

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING STAFFORD TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
JANUARY 24, 2017**

The Mayor called the regular meeting of the Stafford Township Council to order at 7:00 PM
The open public meetings statement was read into the record.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mr. Taylor, Mayor Spodofora
Absent: Mr. Jeffries
Also Present: James Moran, Administrator and Christopher J. Connors, Township Attorney

ORDINANCES-FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-05 AMENDING CHAPTER 130 (Land Use) OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE TO REQUIRE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS IN CERTAIN DEVELOPMENTS

Ordinance 2017-05 was moved by Mr. Taylor and Seconded by Mr. Marchal and approved on first reading to Establish Affordable Housing Units in Certain Developments.

Roll Call: All In Favor: Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mr. Taylor, Mayor Spodofora
Absent: Mr. Jeffries

ORDINANCES-SECOND READING & FINAL DISPOSITION

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-01 ALLOWING THE MUNICIPALITY IN PREPARING ITS 2017 BUDGET TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

Mayor Spodofora opened public comment.

George Feldner-33 Cindy Drive: Questioned what that surplus represents and how much. Mr. Moran and Mayor Spodofora explained the process.

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-01 on 2nd reading was moved by Mr. Smith and seconded by Ms. McKenna

Roll Call: All In Favor: Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mr. Taylor, Mayor Spodofora
Absent: Mr. Jeffries

ORDINANCE 2017-02 ESTABLISHING FIRE SAFETY PERMIT FES FOR TOWNSHIP EVENTS

Mayor Spodofora opened public comment.

There being no public comment Mayor Spodofora closed public comment.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-02 on 2nd reading was moved by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Ms. McKenna

Roll Call: All in Favor: Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mr. Taylor, Mayor Spodofora
Absent: Mr. Jeffries

ORDINANCE 2017-03 AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 111-5 OF THE STAFFORD TOWNSHIP CODE, ENTITLED "ADDITION INSPECTIONS AND FEES" AS TO UPDATE THE PERMIT FEES

Mayor Spodofora opened public comment.

There being no public comment Mayor Spodofora closed public comment.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-03 on 2nd reading was moved by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Taylor

Roll Call: All in Favor: Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mr. Taylor, Mayor Spodofora

Absent: Mr. Jeffries

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-04 AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE 55-4 FALSE ALARM PENALTY FEES

Mayor Spodofora opened public comment.

There being no public comment Mayor Spodofora closed public comment.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-04 on 2nd reading was moved by Mr. Fessler and seconded by Ms. McKenna

Roll Call: All In Favor: Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mr. Taylor, Mayor Spodofora

Absent: Mr. Jeffries

CONSENT AGENDA

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

RESOLUTIONS

2017-77 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO ATLANTIS AVENUE PHASE I PROJECT.

2017-78 AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS

2017-79 APPOINTING JOSEPH GIBERSON AS DEPUTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

2017-80 AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO ISSUE A DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATE

2017-81 RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ON-LINE AUCTION WEBSITE, WWW.GOVDEALS.COM

2017-82 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE 2017 OCEAN COUNTY TOURISM PROMOTIONAL MATCHING GRANT

2017-83 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE STAFFORD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018

2017-84 SUPPORTING THE ELIMINATION OF A PUMP STATION BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL

EJ LIMOUSINE SERVICE

WATER/SEWER UTILITY DEPARTMENT ACTIONS

W/S 2017-07 AUTHORIZING THE WATER AND SEWER UTILITY COLLECTOR TO CANCEL WATER AND/OR SEWER CHARGES

W/S 2017-08 AWARDING A BID TO US TANK PAINTING INC. FOR THE PAINTING OF THE MILLCREEK WATER TOWER AND THE REPAIR OF THE FAWN LAKES WATER TOWER

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Marchal.

Roll Call: All in favor: Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mr. Taylor, Mayor Spodofora

Absent: Mr. Jeffries

VOUCHER RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,639,851.63

Motion to pay the bills was made by Mr. Marchal and seconded by Mr. Fessler

Roll Call: Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mr. Taylor, Mayor Spodofora

Absent: Mr. Jeffries

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Reorganization Meeting 01/10/2017

Regular Meeting Minutes 01/10/2017

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Marchal and 2nd by Ms. McKenna

Roll Call: All in favor, Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mayor Spodofora

Mr. Taylor-Abstained and -Mr. Jeffries Absent

MAYOR REPORT:

Mayor Spodofora reminded residents as cold weather is upon us please be aware of your pets remember to make sure pets have shelter food and water available to them. If we have any accumulation of snow please remember to clear fire hydrants in front of your property or mark so that the Fire Department will be able to locate. Please make sure you have a carbon monoxide detector in your home. Councilman Smith and I will be meeting with Congressman MacArthur to discuss Back Bay studies along with the Army Corp of Engineers. Mayor Spodofora along with Chief Dellane will be attending a meeting with the Ocean County Sheriff's department with matters of Homeland Security. Mayor also gave a report on police events within the department.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

COUNCILMAN DAVE TAYLOR: Administrator Jim Moran and Councilman David Taylor will be meeting with the Public Works Department and the Water/Sewer Department Heads for budgeting purposes. Awarded bids for Water Tower painting and repairs that will begin sometime in late February early March. Meeting with contractors who provided the supplied the materials for the outdoor rinks. There have been some issues with the servicing will meet with them to try and solve the issues. We have received the award from the state for redoing the water pipes from Paul, Mill Creek Blvd up to Jonathan in spring. Next phase will follow.

