

TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON
6101 THIRTEENTH STREET
MAYS LANDING, NJ
February 6, 2017

The regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Hamilton, Atlantic County, New Jersey was called to order February 6, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. with Mayor John Kurtz presiding.

Flag Salute.

Township Clerk Rita Martino certified adequate notice of this meeting was provided pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law by posting a notice on the bulletin board in the municipal building and by publication in The Press of Atlantic City on 1/9/17, and the Atlantic County Record on 1/11/17.

Roll Call:

Present: Rodney Guishard, John Kurtz, Judith Link, Art Schenker, Roger Silva.
Absent: XXX
Also present: Rita Martino, Township Clerk; Michael Jacobs, Township Administrator;
Evan Labov, Township Solicitor; Kevin Dixon, Township Engineer

A moment of silence for private reflection was observed. Mayor Kurtz asked that everyone remember Arlene Blosch, a dear member of the community who recently passed away.

Addition/Deletion of Late Agenda Items

On motion of Mr. Silva, second of Mrs. Link, it was moved to approve the addition of late list items as follows:

Additions: 6Y. Green Acres Enabling Resolution – Second Street Park (5717 Second Street)
5A. Change the amount of Change Order to read “net decrease in the amount of \$1,083.57.”

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Early Public Comment – It was explained that Early Public Comment is for comments on items that appear on the present agenda; therefore, the people who signed up for same agreed to hold their comments until the regular Public Comment portion of the meeting.

Discussions

Public Hearing on a 5 Year Tax Exemption for 608-610 Mullica Hill Rd., LLC – Block 744 Lot 1
Hearing nothing from the public, Mr. Schenker moved, seconded by Mr. Silva to close the public hearing for the 5 Year Tax Exemption for 608-610 Mullica Hill Rd., LLC – Block 744 Lot 1.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0107 – A Resolution Approving a 5 Year Tax Exemption for 608-610 Mullica Hill Rd., LLC for Renovation/Repair of the Domino’s Pizza located at Block 744 Lot 1 – 6002 Main St.

Mr. Silva moved, seconded by Mr. Guishard that Resolution #2017-0107 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Redevelopment Plan for the Hope Fire Company/American Legion Building – 6007 Second Street, Block 758 Lot 7.

Introduction of Ordinance

Ordinance #1842-2017 – An Ordinance to Adopt a Redevelopment Plan for the Hope Fire Company/American Legion Building – Area in Need of Redevelopment

Phil Sartorio, Director of Community Development, briefly discussed the project, which is funded through the Atlantic County Improvement Authority. The plan proposes to allow for redevelopment of the site with any use currently permitted in the Village Commercial Zoning District (the site is currently in the R-9 Residential District). The proposed plan was prepared by Tiffany Cuviallo, AICP, PP who was also in attendance and briefly outlined key points of the project.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mrs. Link that the following Ordinance #1842-2017 be introduced on first reading with public hearing to be held March 6, 2017:

Ordinance #1842-2017 – An Ordinance to Adopt a Redevelopment Plan for the Hope Fire Company/American Legion Building – Area in Need of Redevelopment

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Public Hearing/Adoption of Ordinances

Ordinance #1841-2017 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 130 of the Hamilton Township Code Governing Buildings Unfit

Upon inquiry from Harry Rogers of Mays Landing, Solicitor Labov explained that the existing code currently refers to Atlantic County Public Health Board and County Health Inspector, both of which no longer exist. The Ordinance will allow the Construction Code Official and the Zoning Code Official to determine when a building is unfit, and will also allow the Township Property Maintenance board to review those determinations. Brief discussion ensued.

