

STAFFORD TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 23, 2018

Mayor calls the Stafford Township Council Meeting to order with the Salute to the Flag and the reading of the Open Public Meeting Statement. Time: 7:00 PM

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT: “THIS MEETING COMPLIES WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT BY ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH MEETING DATES FOR 2018. NOTIFICATION AND PUBLICATION OF THESE MEETINGS WERE GIVEN TO THREE LOCAL NEWSPAPERS AND POSTING OF SAME ON THE MUNICIPAL BULLETIN BOARD”.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Fessler-present, Mr. Jeffries-absent, Mr. Marchal-present, Ms. McKenna-present, Mr. Taylor-absent, Mr. Smith-present, Mayor Spodofora-present.

ORDINANCES-SECOND READING

ORDINANCE 2018-01

AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING THE MUNICIPALITY IN PREPARING ITS 2018 BUDGET TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14 A

Mayor Spodofora opened public hearing

There being no public comment Mayor Spodofora to closed public hearing

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-01 on 2nd reading was made by Ms. McKenna and seconded by Mr. Marchal
RCV: All in favor-Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mayor Spodofora
Mr. Jeffries-absent and Mr. Taylor-absent.

ORDINANCE 2018-02

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD FIXING AND DETERMINING SALARIES AND WAGES OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR 2018

Mayor Spodofora opened public hearing

Jeanine Sciglitano-Weaver Drive questioned the increases of the Salary Ordinance.

There being no further public comment Mayor Spodofora closed the public hearing

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2018-02 on 2nd reading was made by Mr. Fessler and seconded by Mr. Marchal
RCV: All in favor-Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mayor Spodofora.
Mr. Jeffries-absent and Mr. Taylor-absent.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 2018-59

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF ITS NOTE RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION FINANCING PROGRAM OF THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST TO BE ISSUED IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$1,800,000

Motion to adopt Resolution 2018-59 was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Marchal
RCV: All in favor-Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mayor Spodofora
Mr. Jeffries-absent and Mr. Taylor-absent.

COUNCILMAN JEFFRIES ARRIVED BEFORE THE READING OF RESOLUTION 2018-60

RESOLUTION 2018-60

DECLARING ITS OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES FOR PROJECT COSTS FROM THE PROCEEDS OF DEBT OBLIGATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST FINANCING PROGRAM

Motion to adopt Resolution 2018-60 was made by Ms. McKenna and seconded by Mr. Smith

RCV: All in favor-Mr. Fessler, Mr. Jeffries, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mayor Spodofora
Mr. Taylor-absent.

CONSENT AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND WILL BE ENACTED WITH A SINGLE MOTION. ANY ITEMS REQUIRING EXPENDITURE ARE SUPPORTED BY A CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS BY THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER. ANY ITEM REQUIRING DISCUSSION WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA. ALL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE REFLECTED IN FULL IN THE MINUTES.

RESOLUTION 2018-61

ACCEPTING THE RETIREMENT NOTICE OF SANDY CRAPANZANO EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2018

RESOLUTION 2018-62

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE STAFFORD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019

RESOLUTION 2018-63

AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL ACTIONS-VIOLATIONS DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION 2018-64

AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL ACTIONS-PUBLIC WORKS

RESOLUTION 2018-65

AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL ACTIONS-PUBLIC WORKS

RESOLUTION 2018-66

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PERSONNEL ACTIONS-WATER/SEWER

RESOLUTION 2018-67

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE 2018 OCEAN COUNTY TOURISM PROMOTIONAL MATCHING GRANT

RESOLUTION 2018-68

AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #4 FOR THE MILL CREEK AND PAUL BOULEVARD WATER MAIN, PHASE 1 PROJECT

RESOLUTION 2018-69

AWARDING THE STAFFORD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT A \$27, 600.00 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT

RESOLUTION 2018-70

CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S ENFORCEMENT GUIDANCE ON THE CONSIDERATION OF ARREST AND CONVICTION RECORDS IN EMPLOYMENT DECISIONS UNDER TITLE VII OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964

