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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.

Oath of Office to Committee Member Elect Barbara Rheault: Senator Colin Bell administered the Oath of Office.

Roll Call:

Committee Present: Barbara Rheault, Larry Riffle, Christopher Silva, John Walther, James Brown

Municipal Clerk: Kimberly Johnson

Solicitor: Tracy Siebold

Chief of Police: John Thompson

Approval of Committee Minutes: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the October 24th meeting; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Riffle, Mr. Silva, Mr. Walther, Mayor Brown. Abstain: Ms. Rheault.

Public Discussion Relating to Agenda Items: None.

Committee Reports:

Department of Public Works: Mr. Riffle reported the bids for the Musket Lane culvert replacement are being reviewed by the Township Engineer and that bids were received in amounts ranging from \$30,000 to \$107,000. He stated the holiday hours for the Transfer Station are as follows: Sunday, December 24th - CLOSING AT 11 a.m. Monday, December 25th – CLOSED and Monday, January 1st, closed.

Department of Administration: Mr. Walther reported the following: The November Senior Citizens Meeting will be held November 15th. The November Historical Society meeting will be held Tuesday November 21, at 7:00 pm at the Hilda Frame School. Museum will be open. The Mullica Township School is collecting for their annual Thanksgiving food drive. If interested in making a donation contact: Liz Rabush, 561-3868 x 143. Municipal Offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday on Thursday November 23 and Friday November 24th. Mark your calendar for December 1st 6pm-8pm at the Mullica in the Pines Historical Society for Christmas story telling, performances and a visit from Saint Nick.

Department of Development & Housing: Mr. Silva reported the following for the month of October: For the month of October the Construction Department issued 35 permits which included rehab/alterations of existing single family dwellings, roof and ground mount solar systems, wheel chair ramp, generator, and Continued Certificate of Occupancy. The remaining new permits were for alterations; replace shingles, furnace, air conditioners etc. The Construction Office collected \$8,323.00 in fees of which \$527.00 is remitted to the State. The Zoning Department issued 10 Zoning Permits, 6 Maintenance Certificates and collected \$900.00. We have received requests to accept the following properties as a donation in lieu of foreclosure: Block 2236, Lot 2,

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1310 84th Street, 20x100 lot in the AP Zone and Block 10705, Lot 4, 500 Hamburg Avenue, .387 acres in RDA Zone with wetlands. If in agreement Clerk will prepare Ordinance for next meeting.

Department of Public Safety: Ms. Rheault reported the following: Municipal Court collected \$24,609.87 for the month of October 2017 and the municipality retained \$10,969.67. With changing the clocks back, remember to change the battery in your Smoke Detectors. If you are in need of a new or replacement smoke detector, First Alert Smoke Detectors are available to Mullica Township Residents. Limited supply available and are distributed on a first come first served basis. Thank You Blue signs are available in the MTPD \$10.00 each. Contact the MTPD for more information or to order your sign 561-7600. Shop with a Cop is December 2nd. This is an annual event where kids from Mullica Twp. are sponsored for Christmas. Each child is assigned a police officer, the officer gives the child a \$100 gift card and helps them shop for Christmas. Anyone interested in donating to this event should contact the police department or the Egg Harbor Township Police Athletic League at 645-8413.

Correspondence:

Pinelands Commission will hold a public hearing on Hamilton Township's Ordinance amending the Land Use Ordinance on December 6th, 9:30 am at the Commission.

Old Business:

Discuss Amendments / Towing Ordinance / Chapter 217: Mayor asked for an update from Mr. Walther. Mr. Walther reported himself, Chief Thompson, former Committee member Gary Franklin along with the towers reviewed the entire Ordinance. He stated Mr. Franklin has the notes which will be forwarded to the Municipal Clerk.

Budget Discussion: Mr. Silva indicated to Ms. Rheault that Mr. Franklin was working on a report on the use of Class II Officers and the benefits to public safety. Ms. Rheault stated she will investigate. Mayor Brown noted we have been notified that the County Daily Report Program is being discontinued for assistance at the Transfer Station and that we may need to consider hiring additional employees. Mr. Silva requested an itemized budget report for departments. Mayor suggested he request same of the CFO.