Hearing nothing additional from the public, on the motion of Mr. Silva, second of Mr. Guishard, it was moved to close the public hearing of Ordinance # 1841-2017.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Adoption of Ordinance No. 1841-2017

Mr. Silva moved, seconded by Mrs. Link, that Ordinance #1841-2017, which was introduced and passed first reading on 1/17/17 and was duly advertised in the 1/20/17 edition of the Press of Atlantic City with public hearing held as advertised and closed be and is hereby adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Award of Bids/Contracts/Change Orders

Resolution #2017-0108 – A Resolution to Approve Change Order No. 2 for the 2015 NJDOT Municipal Aid Project, Reconstruction of Malaga Road – Section 4 as recommended by Alternate Township Engineer Robert J. Smith III in his correspondence dated 1/23/17 – net decrease in the amount of \$1,083.57.

Mr. Silva moved, seconded by Mr. Guishard that Resolution #2017-0108 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda

Resolution #2017-0109 – A Resolution Commemorating the 30th Anniversary of the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0109 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0110 – A Resolution to rescind Excavation (Sand & Gravel Pit) License previously issued to Aztec Materials, LLC and reissue with corrected dates.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0110 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX
Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0111 – A Resolution Advising the MUA that Conifer Realty, LLC has Provided the Information Required by the Affordable Housing Escrow Agreement to Reserve Funds for the 99 Unit Inclusionary Affordable Housing Development on Block 1131 Lot 5.01.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0111 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX
Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0112 – A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Township Clerk to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority for \$52,754.00 in Program Funding to Undertake Town Hall ADA Improvements Pursuant to the 2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Application.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0112 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX
Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0113 – A Resolution of No Objection to the NJDOT Issuing Permits for the following Coin Drops to be held at the Routes 40 and 50 Intersection.

Giunta-Marucci VFW Post 220 – 5/20/17, 5/21/17, 7/29/17, 7/30/17, 8/5/17, 8/6/17, Rain Dates 6/11/17, 8/20/17, and 8/27/17.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0113 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX
Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0114 – A Resolution of No Objection to the NJDOT Issuing Permits for the following Coin Drops to be held at the Routes 40 and 50 Intersection.

Mays Landing Vol. Fire Dept. Reliance Hose #1 – 6/9/17, 6/23/17, 7/14/17, 7/21/17, 8/18/17, 8/25/17, Rain Dates 6/10/17, 6/24/17, 7/15/17, 7/22/17, 8/19/17, 8/26/17.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0114 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX
Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion to Approve Raffle License for Mays Landing Athletic Association, Inc., a Calendar Raffle to be held on 4/20/17 and 5/18/17.

Upon motion of Mr. Guishard, second of Mr. Silva it was moved to Approve Raffle License for Mays Landing Athletic Association, Inc., a Calendar Raffle to be held on 4/20/17 and 5/18/17.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX
Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion to Approve Raffle License for Jersey Shore Parents Association, an Off Premise Draw Raffle to be held on 4/9/17.

Upon motion of Mr. Guishard, second of Mr. Silva it was moved to Approve Raffle License for Jersey Shore Parents Association, an Off Premise Draw Raffle to be held on 4/9/17.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva

Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion to Approve Raffle License for Oakcrest High School Booster Club, a Calendar Raffle to be held on 3/8/17, 4/12/17, and 5/10/17.

Upon motion of Mr. Guishard, second of Mr. Silva it was moved to Approve Raffle License for Oakcrest High School Booster Club, a Calendar Raffle to be held on 3/8/17, 4/12/17, and 5/10/17.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion to Approve Bingo License for Oakcrest High School Booster Club, Coach Bingo to be held on 3/11/17.

Upon motion of Mr. Guishard, second of Mr. Silva it was moved to Approve Bingo License for Oakcrest High School Booster Club, Coach Bingo to be held on 3/11/17.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion to Approve Raffle License for St. Vincent de Paul Parish, an Off Premise Draw Raffle to be held on 5/28/17.

Upon motion of Mr. Guishard, second of Mr. Silva it was moved to Approve Raffle License for St. Vincent de Paul Parish, an Off Premise Draw Raffle to be held on 5/28/17.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion to Approve Bingo License for St. Vincent de Paul HSA, Designer Bag Bingo to be held on 4/1/17.

