

Regular Meeting October 26, 2010

**REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 26, 2010
7:00 P.M.**

Mayor St. Amour called the meeting to order at 7:00pm read the following statement and requested Ms. Kathy Dickerson, to lead the flag salute.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 231 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1975, NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS GIVEN BY WAY OF ANNUAL NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE ATLANTIC CITY PRESS, ON JANUARY 8, 2010, THE EGG HARBOR AND HAMMONTON NEWS ON JANUARY 14, 2010 AND POSTED AT TOWNHALL.

Roll Call:

Committee Present: Anthony Gabris, Bernard Graebener, William Kennedy, Susan Polk, Mayor St. Amour

Municipal Clerk: Kimberly Johnson

Solicitor: Norman Zlotnick

Chief Financial Officer: Dawn Stollenwerk

Approval of Committee Minutes: Mayor entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the October 12th meeting, so moved by Mr. Kennedy seconded by Ms. Polk. Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Graebener, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mayor St. Amour.

Public Discussion Relating to Agenda Items: None.

First Reading: Ordinance 15-2010 / Amend Chapter 122 / Fees: Mayor reported this Ordinance amends the OPRA Fees as regulated by Governor Christie and also amends our vital certified records to \$5.00, as well as amends Police fees for discovery. Mayor entertained a motion to read by title; so moved by Ms. Polk, seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Graebener, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mayor St. Amour.

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 122, Fees, of the Code of the Township of Mullica, Atlantic County, New Jersey.

Mayor entertained a motion to approve and set a hearing date for November 9th at 7pm, so moved by Mr. Gabris seconded by Mr. Graebener. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Graebener, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mayor St. Amour.

Committee Reports:

Department of Administration: Ms. Polk reported the following: The 17th Annual Halloween Parade was held on Sunday with beautiful weather and a nice turn out. There were 46 prizes given away and everyone received a candy bag and pretzel for participating. A great time was had by everyone! We would like to thank everyone who donated to this event. Trick or Treating will be Sunday, October 31st from 6:00pm – 8pm. Nesco Volunteer Fire Company's 2010 Haunted House & Hay Ride last weekend is

October 29th and 30th. General Election is Tuesday, November 2nd polls open at 6:00am and close at 8:00pm. Municipal offices are closed with the exception of the Clerk's office on Tuesday, November 2nd. Reminder daylight savings is Sunday, November 7th, turn your clocks back one hour and enjoy the extra time to sleep in. Also this is a good time to change your batteries in your smoke detectors. Township offices are closed November 11th in observance of Veteran's Day. Sustainable Mullica has adopted 1.37 mile stretch of Moss Mill Road for a clean-up project, which will occur the first Saturday of each month at 9am to begin at the corner of the Egg Harbor City Cemetery.

Department of Housing & Development: Mr. Gabris reported the Planning Board is holding a public meeting to accept public comments on revisions to the Township's Master Plan on November 3rd, 7:30pm.

Department of Public Safety: Mr. Graebener reported the following: Statistics released for the "Over the Limit Under Arrest" D.U.I. Campaign show Mullica officers recorded the highest number of D.U.I. arrests in the entire county with **10** drunk drivers being removed from the roadways. Additionally our Police Department handled 322 calls for service including, 2 assaults, 1 burglary, 1 domestic dispute, 7 ems/ambulance assists, 1 fight, 2 motor vehicle accidents, 3 thefts from motor vehicles, 1 general theft, 1 burglary arrest, and 1 D.U.I./ C.D.S. arrest. **Fire Department News:** A meeting was held with representatives of AtlantiCare to review their first 3 months of performance, discussed response time, which is 5 ½ minutes and discussed placing an ambulance in Egg Harbor City. Total calls for the fire department for September were 28; Year-to-date 272; Total EMS call for September 45 and year-to-date 413. Elwood's' new rescue truck is now in service and the old rescue vehicle is ready for auction.

Department of Public Works: Mayor St. Amour reported the following updates on Township Projects: Tire clean up on Columbia Road property is nearly completed; drainage swales are currently being cleaned in the Wharton Park Section, to date Public Works has cleaned 3 swales and from those swales 25 bags of trash and 8 tires were removed. Mayor encouraged everyone to please report illegal dumping immediately and urged residents to please utilize the required trash tags as we are keeping a list of repeat offenders and will be notifying those residents.

Correspondence:

Resolution from Township of Galloway calling on the State Legislature and the Governor to enact property tax reform with passage of the municipal toolkit and mandates relief.

New Business:

Resolution 124-2010 / Liquor License Renewal / Forks Landing: Mayor entertained a motion to renew of the 2010-2011 license term; so moved by Mr. Gabris seconded by Mr. Kennedy. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Graebener, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mayor St. Amour.

