

September 22, 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 – Excused | Jim McManimon, Administrator |
| ▪ Mr. Schroth – Present | Joanna Mustafa, CFO |
| ▪ Ms. Steward – Present | Maeve Cannon, Attorney |
| ▪ Ms. Wollert – Excused | Kim Macellaro, Clerk |
| ▪ President Keyes-Maloney – Present | |

The Clerk stated for the record that both Mr. Baxter and Ms. Wollert have excused absences for this evening.

DISCUSSION

1. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, AMENDING THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING, AMENDING SECTION 225-52, ENTITLED “SCHEDULE V: HANDICAPPED PARKING ON STREETS,” TO ADD A HANDICAPPED PARKING SIGN AT 44 DAWES AVENUE**

President Keyes-Maloney explained that this will facilitate the use of a wheelchair lift. Supporting documentation is included in Council’s packet.

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 240, NOISE, SECTION 8, RESTRICTED USES AND ACTIVITIES, TO ALLOW FOR WAIVER OF TOWNSHIP NOISE RESTRICTIONS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE AND ROAD-REPAIR PROJECTS THAT MUST BE CONDUCTED AT NIGHT FOR SAFETY CONCERNS**

President Keyes-Maloney said that this relates to an exception within our noise ordinance for infrastructure or road repair that is required to be conducted at night for safety reasons. The exception would require the approval of Council.

Councilwoman Steward asked if this Ordinance is approving the process where someone could get an exception or is it approving a specific exception.

President Keyes-Maloney responded that this is approving the ability to get an exception in limited situations where appropriate; Council would have to determine if it fits the criteria.

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

3. A RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION NJS 40A:4-87

President Keyes-Maloney said that this is for a number of revenue items. One is the bullet proof vest partnership in the amount of \$13,163.00. The second is for the Sprint police equipment grant in the amount of \$20,530.92. This is not the first time that we have received these grants. The Sprint grant, in particular, allows us to upgrade our telecommunications equipment.

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

4. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF NINE (9) EMERGENCY EQUIPPED FORD EXPEDITION XL SSV 4 X4'S FOR USE IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING FROM BEYER FORD LLC THROUGH STATE CONTRACTS T2776 AND T0106

President Keyes-Maloney said that these are for use by the Police Department from Beyer Ford who is on the State contract.

The CFO clarified that these vehicles are for departments other than the Police.

Vice President Schroth asked if this is part of the same program that we talked about before concerning discounts on vehicles - Cranford.

The CFO responded that this is through State contract. We used the Cranford co-op for the purchase of the Police vehicles.

Mildred Russell (119 King Avenue) asked if these vehicles will be the same color as the Police vehicles – black.

The CFO responded that the Construction/Code Enforcement vehicles will continue to be white with blue lettering; the Fire vehicles will be white with red lettering and the EMS Chief's will be a dark blue to match the ambulances.

Mrs. Russell commented that it is difficult to recognize the Police with the black vehicles and asked if new Police vehicles will continue to be black.

The CFO responded that black is the Chief's preference.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public.

5. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A KARDEX REMSTAR LEKTRIEVER EXTRA WIDE FILING SYSTEM FOR USE BY THE OFFICE OF THE TAX ASSESSOR FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING FROM GARDEN STATE OFFICE SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT THROUGH STATE CONTRACT T-0200 (expires 09/30/2015)

President Keyes-Maloney stated that this allows us to store information that comes into the Assessor's Office.

Vice President Schroth asked what is currently being used that we need to get this new system.

The CFO replied that regular filing cabinets are being used which are not very space saving. The CFO then briefly explained how the new system would work.

President Keyes-Maloney added that over the summer the Township concentrated on document disposal where it could. Because we have to retain a large number of records, we are overflowing. This makes sense because it is much more efficient.

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

6. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE PARTICIPATION IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT OFFICE (LESO) 1033 PROGRAM

The Council President explained that this is through the Federal Government. Surplus items are made available to municipal and county governments.

There were no questions or comments from Council.

Joe Murphy (9 Malaga Drive) asked what kind of equipment. The Administrator replied that it is rifles to be used by the Police Honor Guard. We are not buying tanks or armored vehicles.

There were no additional questions or comments from the Public.

7. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION SITE

President Keyes-Maloney explained that we have done this in the past. We use GovDeals. The IT Department does a good job in terms of moving through the sale process. A list of items to be auctioned is included in Council's packet.

