

January 12, 2016 - REGULAR SESSION

President Schroth called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and the Clerk led everyone in prayer and the flag salute.

Almighty God who holds the fate of Man and Nation, we most humbly beseech thee to bless these deliberations, and these thy servants, that they may act with wisdom and understanding for the good of our community and thy greater glory. Amen.

President Schroth read the Open Public Meetings 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 4th day of January, 2016.

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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

- Mr. Baxter – present
 - Ms. Keyes-Maloney – present
 - Ms. Steward – present
 - Ms. Wollert – present
 - President Schroth - present
- Maeve Cannon, Attorney
Joanna Mustafa, CFO
Susan Bate, Deputy Clerk

STATEMENTS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

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

BILLS LIST

(NONE FOR THIS MEETING)

CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under Item H, Consent Agenda, are considered routine by the Township Council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately. There will be one motion for all items listed.

The Clerk read the Consent Agenda: (Resolution #16R-11/)

1. Approval of Agenda Session Minutes for March 24, 2015, April 14, 2015; Approval of Regular Session Minutes for March 24, 2015, April 14, 2015.
2. A Resolution Authorizing the Conduct of a Casino Night Sponsored by Healing Hand of Christ Foundation, Inc.
3. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Township Construction Official in the Amount of \$632.00 to Prospect Heights Vol. Fire Company, 1660 Ninth St., Ewing, NJ 08638 for a Permit at 1660 Ninth St., Ewing, NJ 08638. The above Applicant is a Fire Company within Ewing Township.
4. A Resolution Authorizing a Refund, as Recommended by the Township Construction Official in the Amount of \$229.00 to Solar City Corporation, 9 Corporate Drive, Cranbury, NJ 08512 for a Permit at 70 Hardwick Dr., Ewing, NJ 08638. The above Applicant Cancelled the above Job for Solar Panels.

There were no questions from Council or the public.

Ms. Keyes-Maloney then moved the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Baxter.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
President Schroth	

YES

ORDINANCE(S) FOR FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION

1. The Clerk read (Ordinance #16-01) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, REGULATING PRIVATE STORM DRAIN INLETS

President Schroth asked if there were any questions from Council or the public. There were none. Ms. Steward moved the Ordinance for first reading, seconded by Ms. Wollert.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Wollert	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
President Schroth	

YES

2. The Clerk read (Ordinance #16-02) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER, TO PROVIDE FOR TWO HOUR PARKING FOR PRIVATE STREETS WITHIN THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY CAMPUS TOWN DEVELOPMENT

President Schroth asked if there were any questions from Council or the public. There were none. Ms. Keyes-Maloney moved the Ordinance for first reading, seconded by Mr. Baxter.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
President Schroth	

YES

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

(NONE FOR THIS MEETING)

NEW BUSINESS

1. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-12)** A RESOLUTION OF TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS

President Schroth asked if there were any questions from Council or the public. There were none.

Ms. Wollert then moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney

ROLL CALL

Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Schroth	

YES

2. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-13)** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHECK AUTHORIZATION PRIOR TO BILLS LIST APPROVAL

President Schroth asked if there were any questions from Council or the public. There were none.

Mr. Baxter then moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney

ROLL CALL

Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Baxter	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
President Schroth	

YES

3. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-14)** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BLANKET PURCHASES UP TO \$17,500 THROUGH MULTIPLE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENTS, INCLUDING STATE OF NJ CONTRACTS, N.J.P.A #28172, MERCER COUNTY CO-OP, AND CRANFORD CO-OP FOR BUDGET YEAR 2016

President Schroth explained that this is a resolution authorizing smaller purchases by the township and is standard practice over the years. He asked if there were any questions from Council or the public. There were none.

Ms. Wollert then moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Steward

ROLL CALL

Ms. Steward	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
President Schroth	

YES

4. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-15)** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE EWING (EDAA) MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR JULY 1, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2017

President Schroth asked if there were any questions from Council or the public. There were none.

Ms. Keyes-Maloney then moved the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Baxter

ROLL CALL

Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
President Schroth	

YES

5. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-16)** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A ONE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE PROVISION OF AN EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,520.00

President Schroth stated that as discussed during the agenda session this is a resolution authorizing an agreement with the township to provide for assistance to township employees who may have a need for counseling of some sort. We have engaged in this contract for the last few years with some great success. President Schroth asked if there were any questions from Council or the public. There were none.

Ms. Keyes-Maloney then moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Steward

ROLL CALL

Ms. Steward	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
President Schroth	

YES

6. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-17)** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE RELEASE FOR PEAC MINOR SITE IMPROVEMENTS, BLOCK 225.02, LOT 51, 1440 LOWER FERRY ROAD EWING TOWNSHIP FOR PROJECT NUMBER RV&A #1102 / 043 SUBJECT TO THEIR COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS OUTLINED BY EWING TOWNSHIP ENGINEERS REMINGTON, VERNICK & ARANGO

President Schroth explained that this is a resolution authorizing a maintenance guarantee release. President Schroth asked if there were any questions from Council or the public. There were none.