Upon motion of Mr. Guishard, second of Mr. Silva it was moved to Approve Bingo License for St. Vincent de Paul HSA, Designer Bag Bingo to be held on 4/1/17.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion to Approve Raffle Licenses for St. Vincent de Paul HSA, to be held on 4/1/17:

1. On Premise 50/50
2. On Premise Merchandise Draw

Upon motion of Mr. Guishard, second of Mr. Silva it was moved to Approve Raffle Licenses for St. Vincent de Paul HSA, to be held on 4/1/17.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion to Approve Request of Senior Citizen Advisory Committee for Membership to Mays Landing Merchants Association.

Upon motion of Mr. Guishard, second of Mr. Silva it was moved to Approve Request of Senior Citizen Advisory Committee for Membership to Mays Landing Merchants Association.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0115 – A Resolution Accepting a 2016 Body Worn Camera Assistance Grant.

Upon motion of Mr. Guishard, second of Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0115 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0116 – A Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Grant Application and the Execution of a Grant Contract with the NJDOT for the Safe Corridor Project.

Upon motion of Mr. Guishard, second of Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0116 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0117 – A Resolution Accepting a Safe and Secure Communities Program Grant.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0117 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0118 – A Resolution Accepting Renewal Proposal for Delta Dental Insurance Administered by Gallagher Benefit Services, Approving Contract Renewals and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Renewals.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0118 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0119 – A Resolution Amending the 2017 Temporary Budget.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0119 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0120 – A Resolution Authorizing Budget Appropriation Reserve Transfers recommended by the CFO.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0120 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0121 – A Resolution Authorizing the Release of Cash Escrow in the Amount of \$1,416.09 posted as a 2 year Maintenance Guarantee for Vickie L. Britton, 6045 Harding Highway (Block 736, Lots 11-13) upon its Expiration Date of 4/7/17, as Recommended by Steve Filippone, in his Correspondence Dated 1/13/17.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0121 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0122 – A Resolution Ratifying Land Sale to Contiguous Owner Pursuant to Ordinance 1838-2016, Lots 12, 18, and 19 in Block 362 - \$600.00.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0122 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0123 – A Resolution Accepting Performance Guarantee for AGS Real Estate, LLC, Block 1134, Lot 4 in the Amount of \$414,357.60 (\$41,435.76 Cash Escrow; \$372,921.84 LOC) as Required by Steve Filippone, Township Engineer’s Estimate dated 10/19/16.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0123 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0124 – A Resolution Denying Release of Travelers Casualty & Surety Company of America Bond #104354108 in the amount of \$395,390.77 Posted as a Performance Guarantee for Victoria Pointe Phase I Improvements – Block 1132.01, Lots 31.01 and 36.01 (Baker Residential of PA, LLC/Iacobucci Homes) due to Incomplete Punchlist Items, as Recommended by Robert Smith, Alternate Township Engineer.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0124 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0125 – A Resolution Denying Release of Travelers Casualty & Surety Company of America Bond #104354188 in the amount of \$277,888.80 Posted as a Performance Guarantee for Victoria Pointe Phase II Improvements – Block 1132.01, Lots 31.01 and 36.01 (Baker Residential of PA, LLC/Iacobucci Homes) due to Incomplete Punchlist Items, as Recommended by Robert Smith, Alternate Township Engineer.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0125 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0126 – A Resolution Denying Release of Travelers Casualty & Surety Company of America Bond #104354189 in the amount of \$158,944.64 Posted as a Performance Guarantee for Victoria Pointe Phase III Improvements – Block 1132.01, Lots 31.01 and 36.01 (Baker Residential of PA, LLC/Iacobucci Homes) due to Incomplete Punchlist Items, as Recommended by Robert Smith, Alternate Township Engineer.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0126 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0127 – A Resolution Denying Release of Travelers Casualty & Surety Company of America Bond #104354190 in the amount of \$208,691.86 Posted as a Performance Guarantee for Victoria Pointe Phase IV Improvements – Block 1132.01, Lots 31.01 and 36.01 (Baker Residential of PA, LLC/Iacobucci Homes) due to Incomplete Punchlist Items, as Recommended by Robert Smith, Alternate Township Engineer.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0127 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0128 – A Resolution Denying Release of Travelers Casualty & Surety Company of America Bond #104354192 in the amount of \$147,564.78 Posted as a Performance Guarantee for Victoria Pointe Phase V Improvements – Block 1132.01, Lots 31.01 and 36.01 (Baker Residential of PA, LLC/Iacobucci Homes) due to Incomplete Punchlist Items, as Recommended by Robert Smith, Alternate Township Engineer.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0128 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0129 – A Resolution Denying Release of Travelers Casualty & Surety Company of America Bond #104354191 in the amount of \$120,289.74 Posted as a Performance Guarantee for Victoria Pointe Phase VI Improvements – Block 1132.01, Lots 31.01 and 36.01 (Baker Residential of PA, LLC/Iacobucci Homes) due to Incomplete Punchlist Items, as Recommended by Robert Smith, Alternate Township Engineer.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0129 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0130 – Green Acres Enabling Resolution – Second Street Park (5717 Second Street)

