

TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON
6101 THIRTEENTH STREET
MAYS LANDING, NJ
May 6, 2019

The regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Hamilton, Atlantic County, New Jersey was called to order May 6, 2019 at 6:30 pm with Mayor Art Schenker 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 1/10/19, and the Atlantic County Record on 1/16/19.

Roll Call:

Present: Rodney Guishard, John Kurtz, Judith Link, Art Schenker, Roger Silva

Absent:

Also present: Rita Martino, Township Clerk; Michael Jacobs, Township Administrator;
Jessica Budrock, Township Solicitor; Steven Filippone, Township Engineer

A moment of silence for private reflection was observed.

Proclamation – John Groen – 40 years of employment with Township of Hamilton

The Mayor and Committeeman Silva presented John Groen with a Proclamation marking 40 years of employment with The Township of Hamilton.

Addition/Deletion of Late Agenda Items

Mr. Silva moved, seconded by Mr. Guishard that the following be removed from the agenda
8. B (2.) Resolution to appoint Greyson Sapio, Beach Badge Checker @\$10.00 per hour

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

Nay: XXX

Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Early Public Comment

None.

Discussions

Removal of Trees in War Memorial Park

Administrator Jacobs stated that an arborist had determined that some trees need to be removed from War Memorial Park for safety reasons. Committeeman Kurtz suggested that new trees be planted.

Reduction of two (2) Performance Guarantees for Fernmoor Homes at Woods Landing, LLC

Resolution to authorize reduction of Performance Guarantee for Fernmoor Homes at Woods Landing, LLC – Phase 1 from \$271,809.84 to \$148,468.32, as recommended by Alternate Township Engineer Kevin Dixon in his correspondence dated 3/29/19.

Resolution to authorize reduction of Performance Guarantee for Fernmoor Homes at Woods Landing, LLC – Phase 4A from \$222,533.70 to \$78,948.40, as recommended by Alternate Township Engineer Kevin Dixon in his correspondence dated 3/29/19.

Solicitor Jessica Budrock recommended that these items be tabled to allow for additional time to research the issue.

Alternate Engineer Kevin Dixon agreed with the recommendation to table, due to procedural issues.

Mrs. Link moved, seconded by Mr. Guishard **to table both items.**

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

Nay: XXX

Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Public Hearing/Adoption of Ordinances

None

Introduction of Ordinances

None

Award of Bids/Contracts/Change Orders

Resolution #2019-0189 – Resolution awarding contract for Property Maintenance, Mowing, and Other Specialized Landscaping Services for the Township of Hamilton (Bid #2019-02) to Greentrees Landscaping Construction Company, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for the period 6/1/19 – 5/31/20.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0189 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0190 – Resolution authorizing the upfitting of two (2) International Salt Trucks by Trius, Inc. through Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (Contract # ESCNJ 17/18-30), cost not to exceed \$32,989.46.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0190 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda

Items G and H were removed from the Consent Agenda for separate vote.

Resolution #2019-0191 – Resolution approving Coin Drop Application for Mizpah Volunteer Fire Company at Estelle and Landis Avenues, 8am – 5pm, 5/25/19, 5/26/19, 7/6/19, 7/7/19, 8/31/19, 9/1/19.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0191 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0192 – Resolution to authorize release of Performance Guarantee for Buffalo Pike Associates, LLC (Block 1132.01, Lots 23.01, 44, 46, 42.04 and 42.05) in the amount of \$688,296.40, contingent upon posting of a 2-year Maintenance Guarantee in the amount of \$103,244.46, as recommended by Township Engineer Steve Filippone in his correspondence dated 4/24/19.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0192 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0193 – Chapter 159 Resolution to Insert Item of Revenue with Off-Setting Appropriation for Click It or Ticket Grant in the amount of \$5,500.00.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0193 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion to approve Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (SCAC) request to host a Senior Health Fair at the Hamilton Mall, September 28, 2019.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva to approve the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (SCAC) request to host a Senior Health Fair at the Hamilton Mall, September 28, 2019.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0194 – Resolution approving Raffle License #11-2019 – Tricky Tray Raffle License for Egg Harbor Township Soccer Club to be held 5/24/19.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0194 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0195 – Resolution approving Raffle License #12-2019 – On Premise 50/50 Raffle License for Egg Harbor Township Soccer Club to be held 5/24/19.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0195 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0196 – Resolution approving Raffle License #13-2019 – On Premise 50/50 Raffle License for St. Vincent de Paul Parish to be held 10/12/19.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0196 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0197 – Resolution approving Raffle License #14-2019 – Off Premise 50/50 Raffle License for St. Vincent de Paul Parish to be held 10/12/19.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0197 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0198 – Resolution of authorization to join the Gloucester County Cooperative Pricing System.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0198 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0199 – Resolution to cancel 2019 Taxes and refund payment made (Block 997, Lot 21) due to Totally Disabled Veteran Exemption.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0199 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0200 – Resolution authorizing refund of credits that exist on Block 1132.08, Lot 1 and Block 1132.09, Lot 1 due to assessment reduction.

Mr. Guishard moved, seconded by Mr. Kurtz that Resolution #2019-0200 be adopted.

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

Nay: XXX
Abstain: XXX

Motion Carried 5-0.

