

September 8, 2015 – AGENDA SESSION

President Keyes-Maloney called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. and read the Open Public Meeting Statement:

The notice requirements provided for in the “Open Public Meetings Act” have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given in a notice which was transmitted to the Times of Trenton and the Trentonian, filed with the Clerk of the Township of Ewing and posted in the Ewing Township Municipal Complex, all on the 14th day of August, 2015.

THE PUBLIC WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL DURING THE “STATEMENTS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC” SEGMENT OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE REQUESTED TO SIGN IN ON SHEET PROVIDED IN THE FRONT OF THE ROOM. ALL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC WILL BE DIRECTED TO THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT, WHEN ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL, PLEASE GIVE YOUR NAME AND YOUR ADDRESS.

THE COUNCIL INVITES AND ENCOURAGES PARTICIPATION BY THE PUBLIC IN ITS MEETINGS, HOWEVER A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC MAY UTILIZE FIVE MINUTES OF TIME FOR REMARKS AND QUESTIONS, UNLESS OTHERWISE ENGAGED IN A DIALOGUE WITH A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL. ANY FURTHER REMARKS OR QUESTIONS BEYOND THE TIME LIMIT MUST BE AUTHORIZED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL.

ROLL CALL

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| ▪ Mr. Baxter – Present | Jim McManimon, Administrator |
| ▪ Mr. Schroth – Present | Joanna Mustafa, CFO |
| ▪ Ms. Steward – 6:35 p.m. | Maeve Cannon, Attorney |
| ▪ Ms. Wollert – Present | Kim Macellaro, Municipal Clerk |
| ▪ President Keyes-Maloney – Present | |

The Clerk stated for the record that Councilwoman Steward is on her way.

PRESENTATION

1. Oath of Office - Jeffrey W. Lenarski - Fire Captain of Ewing Township Career Fire Services – Mayor Bert Steinmann

Mayor Steinmann congratulated Mr. Lenarski on his new endeavor as Captain of the Career Fire Services. The Mayor said that it is always a great pleasure for him to do this and it shows, with the quality of people like Mr. Lenarski and others, how much this Town is growing and moving forward in the right direction. The Mayor then swore in Captain Lenarski. Captain Lenarski’s wife and son stood with him when he took the Oath of Office.

Captain Lenarski introduced his family and then thanked the Administration.

Captain Lenarski stated that it took seven years to come to this point; it is a proud day. Captain Lenarski said that he is very proud of his fellow firefighters.

President Keyes-Maloney thanked Captain Lenarski for agreeing to serve in this important role. Ms. Keyes-Maloney said that we are blessed to have a robust volunteer corps as well as a very integral paid corps that ensures that we have comprehensive fire protection throughout the community.

Councilwoman Wollert said that she has known Captain Lenarski for many years and he has always been a dedicated firefighter. Ms. Wollert then said that it is a pleasure to see him reach this point in his career. Councilwoman Wollert added that we need the volunteers to continue with their dedicated service; to come out and support our paid group. We hope that this will continue for many years to come. It is a long proud service to the Community for everyone to follow in the footsteps of those who had gone before.

Councilman Baxter congratulated Captain Lenarski and said that he appreciated that Mr. Lenarski welcomed him with open arms and always answered his questions when he first started in public service.

Vice President Schroth congratulated Captain Lenarski and thanked him for his service.

Councilwoman Steward apologized for being a few minutes late and said that it in no way reflects on the respect that she has for the firefighters or the work that they do. Councilwoman Steward thanked everyone for their service.