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0130 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Personnel

Motion to Accept Resignation of Municipal Alliance Committee Member Tiffany Turney, term expiring June 30, 2017.

Upon motion of Mr. Silva, second of Mr. Guishard it was moved to Accept Resignation of Municipal Alliance Committee Member Tiffany Turney, term expiring June 30, 2017.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0131 – A Resolution Appointing Jason Kepner as a Full-Time Temporary Laborer Effective 2/27/17 at \$15.30 per hour not to Exceed Eleven (11) Months.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Schenker that Resolution #2017-0131 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0132 – A Resolution Appointing Todd Bauerband Part-Time Special Law Enforcement Officer Class II at the rate of \$19.00 per hour, contingent upon Successful Completion of Background Investigation, Starting Date to be Announced.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mrs. Link that Resolution #2017-0132 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0133 – A Resolution Appointing Tyquan McIntosh Part-Time Special Law Enforcement Officer Class II at the rate of \$19.00 per hour, contingent upon Successful Completion of Background Investigation, Starting Date to be Determined.

Mrs. Link moved, seconded by Mr. Schenker that Resolution #2017-0133 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Mr. Guishard inquired about the selection process for Class II Officers; Chief Tappeiner gave clarification of the advertisement and application procedures.

Approvals:

Mr. Silva moved, seconded by Mr. Guishard that the regular meeting minutes of the January 17, 2017 meeting are approved as presented.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX

Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Schenker that the Executive Session minutes of the January 17, 2017 meeting are approved as presented.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva

Nay: XXX

Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2017-0134 – A Resolution authorizing payment of approved payrolls and bills-\$5,222,793.14.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2017-0134 be adopted.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva

Nay: XXX

Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Reports

Administrator – nothing at this time.

Solicitor – Mr. Labov stated that with regard to the Santore Gravel Pit, he spoke with the liquidator last week; they are meeting with their counsel and will get back to us on our pleadings which were filed in early January.

He further stated that with regard to Tavistock, the developer moved to have Homeowner's Association litigation and Township litigation joined as one matter. Return date on that motion is 2/17/17.

Engineer- Mr. Dixon reported that he recently had a transition meeting with former Engineer Steve Filippone, in which procedures were discussed and documents transferred.

Preconstruction meetings are being planned for AGS Liquor Store/Mays Landing Liquor Mart.

Traffic control and temporary traffic control is being reviewed and monitored at the site of the Buffalo Pike Project.