Personnel

Resolution #2019-0201 – Resolution appointing Deborah Ohnemuller as Zoning Officer at a salary of \$52,500.00 annually, effective date TBD, eligible for a \$2,500.00 increase after one year with successful performance evaluation.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Guishard that Resolution #2019-0201 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0202 – Resolution appointing Max Crispell to Cove Staff – Day Manager at \$14.25 per hour for the 2019 Season.

Mr. Silva moved, seconded by Mr. Guishard that Resolution #2019-0202 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0203 – Resolution appointing Nicole Scharfetter to Cove Staff – Beach Badge Checker at \$10.00 per hour for the 2019 Season.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0203 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0204 – Resolution appointing Kimberly Trofa to Cove Staff – Beach Badge Checker at \$10.00 per hour for the 2019 Season.

Mr. Silva moved, seconded by Mr. Kurtz that Resolution #2019-0204 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0205 – Resolution appointing Steven Cummins to Cove Staff – Lifeguard at \$11.50 per hour for the 2019 Season.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Guishard that Resolution #2019-0205 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0206 – Resolution appointing Matthew Hedrick to Cove Staff – Lifeguard at \$11.00 per hour for the 2019 Season.

Mr. Silva moved, seconded by Mrs. Link that Resolution #2019-0206 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0207 – Resolution appointing Raven MacIntosh to Cove Staff – Lifeguard at \$11.00 per hour for the 2019 Season.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0207 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0208 – Resolution appointing Matthew McClay to Cove Staff – Lifeguard at \$11.00 per hour for the 2019 Season.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0208 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0209 – Resolution appointing Christopher Ayers as a Part-time Communications Officer for the Police Department at \$16.24 per hour, effective date TBD.

Mr. Silva moved, seconded by Mr. Guishard that Resolution #2019-0209 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion to grant authorization to advertise for a Regular Full-time Truck Driver/Laborer.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva to grant authorization to advertise for a Regular Full-time Truck Driver/Laborer.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion to grant authorization to advertise for a Regular Full-time Clerk in the Community Development Office.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva to grant authorization to advertise for a Regular Full-time Clerk in the Community Development Office.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Approvals:

Mr. Silva moved, seconded by Mr. Kurtz that the regular meeting minutes of the April 15, 2019 meeting are approved as presented.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Resolution #2019-0210 – A Resolution authorizing payment of approved payrolls and bills – \$9,871,732.34.

Mr. Kurtz moved, seconded by Mr. Silva that Resolution #2019-0210 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Reports

Administrator – Nothing to report.

Solicitor – All County and State Tax Appeals have been settled.

Engineer – Mr. Filippone gave a brief report to supplement his written report: a new stop bar will be installed on New York Ave. Committeeman Silva asked that an electronic signed be placed to inform motorists of the change.

Township Committee:

Mrs. Link - Expressed appreciation for the Girl Scouts environmental efforts and advocated for people to walk more. Mrs. Link suggested the implementation of a walking program.

Mr. Kurtz- Congratulated Lisa Marcolongo and all Department Heads on another successful Youth in Government Day.

Mr. Silva- Stated that he attended the Green Fair and was disappointed by the low turnout. Committeeman Silva asked the Chief of Police about the high volume of false alarm calls received by the Police Department. Some discussion ensued.

Mr. Guishard- Reminded everyone about the Veterans Day Ceremony, November 11 at 11:00 AM. Mr. Guishard also commented on the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee events, Youth in Government Day and also commented on the low turnout for the Green Fair.

Mayor Schenker- was happy to report that after a year of negotiations with Verizon regarding the appearance of the building on Main Street a “park type” addition with benches will be added to make for a more pleasant appearance. Mayor Schenker thanked Township Engineer Steve Filippone for his work and assistance which was provided free of charge. Work began that very day and should be complete by the end of the week.

Mayor Schenker then opened the floor for public comment.

Public Comment

Robert Campbell Sr. asked everyone to attend the upcoming Memorial Day Event, he also thanked all of the residents that had wished him a Happy 85th Birthday. He congratulated John Groen on his 40 years of employment with the Township and also congratulated Rita Martino on her reappointment as Township Clerk and Deb Ohnemuller on her appointment as Zoning Officer.

James Kerrigan stated that the Verizon building needs to look more historic and stated that he wants Memorial Day moved to May 30th.

Anne Marie Leone stated that she was disappointed with the release of bonds for Fernmoor Homes and that they are being permitted to build again. She also stated that she will no longer be speaking with Alternate Township Engineer Kevin Dixon after receiving a concerning voice mail from him. Mayor Schenker informed Ms. Leone that no bonds were release this evening; explaining that the vote was tabled prior to her arrival.

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

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

**Resolution #2019-0211 – A Resolution To Adjourn to Executive Session:
Procedures for hiring in the Police Department – Personnel Matter**

Mr. Silva moved, seconded by Mr. Guishard, that Resolution #2019-0211 be adopted.

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

Motion Carried 5-0.

Township Committee met in Executive Session at 7:27 pm.

On motion of Mr. Silva, seconded by Mr. Guishard, Township Committee reconvened at 7:40 pm.

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 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Martino, RMC, CMR
Township Clerk