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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.

NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS GIVEN BY ANNUAL NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE ATLANTIC CITY PRESS, HAMMONTON GAZETTE, EGG HARBOR AND HAMMONTON NEWS ON JANUARY 4, 2017, AND POSTED AT TOWN HALL.

**Roll Call:**

**Committee Present:** Edward Hagaman, Larry Riffle, John Walther, James Brown

**Committee Absent:** Christopher Silva

**Municipal Clerk:** Kimberly Johnson

**Solicitor:** Tracy Siebold

**Chief of Fire Affairs:** Jerry Critelli

**Approval of Committee Minutes:** Mayor Brown entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the April 25<sup>th</sup> meeting; so moved by Mr. Walther seconded by Mr. Hagaman. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Hagaman, Mr. Walther, Mayor Brown. Abstain: Mr. Riffle.

**Public Discussion Relating to Agenda Items:** None.

**Presentation: Jay Sciullo, Township Engineer / FEMA Maps:** Mr. Sciullo reported in 2014 the Governing Body amended Chapter 131, Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance to be in compliance with the NJ Department of Environmental Protection Best Available Data. He stated in 2015 the City of New York submitted information to FEMA and those changes will effect coastal regions. He stated FEMA is now requesting communities to adopt the preliminary maps. Mr. Sciullo stated by adopting these maps and participating in the program will assist homeowners in flood insurance costs, recovery monies and future grants. He reported in Mullica there are 20 properties coming out of the flood hazard area and 47 going in, noting we are on the lower end in the County. Mr. Sciullo stated if you do not have a mortgage you are not required to have flood insurance, but stated we should encourage residents to maintain the coverage to keep the dwelling grandfathered. He stated FEMA is requesting Committee's consensus to adopt the maps. He further explained the preliminary maps are currently be utilizing for construction regulations, but not for insurance purposes until adopted. Mayor Brown entertained a motion to update the maps in compliance with the new standards; so moved by Mr. Hagaman seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

**Amendments to Chapter 144 / LDO:** Ms. Johnson indicated the Pinelands Commission is requesting minor changes to our Code which the Planning Board has reviewed and is recommending. Mr. Sciullo referred to the sample ordinance from the Commission noting some changes include changes to definitions, exemptions from the Commission for certain applications which include solar arrays, home occupations, etc. Mayor suggested Committee review further and direct inquiries to Mr. Sciullo before moving forward.

**First Reading: Ordinance #5-2017 / Capital Improvement:** Mayor Brown entertained a motion to read by title; so moved by Mr. Hagaman seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

*An Ordinance Appropriating \$45,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund for Municipal Facilities Improvements & Purchases for the Township of Mullica, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey.*

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Mayor Brown entertained a motion to approve and set hearing date for May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7pm; so moved by Mr. Hagaman seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

**Hearing: Ordinance #4-2017 / Amend Chapter 156 / Temporary Trailers:** Mayor Brown entertained a motion to read by title; so moved by Mr. Hagaman seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

*An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 156 of the Code of the Township of Mullica, Entitled "Mobile Homes and House Trailers" Atlantic County, State of New Jersey*

Mayor Brown opened to the public. No public comment. Mayor Brown entertained a motion to adopt; so moved by Mr. Hagaman seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

### Committee Reports:

**Department of Public Safety:** Mr. Hagaman reported the following calls for the month of April: burglary alarm 21; animal complaints 23; burglaries 6; domestics 7; ems/ambulance calls 42; motor vehicle accidents 10; motor vehicle stops 437; property checks 367; suspicious motor vehicles 12.

**Department of Development of Housing:** Mayor Brown reported the following: For the month of April the Construction Department issued 18 permits which included new single family dwelling, replacement of mobile home at Mullica Woods, in-ground pool, and roof mount solar systems. The remaining new permits were for alterations roofing, siding water heaters etc. The Construction Office collected \$8,747.00 in fees of which \$479.00 is remitted to the State. The Zoning Department issued 6 Zoning Permits, and 8 Maintenance Certificates and collected \$900.00.

**Department of Public Works:** Mr. Riffle reported the Public Works has been busy with the following: inspected fire extinguishes at municipal complex and transfer station; installed dead end, no dumping and speed limit sign on Cypress; addressed run-off on roadways and low spots; repaired pot holes; chipping; litter pick-up; maintenance to recreation complex and cutting of fields; welding to the case wheel loader and repaired disconnecting pin on loader bucket.

