

Township of Hamilton, NJ  
November 5, 2014

A meeting of the Township of Hamilton Industrial Commission was held on the above date with Chairman Gordon Craig presiding.

Present Members: Jack Carson, Michael Collazo, Ariane Newman, Rocco Policarpo, and Charles Pritchard.

Also present were Solicitor, Robert Sandman, Marketing Agent, Tony DiDio, and Philip Sartorio, Director of Community Development.

Absent Member: James Rhodes.

Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Law was acknowledged.

Announcements: There were none.

Approval of Minutes: The September 3, 2014 meeting minutes were tabled because only three of the five members who were present at the previous meeting are in attendance at this evening meeting. (Mr. Collazo, Mr. Pritchard and Mr. Craig).

Mr. Carson moved, seconded by Ms. Newman to carry the motion to approve the September 3, 2014 minutes. SAID MOTION CARRIED WITH SIX (6) MEMBERS VOTING "AYE," NO "NAY," and NO "ABSTAIN."

Mr. Pritchard moved, seconded by Mr. Carson to approve the minutes of the October 1 meeting. SAID MOTION CARRIED WITH FOUR (4) MEMBERS VOTING "AYE," NO "NAY," and ONE (1) "ABSTAIN."

ROLE CALL VOTE ON THE ABOVE MOTION:

Mr. Carson-Aye  
Ms. Newman-Aye  
Mr. Policarpo-Abstain  
Mr. Pritchard-Aye  
Mr. Craig-Aye

Approval of Vouchers: There were none.

Discussion of Carmen Fichetola Park & Robert RaVell Blvd: Discussion ensued regarding the type of plaque and wording on it.

Mr. Colazzo moved, seconded by Mr. Policarpo to authorize up to \$1,000.00 to be spent on the plaque. SAID MOTION CARRIED WITH SIX (6) MEMBERS VOTING “AYE”, NO “NAY” and NO “ABSTAIN”.

ROLE CALL VOTE ON THE ABOVE MOTION:

Mr. Carson-Aye  
Mr. Colazzo-Aye  
Ms. Newman-Aye  
Mr. Policarpo-Aye  
Mr. Pritchard-Aye  
Mr. Craig-Aye

Discussion of tax abatement program: Mr. Craig & Mr. Colazzo along with a Planning Board member & a Township Committee member will be involved with options for a possible program. Mr. Sandman suggested Mr. Johnson (Tax Assessor) also be involved.

Discussion ensued regarding surrounding towns & what their programs consist of.

It was decided that a presentation will be done in January 2015.

Report of Marketing Agent: Mr. DiDio spoke regarding the tax abatement program and what the town can offer.

Mr. Craig stated a piece of land in the park, which the Industrial Commission does not own or have control of, is for sale. A company would like to build an inpatient facility (rehab center).

Public Comments – Chairman Craig opened the public portion of the meeting. Mr. Sartorio commented he is preparing the budget for 2015 & will forward a copy of it. Landscaping & professional fees will be part of it.

Mr. Bruce Strigh spoke regarding signs throughout the park (business signs) & supervision of the signs. He also stated the real estate signs are larger than what is allowed. Mr. Craig & Mr. Sandman stated this is a township issue but will ask professionals to comply.

Chairman Craig asked if anyone else would like to speak during the public portion of the meeting. Mr. Carson moved, seconded by Mr. Colazzo to close the public portion of the meeting. SAID MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING “AYE”, NO “NAY”, NO “ABSTAIN”.

Executive Session: Mr. Carson moved, seconded by Mr. Colazzo to enter into Executive Session to discuss Avalon Limousine. SAID MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING “AYE”, NO “NAY”, NO “ABSTAIN”.

Mr. Sandman stated at 6:57 pm this meeting is now in the open session and the matter discussed in the Executive Session was limited to that subject only. No other matters were discussed. No action was taken with respect to the dialogue that occurred in executive session.

Report from Solicitor: There were none.

Report of Subcommittees: There were none.

Mr. Colazzo announced he will be taking part in a fund raiser for Covenant House by sleeping in the streets & if anyone would like to donate it would be appreciated.

Adjournment – Mr. Pritchard moved, seconded by Mr. Carson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 pm. SAID MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL MEMBERS VOTING “AYE”, NO “NAY”, NO “ABSTAIN”.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Ohnemuller, Interim Secretary