Ms. Wollert then moved the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney

ROLL CALL

Ms. Keyes-Maloney

YES

Ms. Wollert

YES

Mr. Baxter

YES

Ms. Steward

YES

President Schroth

YES

- 7. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-18) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE RELEASE FOR HOMEFRONT BLOCK 372.01 LOT 9, 361 SCOTCH ROAD EWING TOWNSHIP ENGINEERS REMINGTON & VERNICK AND AFFILIATES #1102 / 057**

President Schroth explained that this resolution is similar to the above resolution only for a performance guarantee release. President Schroth asked if there were any questions from Council or the public. Dana Irlbacher (with Homefront) and she wanted to stop by and make sure everything was ok and answer any questions about this particular resolution. She further said that Homefront is deeply grateful to all the staff, Council and the Mayor and said that it was an excellent experience for them and made them feel more at home and they look forward to a good continuing relationship with everyone. Ms. Steward said that she is supportive of this project but will be abstaining due to personal conflict.

President Schroth asked for a motion on the resolution. Ms. Keyes-Maloney then moved the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Baxter

ROLL CALL

Mr. Baxter YES

Ms. Keyes-Maloney YES

Ms. Steward ABSTAIN

Ms. Wollert YES

President Schroth YES

- 8. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-19) A RESOLUTION APPROVING JOHN D. OGUNDELE AS A SENIOR MEMBER OF THE PROSPECT HEIGHTS VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY NO. 1**

President Schroth explained that this is a purely routine resolution but nonetheless important approving Mr. Ogundele (apologized if mispronounced his name) as a Senior Member of the Prospect Heights Volunteer Fire Company. President Schroth asked if there were any questions from Council or the public. There were none.

Ms. Steward then moved the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Baxter.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Baxter YES

Ms. Steward YES

Ms. Keyes-Maloney YES

Ms. Wollert YES

President Schroth YES

- 9. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-20) A RESOLUTION APPOINTING PHOENIX ADVISORS, LLC. AS FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING**

President Schroth commented that as discussed during the Agenda Session, Phoenix Advisors provide very important and essential advice to the township on certain financial matters including bonds. There were no questions from Council or the public.

Ms. Wollert moved the resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney

ROLL CALL

Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Schroth	

YES

10. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-21)** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR THE REDESIGN AND HOSTING OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EWING'S WEBSITE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,374.50 AND \$50.00/MONTH THEREAFTER HOSTING FEE TO WEBLICATIONS

President Schroth said that this is a resolution authorizing the redesign of our website through a new business. He further said we had to engage the services of someone else to complete the upgrade of the website. Ms. Keyes-Maloney said that she looks forward to seeing the new website and the community is looking forward to it as well.

Ms. Keyes-Maloney then moved the Resolution seconded by Mr. Baxter

ROLL CALL

Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
President Schroth	

YES

11. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-22)** A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF BUS STOPS ALONG STATE ROUTE 175 (RIVER ROAD) IN EWING TOWNSHIP

President Schroth discussed this resolution and said it is for the designation of these bus stops brought to us by the State. There were no questions from Council or the public.

Ms. Wollert then moved the Resolution seconded by Mr. Baxter

ROLL CALL

Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Schroth	YES

12. The Clerk read **(Resolution #16R-23)** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADDITIONAL HONORARY NAME OF "URBANO WAY" TO BE ADDED TO THE STREET SIGN AT RAILROAD AND NEW AVENUES

President Schroth explained that this is bestowing upon Freddie Urbano and the Urbano Family this honor for their longtime presence in Ewing Township and running a true institution called "Freddie's Tavern." The street that runs next to this business will be honored in their name.

There were no questions from Council or the public and Ms. Steward moved the resolution, seconded by Ms. Keyes-Maloney

ROLL CALL

Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Wollert	YES

President Schroth

YES

13. The Clerk read (Resolution #16R-24) A RESOLUTION APPOINTING BROWN & BROWN METRO FOR PROFESSIONAL RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE GARDEN STATE MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND

President Schroth stated that as the title states and as we discussed during the Agenda Session, we are required to have a professional risk management consulting service as part of the Joint Insurance Fund. We have used Brown and Brown for about four years and we are reappointing them at this time. President Schroth asked for questions from Council or the public. There were none.

Mr. Baxter then moved the resolution, seconded by Ms. Wollert.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Wollert	YES
Mr. Baxter	YES
Ms. Keyes-Maloney	YES
Ms. Steward	YES
President Schroth	

YES

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business President Schroth called for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Keyes-Maloney so moved seconded by Mr. Baxter. The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

David P. Schroth, President

Susan Bate, Deputy Clerk