DISCUSSION

1. AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 1573 PARKSIDE AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

President Keyes-Maloney said that we had the opportunity to see the preliminary pieces of this in terms of declaring the zone in need of redevelopment several weeks ago. It now comes before Council to adopt the particular redevelopment plan. This will allow the Community to dictate what happens within this zone. Included within Council's packet is a specific outline of the discussions at the Planning Board as to how this complies with the Master Plan. What is interesting about this particular project is that it will restrict housing to simply that which can be provided to college students. President Keyes-Maloney remarked that the College of New Jersey spoke at the last Planning Board meeting and said that, even with Campus Town coming on line, they are exceeding ninety-six percent of their capacity and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future. The Council President stated that this housing is consistent with what we have seen other towns and universities embrace; it is not the colleges necessarily supporting housing but rather private enterprise. There will not be an impact on the school district in light of the type of housing that is being considered.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

2. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, TO AMEND CHAPTER 225-59 SCHEDULE XII: STOP INTERSECTIONS TO ADD STOP SIGNS AT THE LINWOOD AVENUE/LAKE BOULEVARD/CHAUNCEY AVENUE INTERSECTIONS.

President Keyes-Maloney explained that included in Council's packet is a recommendation from the Township Engineer that details the need for and location of these stop signs.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

3. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SPECIAL EMERGENCY NOTES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000 TO FUND THE PAYMENT OF THE PREPARATION AND EXECUTION OF A COMPLETE REVALUATION PROGRAM IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING, IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY

President Keyes-Maloney said that the Ordinance was read for first reading at our August meeting; this is the corresponding resolution authorizing the issuance of special emergency notes to facilitate the preparation and execution of a reevaluation that will begin in 2016. The Township is required to go through this process. It had been delayed a year in light of issues surrounding the tax maps. The State has approved our tax maps and we can move forward.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

4. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL FOR RENEWAL OF 2015-2016 EWING MUNICIPAL LIQUOR LICENSES

The Council President explained that this relates to the Theresa Bottoni transfer related to Café Mulino. Council authorized the transfer on June 23, 2015. We were waiting on the tax certificate for this particular property. This is the renewal for the current year.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

5. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ONE YEAR EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACT FOR THE PRIVATE COLLECTION OF MUNICIPAL COURT DEBT

President Keyes-Maloney stated that we entered into this a year ago. It allows us to collect that debt which everyone believed would be uncollectable given the fact that the Court has the ability to issue warrants and to suspend driver's licenses for the failure to pay fines. As of June 2015, we have collected \$4,812 and that has since increased. The Administration suggested that we continue this relationship. This entity is authorized by the Administrative Office of the Courts to provide this service.

Councilman Baxter asked, out of the \$4,812, how much does the Township keep.

President Keyes-Maloney responded that it will vary depending on the type of violation.

Councilman Baxter commented that we do not have a breakdown.

President Keyes-Maloney replied - not as of yet.

The Administrator replied that it has not been broken down at this point; it is not a lot of money based on what was outstanding. We are also in the process of identifying people who are no longer alive - cleaning up the system. Ewing was the first town in the State to go with this; there are now many others. The Administrator said that whatever we gain from this is a plus. The company puts a fee on top of what is collected. Some of this money may go to the State or the County depending on which agency issued the ticket.

Councilman Baxter, the Administrator and the Council President then briefly discussed how the company, who is handling this, gets paid. It is not costing the Township.

President Keyes-Maloney added that the Administrative Office of the Courts would not even contemplate this during the time that she worked there. The fact that we are making this work now can be looked at as a good thing.

There were no additional questions or comments from Council.

Ron Prykanowski (16 Thurston Avenue) asked what is the total outstanding debt.

The Administrator replied that it is just around one million dollars over the past twenty plus years of our municipal court. The State never allowed a collection effort to go outside of our billing. It is a new program.

President Keyes-Maloney added that statewide a couple billion was owed. The State was not permitted to run it up against the death index to find out who was no longer here.

Mr. Prykanowski commented that we collected \$4,800; if there was another zero on that, it would be better.

President Keyes-Maloney said that the Court has done everything that it can to attempt collection. The fact that this amount has been collected, is amazing.

The Administrator said that the collection will get better as more towns get the program up and running. The amount is now up to \$6,200.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public.

6. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 ET SEQ. FOR A CONTRACT TO OPERATE THE EWING ANIMAL SHELTER

The Attorney explained that under a short term pilot program the shelter is currently being operated by EASEL. To be able to do this for a longer term, with a larger scale contract, a procurement process is required – either bidding or an evaluative competitive contracting. In order to be able to use the evaluative process, Council must authorize the use of competitive contracting the first time that it is used for a particular item.