COUNCILMAN SHARON MCKENNA: Councilwoman McKenna wished everyone a Happy New Year. Councilwoman McKenna reported on tallies for the Building Department inspecting it is predominately Stafford Township however we also service Eagleswood, Beach Haven, Surf City and Harvey Cedars. Environmental Commission is planning their annual Arbor Day extravaganza. She also reviewed the single street items for recycling. Manahawkin Elks provided a great volunteer opportunity to fill backpacks with warm weather gear and supplies for homeless veterans. Councilman Fessler and I will be attending Cub Scout Pack #61 52nd annual Blue and Gold Ceremony on Sunday February 12th.

COUNCILMAN ALAN SMITH: On the Emergency Management side former Chief of Police Joseph Giberson will be coming back as a volunteer Deputy Emergency Coordinator. Senior Advisory Committee is moving forward with the information project for Seniors. Contacts for veterans, state offices and county offices. We have a vibrant volunteer group in Stafford Township. EMS squad 38 whose 60 members put in many hours. Last year 14164 on call hours doesn't cover volunteer hours or training hours. Great Thank you to Chief Jorge Salazar and Deputy Chris Strunck.

COUNCILMAN PAUL MARCHAL: Upcoming events in the Recreation Dept. March 15th 2017. Philadelphia Flower Show. Fee is \$56.00 theme is Holland Flowering the World. Bus will leave at 11:00 am and return at 8pm. Bay Avenue Community Center is offering cooking classes. Contact Jason Hazelton for more information. 609-597-1000 ext. 8578. Screening Movies during the month of February. With discussion to follow. Historical Society looking to define what constitutes a Landmark to incorporate that into our Master Plan. Church on Route 9 needs some sprucing up looking to find grants to make repairs.

COUNCILMAN FESSLER: Community Outreach helps residents of our town. Items were donated by Costco and St. Mary's. Many turkeys were collected, all kinds of food items then packaged by Southern Regional students for families who need the help. If anyone would like to help or any organizations would like

to contribute contact any Council Member for more information. Community Outreach helps many in Stafford Township.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: East Road project is moving forward. He received notice today that a declaration of taking adjacent to project. It is last administrative step in moving construction forward to begin project slated to begin late fall of 2017. East road is located behind the Exxon Station. We will be receiving a Grant in the amount of 140,000 from FEMA for the renovations to the Pine Street Building.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Robert McManus-59 Phyllis Lane inquired about architectural plans for the Mill Creek Road Community Center. He suggested we return to the original plans for the rebuild. The subject has been going on and on and would like Council to plan for the future in reference to the Mill Creek Community Center.

George Feldner-33 Cindy Drive brought to the attention of the Mayor and Council an issue with flooding on Cindy Drive. Administrator Moran will have someone inspect the area tomorrow. He also suggested we rethink adding a kitchen to Mill Creek Building.

Richard Gilchrist-Virginia Drive Expressed a concern over water accumulating at the triangle in the area of Jennifer Dr, Walter Blvd and Morris Blvd. Inquired if grills would be placed at Mill Creek Center.

Bill Quinlin-40 Robert Drive, had suggestions to allow for water to drain from the triangles also suggested natural garden that takes no maintenance. Would like to have better equipment for snow plowing.

Dawn Pappatheodora-Florence Lane, requested to have a recycling container at the Bay Avenue Community Center. She also presented to Mayor and Council a petition from 430 plus residents asking them to consider putting a stove and oven in the Mill Creek Community Center. She also voiced her opinion on the use of the Grant Received from FEMA for the Pine Street Building

Rich Carlson-216 Timberlake Drive stated the Colony Lakes Homeowners Association did use the Mill Creek Center on many occasions but never did use the kitchen. He commended Mayor and Council on their decision. He further stated that he is in the business of selling kitchen equipment and knows the cost is very high.

Jeanine Sciglitano-71 Weaver Drive where the Roller Hockey rinks were located. She also inquired about the bidding for Mill Creek Community Center and the grant received to be used for the Pine Street Building.

Patrick Sharkey-56 Shore Avenue commented that residents of Ocean Acres drove in the past to the Mill Creek Community Center for their meetings. He thinks it is a wise decision not to rebuild the Mill Creek Community Center.

There being no further comment Mayor Spodofora closed Public Comment.

Mayor Spodofora made a statement in reference to the damage caused by Superstorm Sandy. Mayor and Council had decided to move forward with their decision to move the Community Center to the Bay Avenue location and to delay construction of the Mill Creek Community Center for further discussion.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the Council Meeting of January 24th was moved by Mr. Smith and Seconded by Mr. Marchal

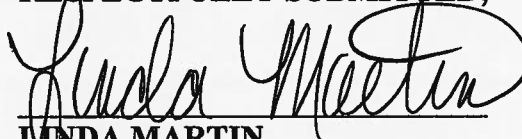
RCV: All in favor: Mr. Fessler, Mr. Marchal, Ms. McKenna, Mr. Smith, Mr. Taylor, Mayor Spodofora

Absent: Mr. Jeffries

TIME:

8:35 pm

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Martin". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

LINDA MARTIN

ACTING MUNICIPAL CLERK