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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: Gary Franklin, John Walther, James Brown

Committee Absent: Larry Riffle, Chris Silva

Municipal Clerk: Kimberly Johnson

Solicitor: Tracy Siebold

Approval of Committee Minutes: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2017 meeting; so moved by Mr. Walther seconded by Mr. Franklin. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Public Discussion Relating to Agenda Items: None.

Hearing: Ordinance #7-2017 / Accept Unimproved Land / Block 41105, Lot 4: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to read by title; so moved by Mr. Walther seconded by Mr. Franklin. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

An Ordinance Authorizing the Acceptance of Unimproved Land Designated Block 41105, Lot 4 on the Tax Map of the Township of Mullica, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey.

Mayor Brown opened to the public. Mr. Ron Lischak asked the location. Clerk stated it is located on Locust Street. Mayor Brown entertained a motion to adopt; so moved by Franklin seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Committee Reports:

Department of Public Safety: Mr. Franklin reported the following: Municipal Court collected \$29,178.44 for the month of June 2017 and the municipality retained \$15,062.75. National Night Out will be held Thursday, August 10th 6pm to 9pm at the Recreational Fields. Thank You Blue signs available to support MTPD \$10.00 each. Contact the MTPD for more information or to order your sign 561-7600.

Department of Administration: Mr. Walther reported the following: Community Shredding Event will be held on August 5th, 10am – 1pm (or until the truck is full), at the intersection of the White Horse Pike & New York Avenue. This is for residential confidential/sensitive materials only. Magazines and non-confidential materials should be recycled. This event is sponsored by Egg Harbor City & Mullica Township, funded in part through the NJ Clean Communities Program & Sustainable EHC.

Department of Revenue & Finance: Mayor reported we received our certified tax levy today. Our tax rate for 2017 is 4.694, which is an overall increase of 27.7 cents. This equates to a \$277.00 increase per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The total County increase was 2.7 cents, local school 12.7 cents, GEHR 9.3 cents, and the

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township 3 cents. Tax bills are currently being processed and the August 1st due date has been extended, the exact due date will be determined once the bills are mailed.

Correspondence:

Resolution from Linwood joining the lawsuit challenging the casino pilot law.

Resolution from NJ Conference of Mayors urging the State Legislature to extend the 2% cap on police and fire arbitration contract awards.

Atlantic County is holding a public hearing on September 13th, 1:30pm at the Galloway Library regarding the proposed use of funds for the 2018 Senior Citizens and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Program.

Correspondence from Mullica Township Republican Club requesting the Committee Meeting Minutes of June 13th be revised to eliminate the implication by Mr. Riffle that the Mayor was not truthful. Mayor stated that Mr. Riffle stated there were Ward Leaders who were not aware of the nominees for the Committee vacancy seat, which is a false statement. Mayor Brown moved to amend the minutes of the June 13th meeting to remove any language that pertained to the process of the selection of the candidate seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Franklin, Mr. Walther, Mayor Brown.

Old Business:

COAH / Discuss Joint Meeting with Planning Board: Ms. Siebold stated we have reached a settlement agreement with Fair Share Housing with regard to affordable housing litigation. She explained one of the requirements is to incorporate the settlement agreement into the Fair Housing Element of the Master Plan. This process needs to be considered by the Planning Board and endorsed by the Governing Body. Ms. Siebold recommended a joint meeting with Committee and the Planning Board. Mayor Brown made a motion to hold a joint meeting on Tuesday, August 8th at 6pm seconded by Mr. Franklin. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

New Business:

Resolution #110-2017 / Appoint Part-time Temporary Laborer / William Greis: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to appoint; so moved by Mr. Walther seconded by Mr. Franklin. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Accept Resignation / Corporal Tantum: Mayor entertained a motion to accept; so moved by Mr. Walther seconded by Mr. Franklin. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

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

Public Discussion: Barbara Sarraf, asked if the names of all the nominees for the Committee vacancy are available. Mayor stated yes by attending a Republic Club Meeting. Ms. Sarraf asked why the Ward Leaders were requesting the Committee minutes be revised. Mayor responded because of false statements.

Mr. Brian Rosario urged Committee to consider his request to be able to continue to live in the trailer on his property with his family why he is building his home. Mr. Rosario stated he understood that the Ordinance for temporary trailers has been amended since he began this process, but, stated it would be a dire financial hardship to his family if he would need to locate temporary housing. He explained he is building his home

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himself and the goal is to be in the home by Christmas. He stated it is not feasible for his family to re-locate and those monies could be utilized for the construction of the home. He stated he had many hurdles indicating his wife became ill which set the construction back six to eight months. Mayor asked how many trailers are on the property. Mr. Rosario stated a registered camper and the mobile home that is temporary. Mr. Walther asked what time frame he is requesting. Mr. Rosario requested six months with a four month extension. Mayor asked about the driveway. Mr. Rosario stated he recently had it graded. Mr. Franklin asked how long this has been on-going. Mr. Rosario stated he has owned the parcel for three years. Mr. Rosario stated his goal is December 25th, but he is requesting ten months due to unforeseen circumstances. Mayor indicated the Director of Housing and Development is not present so he suggested Committee discuss over the next month and come up with a plan.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Johnson, Municipal Clerk

BILL LIST

Atlantic City Electric	3,168.41	July Services
C.A.M. Co.	3,643.00	Boom Mower Repairs
Gloucester Cnty. Police Academy	80.00	Interview/Interrogation Course
UPS	38.51	Alcotest Recert Shipping
Jimmie's Florist, Inc.	45.00	Memorial Day Wreath
A.E. Stone Inc.	405.00	Patch
INK Technologies	179.00	Livescan Printer Cartridge
Maglocen	400.00	Dues 7/17-6/2018
Verizon	55.26	May-December Services
Verizon Wireless	240.10	June-December Services
Sprint Spectrum	421.91	June-December Services
ACMJIF	51,637.00	3 rd Quarter Assessment
Royal Printing Service	3,559.98	Primary Election Materials
South Jersey Gas Company	121.34	July Services
Staples Business Advantage	29.00	Office Supplies PD
Thomson Reuters West	388.00	NJ Criminal Law & NV 2017
Atlantic Well Drilling	3,800.00	MTRA Well
Atlantic County Utilities Auth.	16,622.42	May-December Services
Comcast	362.77	June-December Services
Comcast Business	373.41	June December Services
Hy-Way Motors, Inc.	844.75	June Services
Masterson, Denise	490.00	Refund Construction Fee
Elwood Post Office	188.00	6 Month PO Box Renewal

Current Fund 6-01 844.75
 Current Fund 7-01 82,448.11
 Trust Fund T-03 3,800.00

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Total of All Funds 87,092.86