on the ongoing Verizon phone coverage issues plaguing small municipalities. He wanted to acknowledge the frustration of businesses and residents with the spotty coverage. Siting the most important issue to be safety.

When Assemblyman Fiocchi shared his concern with Governor Christie he set up a meeting with the Chairman of the BPU. Assemblyman Fiocchi along with Mayor Haeser and Mayor Teasenfitz of Estell Manor, as well as representatives from Hopewell Township and Shiloh were in attendance to discuss the issues of concern as well as possible solutions.

New pieces of Legislation have been introduce such as:

1. 25% Corporate Business Tax Incentive for costs associated with the installation and construction of the broadband telecommunication infrastructure throughout the state, which includes the First District. Hopefully this will be an incentive for those companies to move along with those installations.
2. A2459 Establishes one-year moratorium on replacement of copper-based landline telephone service with wireless telephone service; requires BPU to report to Governor and Legislature.

Assemblyman Fiocchi stressed that he is working on maintaining the copper land lines until we can get a viable alternative. Mayor Haeser added that one of the biggest problems we have right now is a stipulation agreement Public Utilities entered into with Verizon allowing them to abandon the copper lines in the next three to five years.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Haeser presented a letter from Atlantic County Executive Dennis Levinson regarding residents receiving their 2015 Estimated Tax Bills. These bills do not reflex any PILOT program because the legislation has not yet been signed by the Governor. At present your Atlantic County tax rate is at 45.8%, under the PILOT Program it will be reduced by 13.5% which would bring the tax rate down to 40.2%.

The Mayor stated that although we definitely want all the help on the Verizon matter that we can get the problem is further along than the petition from Senator Van Drew. We are at a point where it needs to be handled legislatively. The FIOS build is about one third of the way finished.

Updates on the Township:

1. Weymouth Township Facebook page is up and running.
2. Tomorrow there will be an article in the Press about our Clerk's retirement and our new Deputy Clerk.
3. The blood drive on August 28th was a success.
4. Mayor and Public Works Director met with Levy Construction to address some concerns with Municipal Building upgrade project.
5. Health Fair will be held at the Belcoville Fire House on Wednesday October 14th at 10am.

6. Weenie Roast is September 26th at 6PM, Car Show at Fire House will be held earlier in that day.

A representative from the New Jersey State Police Buena Barracks was recognized by the Mayor to give the State Police Report for August.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the meeting be Opened for public discussion at this time.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Discussion from floor in regard to ongoing complaint of recent property revaluation through Vital.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the meeting be Closed for public discussion at this time.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the Township Clerk's Money Received Reports for the month of August, 2015 be accepted and filed.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the Engineer's Report be accepted as discussed and filed.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Michael Fralinger reported that they completed the license renewal inspection of the Oaks. Will have the formalized memo outlining the items that need to be corrected later this week. They have completed the storm water improvements just some additional site readings to go. South Jersey Ave reconstruction is out to bid in paper tomorrow, Bid date set for Tuesday the 15th.

Motion by that the Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the Public Works Director's Report for the month of August, 2015 be approved as discussed and filed.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Ron Carroll, Director of Public Works stated we are looking at approx. \$6000 coming into Township from FEMA grant. He stated reconstruction on parts of the handicap ramp and front step area of building will start on Friday September 4th. Mr. Carroll would like to contact AC Electric on cost savings analysis for changing over all street lights to LED long term.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the amount of \$1892.00 be approved for trim for the ramp.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that Public Works OEM can purchase small trailer and accessories not exceed \$1500.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that Joshua Day can attend class on Turf Grass Management with cost of \$195.00.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the JIF safety money can be used in the amount of \$1980.00 for safety apparel.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the Zoning Officer's Report for the month of August, 2015 be approved as discussed and filed.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the Minutes for the Weymouth Township Committee Meeting of August 19, 2015 be approved and bound into the minute book.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. South Jersey Gas Company, N.J.A.C. 14:3-3A.7 regulation request
2. Atlantic County Improvement Authority Financing Opportunities
3. Support expanding access to driver licenses to undocumented New Jerseyans

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the Correspondence be approved as discussed and filed.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT:

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the Bill List in the amount of \$373,335.89 and the Vouchers for Payment be approved and payment rendered.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Further discussion on the benefits of a Joint Land Use Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that Vernon Clarke be appointed to the Rent Control Board as an alternate #2 member- unexpired term: 1/1/15 to 12/31/16.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Resolution # 57-2015 -Mutual Aid Agreement Between Municipalities.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that Resolution #57-2015 Mutual Aid Agreement Between Municipalities be adopted as read by the Township Deputy Clerk.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the meeting be Opened for public discussion at this time.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the meeting be Closed for public discussion at this time.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Motion by Keiffenheim seconded by Doyle that the meeting stand adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Roll Call: Keiffenheim-Yes, Doyle-Yes, Haeser-Yes.

Approved: September 16, 2015