

**REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 27, 2012
7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. read the following statement and led 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 5, 2012, THE EGG HARBOR AND HAMMONTON NEWS ON JANUARY 11, 2012 AND POSTED AT TOWNHALL.

Roll Call:

Committee Present: Anthony Gabris, Edward Hagaman, Susan Polk, Mayor Brown

Committee Absent: Larry Riffle

Municipal Clerk: Kimberly Johnson

Solicitor: Elias Manos

Approval of Committee Minutes: Mayor entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2012 meeting; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Hagaman. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

Resolution 48-2012 / Appoint Public Works Superintendent / Matthew Ayers: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to appoint Mr. Matthew Ayers; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown. Clerk administered Oath of Office to Mr. Ayers.

Public Discussion Relating to Agenda Items: None.

Hearing: Ordinance #3-2012 / Amending Chapter 34 / Personnel Policies Manual: Mayor entertained a motion to read by title; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 34, Personnel Policies, Adopting Amendments to the Personnel Policy and Procedures Manual of the Township of Mullica, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey

Mayor opened to public, no public comment. Mayor entertained a motion to adopt; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Ms. Polk, Mr. Riffle, Mayor Brown.

Hearing: Ordinance #4-2012 / Cap Waiver: Mayor entertained a motion to read by title; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Hagaman. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Ms. Polk, Mr. Riffle, Mayor Brown.

Calendar Year 2012, Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank

Mayor opened to public, no public comment. Mayor entertained a motion to adopt; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

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First Reading: Ordinance #5-2012/ Accept Unimproved Lands / Block 10807, Lot 11: Mayor entertained a motion to read by title; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

An Ordinance Authorizing the Acceptance of Unimproved Land Designated Block 10807, Lot 11; on the Tax Map of the Township of Mullica, By the Township of Mullica, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey

Mayor opened to public, no public comment. Mayor entertained a motion to adopt; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

Committee Reports:

Public Safety: Mr. Hagaman reported the following: Calls to date for the Police Department from January are as follows: 100 arrests which includes 16 dwi arrests, 625 motor vehicle summons issued, responded to 45 motor vehicle accidents and have handled 20 burglaries. The Police Department reminds everyone to keep their homes secure and if any resident requests and a Safe and Secure Inspection, please contact the Police Department. The next Town Watch meeting will be held April 26th in the Sweetwater Fire House at 7:00 p.m. All residents are invited to attend. Sweetwater Vol. Fire Co. presents Steam 'N Flea Market – Saturday, April 14th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Support our local Firefighters! Flyers at front desk. MTPD Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held March 31st at 2:00 p.m. at the Township Recreational Fields, remember to bring your basket to collect your eggs!

Administration: Ms. Polk reported the following: We will be hosting a Freeholder Meeting on April 17th at 4:00 p.m. This meeting is open to the public. The next monthly Senior Citizens Meeting will be held April 18th at 1:00 p.m. at the Elwood Fire House. Please park in the rear parking lot. We are working on having the Book Mobile there prior to the meeting. Municipal offices will be closed Friday, April 6th for Good Friday. Ms. Polk gave an update on the Schoolyard Garden Project noting vegetables and herbs have been planted, and the next work detail will be this Thursday at 1pm to mulch up leaves.

Public Works: Mr. Gabris reported the following: the Township chipper is currently being serviced; therefore, chipping is at a standstill for approximately 2 weeks, the Township Transfer Station will be closed Sunday, April 8th in observance of the Easter Holiday.

Development & Housing: Mr. Gabris read an article from the Burlington Times, "Settlement Money from the 04 Floods to Flow in May". This article addressed the distribution of 5 million dollars to members of a class action suit from a failed dam. Mr. Gabris stated this Administration has been working diligently to address the areas of concern regarding the dam in Mullica. Mayor stated he has received confirmation from the County that they will be beginning repairs to the secondary spillway. Mr. Gabris reported he is still working on the County Open Space Grant Application.

Revenue & Finance: Mayor reported the following budget hearing will be held on April 10th, and that the increase of approximately \$30,000 equals one cent on the tax rate.

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Resolution from Mullica School District changing their annual School Election held in April to the General Election in November.

Notice of Agricultural Water Use Application to divert water from six wells and one pond for Merlino Brothers.

Letter from Principal Reina, Cedar Creek High School thanking all the fans and supporters of the Girls Basketball Team. Mayor noted at the Freeholder Meeting of April 17th, the Freeholders will be presenting a Proclamation to the Girls Basketball Team.