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

8. A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION #15R-176 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

President Keyes-Maloney said that this relates to Sherwood Liquors being transferred to Liquor Warehouse Ewing, Inc. The closing date changed. In light of that, we have to modify the actual effective date to October 6th.

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

9. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PERSON-TO-PERSON TRANSFER OF FREDDIE'S TAVERN, INC. t/a FREDDIE'S TAVERN (1102-33-010-004); A PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LIQUOR LICENSE, TO FREDDIE'S TAVERN AND BANQUET, LLC t/a FREDDIE'S TAVERN

President Keyes-Maloney said that Freddie's Tavern has been sold and it will continue as a new entity.

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

10. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO CB&I ENVIRONMENTAL & INFRASTRUCTURE, INC. ("CB&I") TO SERVE AS THE TOWNSHIP LICENSED SITE REMEDIATION PROFESSIONAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS

The Council President explained that there were changes in personnel.

There were no questions or comments from Council or 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 \$5,521,844.00 and to Pay Supplemental Bills per Resolution #15R-27 in the Amount of \$11,666.70

The Council President told the CFO that she was glad to see that Court personnel participated in the MAACM Conference and also thanked the CFO for the added descriptors.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Approval of Agenda Session Minutes for June 24, 2014 and July 8, 2014 and Regular Session Minutes for June 24, 2014 and July 8, 2014.

2. **A Resolution Authorizing the Conduct of an Instant Raffle Sponsored by BPOE #105 Trenton**
3. **A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Township Construction Official, for Overpayment in the Amount of \$118.00 to Fred Wilson, 213 Hazelhurst Ave., Ewing, NJ 08638 for a Permit at 213 Hazelhurst Ave., Ewing, NJ 08638. The Applicant Accidentally Pulled a Permit and Paid for it Not Knowing the Contractor also Took Out a Permit for the Same Job at the Same Location**

There were no questions or comments from Council or 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 ADOPTING THE 1573 PARKSIDE AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN**

President Keyes-Maloney stated that there was a robust discussion concerning this at the last meeting. It allows us to control much of the redevelopment within this area. The property has been underutilized for over fifteen years. We will work with the developer to ensure that this college based housing will benefit the somewhat overburdened on-campus housing situation at the College of New Jersey, while at the same time restricting what could be an impact on the Ewing community in terms of the schools.

Vice President Schroth asked how many units are being built.
The Administrator responded – fifty.

There were no additional questions or comments from Council.

Mildred Russell (119 King Avenue) asked if someone has seen the plans as to how these units will be situated on the property.

President Keyes-Maloney responded that the Planning Board has had the opportunity to look at the proposal.

Mrs. Russell then asked how the driveways will enter the highway. A left-hand turn will be difficult.

The Council President replied that the Township Engineer went over this extensively.

Mrs. Russell then described how she believes these college students will travel back and forth from this housing to the College and then commented that Ewing Park Brae Burn will bear the burden of this traffic. Speed humps need to be put in to slow the traffic.

President Keyes-Maloney said that she hopes that Mrs. Russell will come back before Council if there any problems and added that the plan does include bike pedestrian options. There is also talk of car share as being done at Campus Town.

Mrs. Russell remarked that she sees very few bike riders.

The Administrator added that Mrs. Russell did come to see him regarding the impact of additional traffic. The Township Engineer did look at this closely. There are a lot of requests for speed bumps around Town.

There were no additional questions or comments from 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 said that stop signs will be added to these streets.

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 did not meet and will not meet until the first week of October.

Vice President Schroth said that the Drug and Alcohol Alliance Committee is meeting right now.

Councilwoman Steward reported that the Green Team is meeting tomorrow and added that registration for the Fall Spin Bike Tour is on their website.

There were no additional Commission and Committee Reports from Members of Council.

President Keyes-Maloney announced that the Seniors will be having an event at the Senior Center. It will be a Mexican dinner on October 7th at 4:00 p.m. The cost is five dollars. President Keyes-Maloney said that on September 28th she will be attending the Ewing Board of Education Meeting as a “welcome back” as they begin their fall semester. Ms. Keyes-Maloney said that her colleagues are welcome to join her at Fisher at 8:00 p.m. There will also be a meeting with the local clergy this Thursday in the Agenda Room that Council is also welcome to attend.

NEW BUSINESS

(None for this Meeting)

STATEMENTS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no statements or comments from members of the Public.

CLOSED SESSION

(None for this Meeting)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Keyes-Maloney asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Schroth so moved seconded by Ms. Steward. The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

David P. Schroth, President

Kim J. Macellaro, Municipal Clerk