

**REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 22, 2011  
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, EGG HARBOR AND HAMMONTON NEWS ON JANUARY 5, 2011 AND POSTED AT TOWNHALL.

**Roll Call:**

**Committee Present:** Anthony Gabris, William Kennedy, Susan Polk, Larry Riffle, Mayor Brown

**Municipal Clerk:** Kimberly Johnson

**Solicitor:** Elias Manos

**CFO:** Dawn Stollenwerk

**Approval of Committee Minutes:** Mayor entertained a motion to approve the minutes of February 8, 2011; so moved by Mr. Kennedy seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mr. Riffle, Mayor Brown.

**Public Discussion Relating to Agenda Items:**

Mr. Bernard Graebener questioned the sale of Block 701, Lot 15, if it will be voted upon this evening. Mayor stated it is possible. Mr. Graebener expressed his concern that a previous Committee had consented to maintaining ownership of this parcel until the County made a decision regarding the lake. Mayor reported the County has submitted a traffic analysis to the State in the hopes of lowering the classification of the dam. Mr. Graebener suggested noticing all the property owners around the lake regarding this sale. Ms. Polk questioned other access. Mayor stated the municipality also owns a 23 acre parcel on the lake.

**Committee Reports:**

**Public Safety:** Mr. Kennedy reported the following: To date the Police Department has answered 2,797 calls. The police department investigated 6 motor vehicle accidents, made 1 arrest, conducted 72 motor vehicle stops and issued 30 traffic summons. The police department is currently preparing to host the twenty first annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 16<sup>th</sup> and are accepting donations. Total calls for the fire departments for February is 23 and year-to-date is 45. Total EMS calls for February is 44 and year-to-date is 80. March 14<sup>th</sup> the fire departments held their first meeting in over a year and plan to meet 3-4 times a year. The Departments are going out for bid for 2010 FEMA grant mobile communications equipment and preparing to work on the 2011 FEMA grant process. Mullica Community Watch Monthly Meeting – Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Sweetwater Vol. Fire House on Pleasant Mills Road. Nesco Volunteer Fire Company Italian Hoagie Sale on April 12<sup>th</sup> hoagies cost \$5.00 for more information call or 561-6791.

**Administration:** Ms. Polk reported the following: Reminder, Rabies Clinic is scheduled for March 26<sup>th</sup> from 10 am–12 pm. A late fee of \$5.00 will be assessed for those dogs that do not get their license before March 31<sup>st</sup>.

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Mullica Township Schools will be holding Pre-K and Kindergarten registrations Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, contact the school at 561-3868, ext 146 to schedule an appointment. Congratulations to Maryanne Wyld who is the recipient of Mullica Township's Support Staff Member, to Heather Kondras who is the recipient of Mullica Township's Middle School Teacher of the Year and Christine Rivera recipient of the Primary Teacher of the Year. Mullica Township Recreation Association is holding a Beef and Beer for New Bathroom/Concession Facility at the Recreation Fields on Saturday April 2, 2011 from 7pm to 10pm at Six Packs Pub, tickets are \$20.00 and include all you can eat and drink.

**Public Works:** Mr. Riffle reported the following: The newly implemented bulky waste permitting process is moving along, there have been complaints as well as compliments. Chipping program is back on schedule, covering the township monthly. Reminder to residents to please utilize orange stickers for trash as the list for residents not utilizing the mandated tags is once again growing.

**Housing & Development:** Mr. Gabris reported the Pinelands Commission is reviewing their rules to possibly include solar farms as a primary use, however, he indicated the transmission lines will cost approximately 1 million dollar per mile.

**Revenue & Finance:** Mayor reported the following: The 2011 Tax Sale date is scheduled for April 6<sup>th</sup> for all unpaid 2010 taxes. Advertisements for the sale began March 9<sup>th</sup> in the Egg Harbor / Hammonton News. We have completed our updates for the 2009 Homestead Rebate. Rebates for those who qualified will be applied to the second quarter 2011 tax amount due. Revised billings detailing the rebate amount and the new tax amount due have been mailed. Property owners who have their taxes paid through a mortgage escrow account will receive an "advice only" bill for their information. The mortgage company will deduct the amount of rebate from the second quarter tax amount due, and remit payment to the municipality as usual. Tax payments are due May 1, 2011, questions regarding this should be directed to NJ Division of Taxation at 1-888-238-1233. 1,021 property owners qualified for the rebate, totaling \$178,200.93. The average rebate was less than \$175.00. The total cost to the township for processing the rebate was \$ 997.02, and the state will reimburse \$673.86 of that amount. (net cost of \$323.16 to the township).

### **Correspondence:**

Town of Hammonton is holding a public hearing on amendments to Chapter 175 to set standards for the installation of solar energy and windmills.

Resolution from NJ citizens for wind turbine setbacks.

**Old Business:** None.

### **New Business:**

**Resolution #50-2011 / Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property:** Mayor entertained a motion to dispose of property; so moved by Mr. Kennedy seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mr. Riffle, Mayor Brown.

**Renew 2011 Mobile Home Park / Mullica Woods:** Mayor entertained a motion to approve; so moved by Mr. Kennedy seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mr. Riffle, Mayor Brown.