**Department of Administration:** Mr. Walther reported the following: Municipal Offices will be closed on May 29<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day. On Memorial Day May 29<sup>th</sup>, Mullica in the Pines will again pay tribute to our Veteran's at the Hilda Frame School, after the ceremony at the Batsto Pleasant Mills Cemetery. Mullica Twp. Seniors will be holding Yard Sales on May 20<sup>th</sup>, July 15<sup>th</sup>, and September 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Mullica in the Pines Historical Building. Spaces are available for \$10.00, for more information contact Adrian (609) 561-2420. Primary Election informational dates: May 16<sup>th</sup> - Deadline for Voter Registration for Primary Election; May 30<sup>th</sup> - Deadline to apply for Mail-In-Ballot for Primary Election; June 6<sup>th</sup> - Primary Election. Mr. Walther reported he attend the Recreation Association monthly meeting and reported on the following: they have agreed to keep concession stand fundraising for the concession stand project, will be supplying paint samples for the current concession stand, requested to add a keypad entry at the stand and ongoing discussions on field maintenance.

**Department of Revenue & Finance:** Mayor stated he was unable to attend the Memorial Day Service and asked if any other Committee members could attend. Committee to check their schedules. Mayor Brown reported the following: The Township had one bidder for the BAN sale on April 26<sup>th</sup>. The \$320,250 note was sold to Oppenheimer at a net interest cost of 2.4843%. Closing is scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup>. The existing

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\$407,125 note will be paid off with the note proceeds, combined with an additional \$87,875 in principal payments.

### Old Business:

**Budget Discussion / Efficiencies:** Mayor Brown reported the CFO received a quotation for a private disability policy and the estimated annual savings to the township is \$821. Fifty percent of current employees covered by the existing State plan must vote to approve the plan change and the next permissible date for leaving the state plan is 7/1. Mayor recommended we address this at a later time. Mayor reported we also received proposals for Armored Car Service and the prices received were not cost-effective for the Township at this time. As to chipping Mayor suggested to discuss at the next meeting when Mr. Silva is present.

### New Business:

**Appoint Chief of Fire Affairs: / Jerry Critelli:** Mayor Brown entertained a motion to appoint; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes. Mayor thanked Mr. Critelli for his service. Mr. Critelli reported calls last year were up significantly and this year they are currently down, noting motor vehicle accidents have increased. Mr. Critelli stated communication with Galloway Township are very good. He reported Elwood received a truck donation from the Forest Service, have submitted the tank for the tanker and he received a grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 from Atlantic City Electric which he forwarded to Elwood Fire Company for the installation of a digital sign.

**Resolution #85-2017 / Refund Taxes / Corelogic:** Mayor Brown entertained a motion to refund; so moved by Mr. Hagaman seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

**Resolution #86-2017 / Separate Employment / Heavy Equipment Operator / Andrew Finegan:** Mayor Brown entertained a motion to separate; so moved by Mr. Hagaman seconded by Mr. Walther RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

**Resolution #87-2017 / Renew 2017 Trailer Park License / Mullica Woods Adult Community:** Mayor Brown entertained a motion to renew; so moved by Mr. Hagaman seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Mayor stated in the meeting packets for review is a Peace and Good Order Ordinance.

**Payment of Bills:** Mayor Brown entertained a motion to approve the bill list; so moved by Mr. Hagaman seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

### Public Discussion:

Ms. Barbara Sarraf asked if the armored car service was in lieu of the Police Officers taking the bank bags. Mayor stated yes we were hoping it would be cost effective for the service, but it is not.

Mayor Brown entertained a motion to adjourn; so moved by Mr. Hagaman seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kimberly Johnson, Municipal Clerk

**BILL LIST**

Atlantic Coast Alarm, Inc.	154.00	Panic Button Repair/Test
Atlantic City Electric	3,004.63	April Services
G&P Floor Maintenance	425.00	April Services
Maglocen	400.00	User Fees 7/2017-6/2018
Verizon	27.68	April Services
Verizon Wireless	240.06	May Services
Sprint Spectrum, LP	121.76	May Services
Stewart Business Systems	530.41	Copier Maintenance
Val-U Auto Parts	64.01	April Purchases
Vital Communications, Inc.	192.60	Farmland Forms
Marathon Engineering Inc.	750.00	Misc. Road Projects
Delmo Spots LLC	3,762.86	Refund Bike Race Detail Deposit
Atlantic County Clerk's Office	8.00	Record Land Sale – DiMatteo
Comcast	372.42	May Services
Comcast Business	367.42	May Services
Corelogic Real Estate Tax Serv	2,766.58	Tax Refund Res. 85-2017
Thomas D. Harrigan	930.50	Perc Docket AR 2017-231
Mullica District Schools	50.00	Graduation Award
Mullica Twp Recreation Assoc.	1,615.63	GEHR Payment Reimbursement

Current Fund 6-01 750.00  
Current Fund 7-01 11,262.42  
Trust Fund T-03 3,770.86

Total of All Funds 15,783.28