President Keyes-Maloney said that this allows us to put some qualitative indicators into the mix so we can ensure that whoever provides this service has the skills and personnel necessary to run the shelter.

The Attorney then detailed the evaluative process.

Vice President Schroth said that it is not necessarily the lowest bidder, but whoever is best qualified to perform the service.

The Attorney replied that that is correct. You create a criteria in advance; you do not disclose the weight of each criteria because you do not want the bidders to gear their proposal to the criteria that is weighted the most. Price is always one factor. President Keyes-Maloney added that this just begins the process. The Attorney added that after this Resolution is approved by Council, it will be forwarded to DCA for their authorization.

There were no additional questions or comments from Council. There were no questions or comments from the Public.

7. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE KIDSBRIDGE, INC. LEASE AT THE EWING SENIOR AND COMMUNITY CENTER

President Keyes-Maloney explained that this is a one year renewal of the lease. Kidsbridge Inc. provides social and emotion learning, school climate and anti-bullying programs to students in K thru 12. We benefit under this agreement by allowing two hundred Ewing students to attend Kidsbridge and receive this type of training. It is a New Jersey requirement that students be given anti-bullying training. This helps the school district satisfy this requirement.

The Administrator added that Kidsbridge provides these services to Ewing students for free as part of a deal negotiated by the Mayor. Other school districts pay a fee.

President Keyes-Maloney said that the Governor's Task Force on School Security, as recently as last month, called for this type of training. This is an important service that we are providing to Ewing students.

Councilman Baxter asked if we knew how many Ewing students received this service in the past year.

President Keyes-Maloney replied that it is her understanding that it capped out at two hundred. School districts are required to provide this service; getting something for free is an extraordinary benefit.

Councilman Baxter then asked what happens if they cap out.

President Keyes-Maloney said that the school board would have to contract with Kidsbridge to determine the cost.

The Administrator then described what he and the Mayor witnessed as they sat in on one of these training sessions.

There were no additional questions or comments from Council. There were no questions or comments from the Public.

8. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE EWING-LAWRENCE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY, THOMAS AND BARBARA NEWELL AND THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL FOR THE PROVISION OF SEWER SERVICES FOR 13 BRANDON ROAD WEST

President Keyes-Maloney explained that this and Item 9 are similar. We have done this in the past. Through are relationship with ELSA, we allow these property owners to hook up to our existing sewer lines; there is a benefit to the Township.

The Administration added that the rate is one and one half times that of a Ewing resident.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public on this or Item 9.

9. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE EWING-LAWRENCE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY, RENAUD COUILLENS AND NICOLE COUILLENS AND THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL FOR THE PROVISION OF SEWER SERVICES FOR 18 BRANDON ROAD

This was discussed with Item 8.

10. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO GTBM, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF AN ELECTRONIC TICKETING (ETICKET) SYSTEM FOR THE EWING TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

President Keyes-Maloney said that we had discussions about this many months ago as part of the budget process. This will connect the Police onboard computers with the system that processes violations. The Police will be safer as driver information will be processed a lot quicker. It will also allow for the electronic transmission of information; the Court will not have to read handwritten tickets. Only one bid was received as there are only one or two companies that do this statewide. Locally, only Hopewell uses it.

The Administrator added that the State Police use it.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

11. A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION #15R-4 AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TO MAEVE CANNON, ESQUIRE TO REFLECT NEW LAW FIRM OF STEVENS & LEE

President Keyes-Maloney congratulated the Township Attorney on her move to a new firm and said that she is glad that Ms. Cannon is remaining with the Township. The contract is for a three month period until the end of the calendar year.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

12. A RESOLUTION APPOINTING SUSAN E. BATE TO A TWO YEAR TERM AS DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK

President Keyes-Maloney said that she cannot believe that it has already been two years and stated that she is happy to see this moved forward as Ms. Bate does a great service for us and the Ewing community.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

13. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DONATION, RECYCLING OR DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY OF NOMINAL VALUE

President Keyes-Maloney said that a list of these items is included in Council's packet. All items will be recycled.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

14. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO MTB, LLC FOR THE EWING SENIOR & COMMUNITY CENTER PHASE 3 ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$267,239.00

President Keyes-Maloney stated that nine bids were received for the third phase of the roof replacement. MTB LLC won the bid.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

15. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PERSON-TO-PERSON TRANSFER OF BARAN, INC. t/a SHERWOOD LIQUORS (1102-32-014-006); A PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LIQUOR LICENSE, TO LIQUOR WAREHOUSE EWING, INC. t/a LIQUOR WAREHOUSE

Bruce Sattin (Szaferman & Lakind) introduced himself and stated that he represents Liquor Warehouse Ewing, Inc. This is the second attempt to transfer this license. The Township's Investigator has approved it; satisfied that it is an appropriate transfer. We just obtained the Tax Clearance Certificate. The intention is to close by the end of the month with his client taking ownership as of September 30th or October 1st.

Councilwoman Steward asked if the new owners intend to stay in the same place. Mr. Sattin replied that that is correct. A different entity is purchasing the building. There is a lease between that entity and Liquor Warehouse Ewing, Inc.

There were no additional questions or comments from Council. There were no questions or comments from the Public.

All items were approved for action.

BILLS LIST

1. **A Resolution Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Pay Bills in the Amount of \$5,746,529.25 and to Pay Supplemental Bills per Resolution #15R-27 in the Amount of \$309,140.00 and Supplemental Bills per Resolution #15R-27 in the Amount of \$11,210.00**

President Keyes-Maloney asked the CFO to provide information about the payment made to IACLEA.

The CFO replied that this is the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators. It is for Chief Stemler's dues.

There were no additional questions or comments from Council. There were no questions or comments from the Public.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council President Keyes-Maloney presented the Consent Agenda for review.

1. **Approval of Agenda Session Minutes for June 10, 2014 and Regular Session Minutes for June 10, 2014**
2. **A Resolution Authorizing a Maintenance Guarantee Release for Two Peters Diner, Block 118.04 Lot 21, 1769 N. Olden Avenue for Project Number RV&A#1102/022; Subject to their Compliance with Specifications Outlined by Ewing Township Engineers Remington, Vernick & Arango**
3. **A Resolution Authorizing the Conduct of an On Premise 50/50 Cash Raffle Sponsored by BPOE #105 Trenton**
4. **A Resolution Authorizing the Conduct of an On Premise 50/50 Cash Raffle Sponsored by Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Central and South Jersey Affiliate**
5. **A Resolution Authorizing the Conduct of an On Premise 50/50 Cash Raffle Sponsored by VFW Post 7298 Ladies Auxiliary**
6. **A Resolution authorizing the conduct of an on premise 50/50 cash raffle sponsored by Trenton Cats Rescue.**
7. **A Resolution Authorizing Ewing Township Green Team to Hold a Bike Ride on October 24, 2015**
8. **A Resolution Authorizing West Trenton Presbyterian Church to Hold a Block Party/Road Closing on October 3rd, 2015**
9. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector for Overpayment in the Amount of \$2,107.36 for Aug. 1, 2015 Tax Qtr., to Princeton Assurance Corporation, 2482 Pennington Rd., Suite 2, Pennington, NJ 08534 for Property Owner Dillon, Rensl & Vishnupad, Priya for Block: 582 Lot: 4 also known as 3 Beth Ann Way**
10. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector for Overpayment in the Amount of \$1,329.30 for Aug. 1, 2015 Tax Qtr., to Title Evolution, LLC, 230 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505 Re: 11295, for Property Owner Metz, Jacqueline R. for Block: 290 Lot: 30 also known as 569 Cleardale Ave.**

11. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector for Overpayment in the Amount of \$1,600.00 for Aug. 1, 2015 Tax Qtr., to Emerald Title Agency, 365 White Horse Ave., Trenton, NJ 08610 Re: ET-4192 for Property Owner Dzwonkowski, Daniel for Block: 105.07 Lot: 41 also known as 32 Hardwick Dr.**
12. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector for Overpayment in the Amount of \$1,022.03 for Aug. 1, 2015 Tax Qtr., to Majestic Title Agency, LLC, 472 Route 22 West, Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889 File Number, 4041087 for Property Owner Bentley, Marni for Block: 237 Lot: 8 also known as 30 Main Blvd.**
13. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector for Overpayment in the Amount of \$1,033.90 for Aug. 1, 2015 Tax Qtr., to Princeton Assurance Corporation, 2482 Pennington Road, Suite 2, Pennington, NJ 08534 NJ15-104440R for Property Owner Henry, Edelinton R. & Erica A. for Block: 56 Lot: 2 also known as 202 Parkway Ave.**
14. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector for Overpayment in the Amount of \$1,503.38 for Aug. 1, 2015 Tax Qtr., to Nassau Abstract LLC, 110 Main Street, PO Box 454, Flemington NJ 08822 File No. NA913 for Property Owner Helstowski, David & Ashley for Block: 139 Lot: 66 also known as 1570 Pennington Rd.**
15. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector for Overpayment in the Amount of \$1,889.57 for Aug. 1, 2015 Tax Qtr., to Roberts, Gregory & Lisa, 110 Aspen Dr., West Windsor NJ 08550 for Property Owner Roberts, Gregory & Lisa for Block: 139 Lot: 63 also known as 1572-74-1/2 Pennington Rd.**
16. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector for Overpayment in the Amount of \$1,316.11 for Aug. 1, 2015 Tax Qtr., to Quality Title & Abstract Agency, 3415 Sunset Ave., Ocean, NJ 07712 for Property Owner Stein, Elizabeth for Block: 234.04 Lot: 12 also known as 7 Pickford Ave.**
17. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund and Cancellation, as Recommended by the Tax Collector, a Refund in the Amount of \$1,707.32 and a Cancellation in the Amount of \$6,757.32 for 100% Disabled Veteran Approved from 4-30-15 through 12-31-15 Tax Bill to Bibb, Roszell L., 12 Riverview Dr., Ewing, NJ 08628 for Property Owner Bibb, Roszell L, for Block: 420.01 Lot: 61 also known as 12 Riverview Dr.**
18. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund and Cancellation, as Recommended by the Tax Collector, a Refund in the Amount of \$1,834.23 and a Cancellation in the Amount of \$3,674.93 due to: 100% Disabled Veteran Approved from 6-16-15 through 12-31-15, for Tax Bill to Green, Clarence, 155 Somerset St., Ewing, NJ 08638 for Property Owner Green, Clarence for Block: 139.01 Lot: 19, also known as 155 Somerset St.**
19. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector for Overpayment in the Amount of \$1,304.25 for Aug. 1, 2015 Tax Qtr., to Foundation Title, 3840 Quakerbridge Road, Suite 120, Hamilton, NJ 08619 for Property Owner Van Lieu, Jason & Cleary, Rosemary for Block: 481 Lot: 98 also known as 21 Walton Ave.**
20. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Tax Collector for Overpayment in the Amount of \$1,628.66 for Aug. 1, 2015 Tax Qtr., to A Absolute Escrow Settlement Company, Inc., P.O. Box 767, Millburn, NJ 07041 File No. NRT57116 for Property Owner Wilderman, Julia & Beckett, Joseph for Block: 508 Lot: 15 also known as 1 Wiscasset Ave.**

There were no questions or comments from Council.

Peter Boughton (119 Florence Avenue) thanked the Attorney for tweaking the language of the waiver that the bicyclists will be signing. Mr. Boughton then thanked the Human Resources Director for her assistance in helping get the insurance. The bike ride sponsored by the Green Team will be on October 24th in the morning.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public.