Old Business:

Renew Junkyard License / South Jersey Truck Auto Salvage & Recycling: Mayor stated the Zoning Officer has indicated the property is approximately 50% cleaned-up and suggested the conditional approval be extended until May 31st. Mr. Gabris so moved to approve extension seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

Resolution 49-2012 / Confirm Landsale / Block 8001, Lot 3 / Errera: Mayor entertained a motion to confirm sale in the amount of \$6,001.00 to Charles Errera; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Hagaman. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

New Business:

Resolution 50-2012 / Safe & Secure Communities Grant: Mayor entertained a motion to approve participation in Safe & Secure Communities Program; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

Resolution 51-2012 / Approve Landsale/ Block 408, Lot 12: Mayor entertained a motion to approve sale of undersized lot with minimum bid of \$800.00; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

Resolution 52-2012 / Refund Tax Overpayment /Block 10401, Lot 4: Mayor entertained a motion to approve refund; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

Resolution 53-2012 / Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator: Mayor entertained a motion to confirm appointment of Matt Ayers for the unexpired term; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

Resolution 54-2012 /Amending Emergency Management Roster: Mayor entertained a motion to amend the Roster; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

Resolution 55-2012 /_Atlantic County Task Force: Mayor entertained a motion to approve members; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

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Mayor appoints Recycling Coordinator / Matt Ayers: Mayor appointed Matt Ayers and entertained a motion to confirm; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

Mayor appoints Clean Communities Coordinator / Matt Ayers: Mayor appointed Matt Ayers and entertained a motion to confirm; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris.

Discuss Street Vacation Denial / Portion of Sixth Street: Clerk reported a request was made to vacate Sixth Street between Reading and Weymouth Avenues and the Planning Board denied the recommendation. Clerk stated notices were sent to the applicant advising them of this meeting and they are not in attendance. Mayor Brown entertained a motion to accept the Planning Board's recommendation; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

Payment of Bills: Ms. Polk so moved to approve the Bill List seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown.

Public Discussion: Mr. Matt Savona, expressed his dissatisfaction with Junkyard's receiving conditional approvals, with property owners not abiding by Zoning Laws, and with burglaries in Town, noting he has been burglarized and it has gone unsolved. Mayor reported the Police Department is doing their best. Mr. Hagaman stated we have a young department and they are working hard.

Mayor closed public portion and entertained a motion to enter Executive Session; so moved by Ms. Polk seconded by Mr. Gabris RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown. Clerk read Resolution ES #5-12 in full to review Executive Session Minutes, and to discuss pending litigation.

Ms. Polk so moved to come back to Regular Session at 7:45 pm seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Hagaman, Mayor Brown. Clerk reported the Governing Body reviewed Executive Session Minutes, and discussed a matter of pending litigation.

Approve Executive Session Minutes: Ms. Polk so moved to approve the minutes of March 13, 2012, seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Ms. Polk, Mayor Brown. Abstain: Mr. Hagaman.

Ms. Polk made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Johnson, RMC

BILL LIST

Atlantic City Electric	974.78	March 2012 Services
Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield	4,004.06	April 2012 Premium
Casa Payroll Services	118.55	March 2012 Services
Chapman Auto Group	17.73	Dipstick – F350
Lorco Petroleum Services	210.00	Oily Water Disposal
EZ Pass	13.00	Bridge Tolls
General Code	1,195.00	2012 Ecode Annual Maintenance
Global Industries, Inc.	1,880.10	PD Office Furniture

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Goloff, Carol	550.00	Escrow Services
Hess Corporation	614.09	March 2012 Services
UPS	32.36	Radio Return for Repairs
AE Stone, Inc.	452.25	Cold Patch
Nehmad Perillo & Davis	2,500.00	March 2012 Retainer
NJSACOP	150.00	Chief Orientation
Verizon Wireless	240.10	March 2012 Services
Nextel Communications	612.13	March 2012 Services
Ancero	167.00	Cisco Maint Renewal
Reserve Account	1,000.00	Postage
South Jersey Gas Company	1,080.56	March 2012 Services
Spectera, Inc	644.82	April 2012 Premium
Staples Advantage	803.73	Office Supplies
Tax Coll & Treas. Assoc Atla City	200.00	2012 Dues
The Daily Journal	54.34	February 2012 Publications
The Press	7.98	Budget Workshop
Petroleum Traders	1,699.88	February 2012 Purchases
Trico Equipment, Inc.	773.30	Loader Service
Vital Services Group	200.00	Feb 2012 Services
Cargill Inc., Deicing Tech	2,655.93	Deicer Salt
Walmart	174.51	Easter Egg Hunt Supplies
Avaya, Inc.	249.59	March 2012 Lease Install
Atlantic County Utilities Auth	14,210.05	February 2012 Services
Thompson, John C. Jr.	497.40	Easter Egg Hunt Reimbursement
NJ Division of Pensions	292,041.00	2012 Pension Contributions
NJ Department of Health & Sr. Svc.	105.00	February 2012 State Fees
Greater Egg Harbor Regional	221,204.60	March 2012
Mullica Twp. Board of Education	319,110.00	April 2012 Levy
Wells Fargo	1,122.24	Refund Block 5002, Lot 29

Current Fund 2-01 870,225.87
Trust Fund T-03 1,340.21

TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS 871,566.08