Resolution 125-2010 / Transfer Sustainable Grant Funding: Mayor entertained a motion transfer \$1,000.00 in grants funds to Sustainable Mullica; so moved by Mr. Gabris seconded by Mr. Graebener. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Graebener, Mayor St. Amour. Nays: Mr. Kennedy. Abstain: Ms. Polk.

Resolution 126-2010 / Chapter 159 / Bulletproof Vest Partnership: Mayor entertained a motion to insert \$1,687.50 into the 2010 budget; so moved by Mr. Kennedy seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Graebener, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mayor St. Amour.

Resolution 127-2010 / Supporting the Over the Limit Under Arrest 2010 Year End Statewide Crackdown: Mayor entertained a motion to support from December 6, 2010 to January 2, 2011; so moved by Mr. Kennedy seconded by Mr. Graebener. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Graebener, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mayor St. Amour.

Resolution 128-2010 / Chapter 159 / Over the Limit Under Arrest 2010 Year End Statewide Crackdown: Mayor entertained a motion to insert \$5,000.00 in to the 2010 budget; so moved by Mr. Graebener seconded by Mr. Kenendy. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Graebener, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mayor St. Amour.

Resolution 129-2010 / Appoint Hearing Officer / Robert A. Verry: Mayor entertained a motion to appoint; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Kennedy. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mayor St. Amour.

Approve NJ State Firemen's Association / Sweetwater Member / John Cheatham: Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve membership seconded by Mr. Graebener. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mayor St. Amour.

Payment of Bills: Ms. Polk so moved to approve the Bill List seconded by Mr. Kennedy. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Graebener, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mayor St. Amour.

Public Discussion: Mr. Ernest Aponte questioned the appointment of the Hearing Officer and the cost. Mayor stated it is regarding a personnel matter. Clerk stated the cost will not exceed \$5,000.00. Mr. Aponte asked Committeeman Kennedy why he voted no on the Sustainable Mullica grant. Mr. Kennedy stated he does not have enough information to approve the transfer of the funds.

Mayor closed the public portion. Mr. Kennedy made a motion to adjourn seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Johnson,
Municipal Clerk

BILL LIST

AT&T – ISDN2.94May-December 2010 ServiceAtlantic City Electric749.51October 2010
ServicesButterhof Farm & Home Supply35.60Misc. PW SuppliesCasa Payroll Service121.35August –
December 2010 ServicesSweetwater Country Cupboard127.89JIF Safety VideoCarbon Service
Corporation55,868.67Contract Nr. 2010-09Lawmen Supply Company of NJ219.99Stream light/Pepper
SprayMaudsley, Mary J.762.50May-Dec 2010 Svc./Langdon Escrow/ Columbia II EscrowSafe Disposal
Systems312.00Refrigerator RemovalVincent DiMatteo3,620.15Public Bathroom RepairsBarker, Scott,
Gelfand5,213.91Wild MatterVerizon Wireless240.14May-December 2010 ServiceNextel
Communications491.40May-December 2010 ServiceAncero90.00July 2010 Web DefenseReserve
Account1,000.00PostageRodio Tractor Sales Inc.11.86Assy Cartridge – PWStaples
Advantage449.95Office Supplies/Copy PaperThe Daily Journal21.85September PublicationsThe
Press9.12Meeting 9/27Petroleum Traders2,571.81September 2010 PurchasesTrico Equipment,
Inc.847.51Case ServiceVal-U Auto Parts590.67September 2010 PurchasesVital Services
Group1,364.24May-December 2010 Services / Assessment Card PostageWal-Mart169.67Halloween
Parade SuppliesAvaya, Inc.212.57Maintenance Agreement Oct-DecProfessional Prop.
Appraisers1,005.00Added Assessment InspectionsMarathon Engineering Inc.2,920.00Rec Complex thru
9/23 – Fifth Avenue thru 9/12 – Columbia II EscrowBiel, Zlotnick & Feinberg4,306.03September 2010

ServicesAtlantic County Clerk's Office	16.00	Cancel MTRA 22-2002	Berntheisel, Susan	200.00	Refund
Escrow BalanceJohnson, Kimberly	840.00	Halloween Parade Gift Cards	Thompson, John C.		
Jr.	281.63	Education Reimbursement – Reimbursement/Recorder	NJ Dept of Health & Sr.		
Service	2.40	September 2010 State Fees	Greater Egg Harbor Regional	138,156.94	October 2010
LevyMullica Twp Board of Education	319,110.00	November 2010 Levy	Mid Atlantic		
communications	20,042.42	May-December 2010 Services			
Current Fund Appropriations	0-01	559,470.65			
Trust Fund Disbursements		0-03	2,515.07		
Total of All Funds			561,985.72		