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**Discuss Landsale Request / Block 701, Lot 14:** Mayor explained this is before the Governing Body, due to differences between himself and Mr. Gabris, who are the Landsale Committee. Ms. Polk questioned other access. Mayor stated the municipality also owns a 23 acre parcel on the lake which is wet. Committee discussed the possibility of the lake becoming public and the on-going problems regard the dam. Mayor made a motion that we correspond with the County to ascertain their intent and position regarding this issue; so moved by Mr. Kennedy seconded by Mr. Gabris. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mr. Riffle, Mayor Brown.

**Reject Payment / Service Station Service / \$610.00:** Mayor entertained a motion to reject this payment based upon report from CFO; so moved by Mr. Kennedy seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mr. Riffle, Mayor Brown.

**Payment of Bills:** Mayor Brown entertained a motion to approve the bill list; so moved by Mr. Kennedy seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mr. Riffle, Mayor Brown.

### **Public Discussion:**

Ms. Janet Forman expressed her concern that the municipality foreclosed on 10 acres of the Waszen property and questioned the contamination of the site, as well as, any monetary obligations. Ms. Forman expressed her dissatisfaction that the previous administration should have made this information public, as well as, the fact that the Governing Body in 2010 was speaking with representatives of Mr. Waszen in regards to possible uses for the site, including, a public/private partnership. Mr. Manos stated some liens are foreclosed out depending on what they are. Ms. Forman asked Mr. Gabris if there was any progress on the illegal businesses she reported on at the last meeting and on the flood program certification. Mr. Gabris stated he has compiled a list to review with Mr. Sandman and that he has instructed the office to obtain elevation certificates and to resurrect a log regarding flood zone questions. Mr. Gabris and Ms. Forman discussed the pros and cons of the program. Ms. Forman stated at the previous meeting a conflict attorney was required for a personnel matter and it was indicated on former Mayor St. Amour's blog that the conflict was caused by Mr. Sandman and she stated indicated it was not. Mr. Riffle questioned Ms. Forman in that she read on a blog a matter of executive session. Ms. Forman confirmed. Mayor stated he will review the Waszen foreclosure.

Mayor Brown closed the public portion and entertained a motion to enter executive session; so moved by Mr. Kennedy seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mr. Riffle, Mayor Brown. Clerk read Resolution ES4-2011 in full to discuss contract negotiations and to review executive session minutes.

Mr. Kennedy made a motion to come back to Regular Session at 8:00 pm seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes. Clerk reported in Executive Session Committee discussed contract negotiations regarding Mid-Atlantic Communications and reviewed the executive session minutes of February 22, 2011.

**Approve Executive Session Minutes:** Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the minutes of February 22, 2011 seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Gabris, Mr. Kennedy, Ms. Polk, Mr. Riffle, Mayor Brown.

Mr. Kennedy moved to adjourn seconded by Ms. Polk. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Johnson, Municipal Clerk

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BILL LIST

Alicea, Miriam	75.00	Court Session
Animal Capture & Control	645.00	March 2011 Services
Arawak Paving Company	9,601.47	Jackson Road project
Atl Cuonty Mayors Association	300.00	2011 Dues
Best Eastern Exterminating	90.00	February 2011 Services
Birch's Communications LLC	95.90	B26 Repairs
Crescent Tire & Auto	1,132.80	February 2011 Services / 2007 Jeep Battery / Service
Hammonton Home Center	13.99	Snow Shovel
Dimeglio Septic	65.00	February 2011 Services
Forman's Auto Body	1,425.50	B8 Repairs
Frick, Elaine	666.67	March 2011 Services
Garden State Highway Products	415.00	Stop Signs
General Code Publishers	1,195.00	Ecode Maintenance
Goloff, Carol	187.50	March 2011 Services
Crystal Springs	180.69	January 2011 Services
Lawmen Supply Co.	2,484.59	Ammunition
McDonald Saw Service	38.80	Saw Chains
Barker, Scott Gelfand	3,861.10	February 2011 Services
Verizon Wireless	240.06	March 2011 Services
NJ Planning Officials	315.00	2011 Dues
Nextel Communications	461.71	February 2011 Services
Reserve Account	1,000.00	Postage
Staples Advantage	213.01	Office/Janitorial Supplies
Swift, James	300.00	March 2011 Services
Detailed Play Pro	974.63	Wave Slide & Bracket
The Daily Journal	47.31	February 2011 Publications
The Press	17.10	Ord 1-2011
Petroleum Traders	1,667.36	February 2011 Purchases
Vital Servies Group	200.00	February 2011 Services
Cargill, Inc. Deicing Tech	2,898.76	Bulk Ice Control
Walmart	239.08	Easter Egg Hunt Candy
Xerox Capital Services	27.00	Copier Maintenance Renewal
Certified Speedometer Service	117.00	Calibrate Radar
Atlantic County Utilities Auth.	16,706.65	February 2011 Services
Korean United Methodist Church	250.00	Refund Trailer Permit Fee
Division of Pensions	261,502.00	2011 Pension Contributions
Treasurer, State of NJ	273.00	Annual Life Hazard
NJ Dept of Health & Sr. Svc	121.80	February 2011 State Fees
Greater Egg Harbor Regional	230,261.57	March 2011 Levy
Mullica Twp. Board of Education	319,110.00	March 2011 Levy

Current Fund Appropriations	27.00
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Trust Fund Disbursement	645.08

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Improvement Authorizations            9,601.47

TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS 859,417.05