

TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON
6101 THIRTEENTH STREET
MAYS LANDNG, NJ
MAY 2, 2014

A special meeting of the Township Committee of the To2nship of Hamilton, Atlantic County, New Jersey, was held on the above date with Mayor Roger Silva presiding. Members present were Aline Dix, Rodney Guishard and Judy Link. Ms. Gatto arrived during the executive session. Also present were Randolph Lafferty, Conflict Solicitor, and Joan I. Anderson, Township Clerk.

The meeting opened with the flag salute followed by the Township Clerk certifying compliance with the New Jersey Open Meetings Law by posting a notice of the meeting on the bulletin board in the municipal building and e-mailing a copy of the notice along with the agenda for this meeting to the Press of Atlantic City, Atlantic County Record, Record Journal and Current newspapers stating this special meeting would take place at 6:30 PM on Friday, May 2, 2014 in the municipal building, Mays Landing, NJ.

Mrs. Link moved, seconded by Mayor Silva, that the following resolution be adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hamilton that this meeting be adjourned to an executive session to discuss litigation which is exempt from public discussion pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the governing body will reconvene in public session to confirm the results of the executive session if there is a majority consensus for actin to be taken on the matter tonight.

DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION: Mrs. Dix asked if any employee received a RICE Notice regarding tonight's meeting; and how long the Committee expected to be in executive session; and that she assumed she was excluded. Mr. Lafferty said no RICE Notices were given; he didn't imagine it would be more than 30 minutes; and that Mrs. Dix was not being excluded but she had to recuse herself because she is a direct party of interest. Mrs. Dix said she would remain in the building and asked that someone come get her when the Committee reconvened in public. Mr. Guishard asked if that meant she would not be present. Mr. Lafferty explained the issue involves pending litigation in which Mrs. Dix is a direct party of interest and therefore cannot be present.

There being no further discussion on the motion, Mayor Silva called for a roll call vote on the resolution to adjourn to executive session.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT VOTING "YES" NO "NO", AND NO "ABSTAIN" ON ROLL CALL VOTE, ONE MEMBER ABSENT.

The Public meeting session adjourned at 6:36 PM on the recorder.
Ms. Gatto arrived at 6:40 PM.

The governing body reconvened in public session at 8:04 PM. Mrs. Dix resumed her place on the dais. There were no members of the public present.

Mayor Silva announced there was nothing to confirm.

Public Comment:

There being no questions or comments from the public, Ms. Gatto moved, seconded by Mrs. Link, that the public comment portion be closed.

MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING "AYE", NO "NAY", NO "ABSTAIN".

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There being no further business to be discussed, Ms. Gatto moved, seconded by Mrs. Link, that this meeting be adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING "AYE", NO "NAY", NO "ABSTAIN".

ATTEST:

JOAN I. ANDERSON, R.M.C. TOWNSHIP CLERK