ORDINANCE(S) FOR FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION

(None for this Meeting)

ORDINANCE(S) FOR SECOND READING, PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION

1. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNT OF MERCER, TO AMEND CHAPTER 14, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES, ARTICLE XII: LOCAL ASSISTANCE BOARD

President Keyes-Maloney explained that the first three items came to us by way of a member of the Public. These items relate to three boards that are currently not operating. The Ordinances allow us to re-energize each of these boards, if necessary.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public on these Items.

2. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, TO AMEND CHAPTER 14, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES, ARTICLE II: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

This was discussed with Item One.

3. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, TO AMEND CHAPTER 26, CODE OF ETHICS

This was discussed with Item One.

4. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER TO AUTHORIZE THE PRIVATE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE, SPECIFICALLY BICYCLES, TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF TRENTON AND MERCER COUNTY , A 501(c)(3) NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

President Keyes-Maloney explained that this allows us to dispose of a number of bicycles; selling them for nominal value to the Boys and Girls Club. The benefit will be that the Boys and Girls Club will clean up the bicycles and sell them to kids within the Ewing community.

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

5. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000 FOR THE PAYMENT OF PREPARATION AND EXECUTION OF A COMPLETE REVALUATION IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING, IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY

There were no questions or comments from Council or the Public.

COMMISSION & COMMITTEE REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

President Keyes-Maloney reported that the Planning Board met last week. The Planning Board reviewed the Master Plan of the College for the next ten years. The Master Plan included the expansion of Campus Town, the significant rehab of the engineering complex as well as the biology building and the overhaul of the food service in the Student Center. There are a number of items on their wish list that the College does not have the ability to fund. The College outlined three goals - one, to encourage green space within the College; two, to look at the way transportation will work within the campus in terms of traffic out of Campus Town; and three, to ensure that any growth is related to what students are going to want to enter into in terms of careers in the next fifty to one hundred years.

President Keyes-Maloney said that, in addition, the Planning Board reviewed an application of a small property at 9 Carrigg Avenue that sought to subdivide.

Councilwoman Steward reported that the highlight of the Green Team meeting was the abovementioned bike ride on October 24th.

Vice President Schroth said that the Drug & Alcohol Alliance did not meet in August. The next meeting is September 27th.

Councilman Baxter said that Recreation did not meet in August; the next meeting is September 21st.

President Keyes-Maloney then reported on the Environmental Commission. A bug is attacking ash trees in the region. At the August meeting, there was an overview of what we have to do to protect the eight hundred ash trees in Ewing. The Commission also took a look at the expansion plans for the Airport.

There were no other commission or committee reports.

NEW BUSINESS

(None for this Meeting)

STATEMENTS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Ron Prykanowski (16 Thurston Avenue) first said that he knows it is a moot point at this time. Mr. Prykanowski recommended that the Administration and Council hire an independent review appraiser for the purchase of 136 Scotch Road as he said that a couple of sales were missed during the appraisal. Review appraisals are standard in the industry now. Mr. Prykanowski stated that to his knowledge this was not done for this property. For \$310,000, you would think that you would want this done.

The Administrator first thanked Mr. Prykanowski for his comments and then said that there were two independent appraisals as required. Both appraisals are public documents, if Mr. Prykanowski wants to take a look. The Administrator added that at the last meeting he said that this was more of a fire sale to settle an estate. If we get another appraisal, the Township would have to pay for it.

Mr. Prykanowski responded that he reviewed both appraisals and said that he believes that one was just a cut and paste from the other. The two appraisals were too close to each other. Mr. Prykanowski then requested that the Township consider hiring a new auditor. There is nothing wrong with the current one and the job that he is doing, however, the auditor has been here for a long time. Usually, what happens is that they become comfortable. Mr. Prykanowski said that he worked for Montgomery Township and they switched auditors every few years. It was amazing to see what one auditor picked up that the other took for granted. Change is good at times.

The Council President thanked Mr. Prykanowski for his comments.

CLOSED SESSION

(None for this Meeting)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Keyes-Maloney asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Wollert so moved seconded by Mr. Baxter. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

David P. Schroth, President

Kim J. Macellaro, Municipal Clerk