W/S RESOLUTION 2018-07

AUTHORIZING THE WATER AND SEWER UTILITY COLLECTOR TO CANCEL WATER AND OR SEWER CHARGES-INCORRECT USAGE

W/S RESOLUTION 2018-08

AUTHORIZING CLOSE OUT CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 ACCEPTANCE OF THE MAINTENANCE BOND AND RATIFYING PAYMENT NO.4 (FINAL PAYMENT)TO US TANK PAINTING, INC. FOR THE MILL CREEK TANK REPAINTING PROJECT

APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL

597-TAXI-investigated and approved by the Stafford Township Police Department

Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda of January 23, 2018 was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Marchal
RCV: All in favor-Mr. Fessler, Mr. Jeffries, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna-with the exception of Resolution 2018-64 & 65 abstained, Mr. Smith, Mayor Spodofora.
Mr. Taylor-absent.

VOUCHER RESOLUTION

Authorizing the payment of bills in the amount of \$18,138,273.61
Motion to pay the bills was made by Mr. Marchal and seconded by Mr. Smith
RCV: All in favor-Mr. Fessler, Mr. Jeffries, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mayor Spodofora.
Mr. Taylor-absent.

GOVERNING BODY REPORTS:

MAYOR SPODOFORA:

Mayor Spodofora announced the receipt of the Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$27,600.00 for the Stafford Township Police Department. A letter of thanks was read from a resident to the Police Department. Governing body is reviewing a Plastic Bag Ordinance. Stafford's Bond rating has gone from A1 to a AA3 up and he thanked Mr. Moran and Council for all their hard work. Special thanks to the Public Works department for the great job on clearing the streets of snow during the latest storm.

COUNCILWOMAN MCKENNA:

Public Works is working on the collection of Christmas Trees at the curb. You can also take your trees to A Paul King Park for pickup there. Plastic bag Ordinance is important and Council will do their do diligence to put in place.

COUNCILMAN MARCHAL:

Reported on all activities through the Recreation department going on at the Bay Avenue Community Center and Jennings Road. Tickets to the Bus Trip to the Philadelphia Flower show still available. Theme is "The wonder of water" Cost is \$56.00. Will be painting the Historical Baptist Church in the spring.

COUNCILMAN SMITH:

Councilman Smith attended the annual EMS Squad Dinner. Praised the hard work our volunteers have done. We are thankful we have a great organization.

COUNCILMAN FESSLER:

Thanked Mayor and Mr. Moran who spent hours reviewing the municipal budget. He thanked Bob Kusznirow for all of his help in delivering and pickup of donated food. A letter was read from the principal of Southern Regional Eric Wilhelm praising the relationship between school and governing body stresses the importance of community and assisting people in need. Leaf truck is a great asset to the community. Has saved thousands of dollars for the residents and our employees in collection of leaves.

COUNCILMAN JEFFRIES:

Reassured our residents that the water and sewer department is doing a very good job of servicing our community.

ADMINISTRATOR:

Administrator Moran announced all permits have been received for the East Road project. East Road will be under way in the fall.

PUBLIC COMMENT: 5 MINUTE LIMIT PER INDIVIDUAL

Mayor Spodofora opened public comment

Jeanine Sciglitano-41 Weaver Drive questioned if the budget had been adopted. Mr. Moran explained the procedure for introduction and adoption. Questioned the purpose of a Change Order on the agenda. She also asked about the need to repaint lines on the roadways throughout Stafford Township.

Gary Molnar-1055 Rudder Avenue questioned the possibility of a Dog Park in Stafford Township.

Barbara Reynolds-Pennsylvania Avenue thanked Governing Body for taking the steps forward to introduce a Plastic Bag Ordinance. Spoke on the Documentary Plastic Ocean.

There being no further public comment Mayor Spodofora closed public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to recess to an Executive Session was made by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Marchal.

No action will be taken. Therefore, a motion was then made by Mayor Spodofora and seconded by Ms. McKenna to adjourn. All in favor: Aye

Time: 7:40

Respectfully submitted
Linda Martin