Two things that were being worked on in a traffic engineer capacity are the Malaga Road speed limit study and New York Avenue and Route 40 green time increase. DOT has authorized reduction of the speed limit and no-passing zone on Malaga Road, so Ordinance introduction may take place. The possibility of alternate truck routes for the Malaga Road area was discussed.

Mayor Kurtz inquired about the Volunteer Way corridor road, which is still barreled off. Mr. Dixon explained that the only thing holding that up is implementation of the temporary traffic control plan.

Mr. Guishard inquired about the previously discussed possibility of receiving a State refund for the costs involved with halting work on Malaga Road. Some discussion ensued.

Township Committee:

Mr. Silva – nothing at this time.

Mr. Guishard stated that he attended the Green Team meeting, and there will be a Green Day shredding event at Oakcrest High School. He also stated that he attended the meetings of the Planning Board (in which a potential laundromat was discussed, Zoning Board, and South Jersey Transportation Planning Office (SJTPO). The SJTPO approved the by-laws for the Citizens' Advisory Committee; they also gave a comprehensive presentation about the SJTPO and what it does.

Mrs. Link stated that the local Dunkin Donuts is planning to invest in security cameras (indoor and outdoor), which will be beneficial for the laundromat as well as the Dunkin Donuts. A full time attendant is also planned for the laundromat. She also discussed a recent news article regarding upcoming road work this Spring, for which many residents have been waiting.

Mrs. Link recently attended a meeting regarding repair of the hockey courts, where options for same were discussed. She also briefly mentioned the Tanglewood Project and discussed timelines for same.

Mr. Schenker attended the Mayor's meeting in Mayor Kurtz' absence, where Dennis Levenson painted a grim picture of the pilot program passed in Atlantic City before the state takeover. The County was promised 13.3%, and it is unclear whether that will come to pass.

He further stated that he is very happy to see growth in the mall area; it is a positive thing and he hopes it will continue.

Mayor Kurtz discussed a NJ League of Municipalities scholarship program that he has been involved with as Mayor.

He also mentioned some corrections to Department Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson assignments for Committee Members:

Public Works – Roger Silva, Chairperson
John Kurtz, Deputy Chairperson

Public Safety - Art Schenker, Chairperson
Roger Silva, Deputy Chairperson

Mayor Kurtz then opened the floor for public comment.

Public Comment

Fred Akers of Buena Vista Township complimented the Committee on a great job. He discussed a bypass for Malaga Road. He further thanked Committee for their support in applying for the Green Acres grant.

Tyrone Russell of Mizpah thanked Chief Tappeiner and said he now is seeing more police vehicles in the Mizpah area. He further stated that he appreciates the increased involvement of the West End of Mays Landing.

Harry Rogers of Mays Landing inquired as to the tracking of cost of the frivolous lawsuit filed last year, as well as the status of the lawsuit. Mayor Kurtz explained that it is being worked on and the billing process is a long one. Mr. Rogers further stated that it was totally wasted money that we all have to pay, and he would like to know the costs.

Mary Lee Morinelli of Mays Landing inquired about progress of the Animal Control bid. Mr. Jacobs explained that the specifications are still being developed. She distributed a written list of suggested requirements for the specifications. She said that she hopes to get some quality animal control officers for the community. She also inquired and confirmed that Tri-County Animal Control is currently serving the Township's animal control requirements.

Suzanne Fenton, a Mays Landing property owner, stated that she hopes that the bid selection for animal control officer will take into consideration the quality of the service. The Township has the chance to work with a company who does it for the benefit of the animals and not for the paycheck.

Hearing nothing further from the public, on the motion of Mr. Silva, second of Mr. Guishard it was moved to close the public portion.

Recorded Vote: Aye: Guishard, Kurtz, Link, Schenker, Silva
Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

On motion of Mr. Silva, seconded by Mr. Guishard and carried the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Martino, RMC, CMR
Township Clerk