Surplus Property Program: Ms. Siebold reported after review of the State Statutes and Resolution of the Governing Body that it is the intent of this Body to approve items prior to acceptance. Ms. Siebold stated after her conversation with the Chief that may be difficult comparing this program to an e-bay style auction. Chief Thompson explained the Military Surplus 1033 Program provides property to municipal, county, and state law enforcement agencies. He stated it is regulated by Senate Bill 2364 and is overseen by the State Police. Chief indicated Mullica is in full compliance with the program and there is no cost to accept the items. Ms. Siebold suggested the Chief submit a wish list to the Governing Body for approval. Mayor expressed his concern with acquisition, maintenance, labor and insurance costs related to these items. Chief Thompson stated the newest acquired vehicle can be utilized in high water operations, remote areas, snow plowing and for training purposes with the Fire Departments, noting it is not specific to the Police Department. Mr. Silva stated his concern is with the disposition not the acquisition as this is Township property and that power to dispose of should fall under the prevue of the Governing Body. Chief Thompson stated under the program he has the authority to assign the equipment. Mayor recommended a policy be put in place regarding the acquisition of property under this program. Committee agreed to have Ms. Siebold review and prepare a policy with procedures in place to include the Governing Body. Mr. Silva suggested when items are assigned that the entity indemnify the municipality. Mr. Silva

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moved to have Ms. Siebold create a policy seconded by Ms. Rheault. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes. Ms. Siebold stated the items that have been acquired need to be accepted by the Governing Body.

New Business:

Resolution #142-2017 / Cancel Taxes / Halvorson: Mayor entertained a motion to cancel; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution #143-2017 / Refund Taxes / Corelogic: Mr. Silva made a motion to refund seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution #144-2017 / Approve Land Sale Request / Block 7801, Lots 2, 3, 5, & 8 and Block 7403, Lots 8-15: Mr. Silva asked if there would be a greater value if the parcels were consolidated. Clerk stated the lots being requested are for deed restriction purposes. It was noted the lots are on paper streets and there are wetlands. Mr. Silva, Mr. Riffle, and Ms. Rheault left the courtroom to review the tax maps. Mr. Silva requested holding this until he speaks with the Assessor. Mayor stated he talked to the Assessor prior to recommending the sale. Mr. Silva requested if sold deed restricting the lots. Ms. Siebold needs to confirm if a deed restriction can be placed in a quit claim deed. Mr. Walther made a motion to hold this Resolution until the next meeting pending further information seconded by Mr. Silva. RCV: Yeas: Ms. Rheault, Mr. Riffle, Mr. Silva, Mr. Walther. Nays: Mayor Brown.

Resolution #145-2017 / Approval Alliance Grant / 2019: Mr. Silva made a motion approve the grant, however requested in the future to review the parameters of the grant. Mr. Silva stated in the past he ran a grant such as this and conducted joint ventures with Senior Citizens. Ms. Rheault stated this grant is to promote programs to prevent drug and alcohol abuse. Ms. Rheault seconded the motion. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Resolution #146-2017 / Award Natural Gas Supply Services: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to award; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes.

Discuss Chapter 221 / Trailer Camps: Clerk explained she received a request from the owner of Mullica Mobile Manor requesting that the trailer pad fees be eliminated and/or reduced (\$2.00 per week). Clerk explained she pays a yearly license fee of \$500.00 and \$4.00 per week per trailer (13 trailers). Committee briefly discussed and requested more information, taxes, etc.

Payment of Bills: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to approve the Bill List; so moved by Mr. Silva with the exception of the payment to Galloway Township seconded by Mr. Riffle. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Riffle, Mr. Silva, exception to Galloway, Mr. Walther, Mayor Brown. Abstain: Ms. Rheault.

Public Discussion: None.

Executive Session: Mayor Brown entertained a motion to enter Executive Session; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: All voted yes. Clerk read Resolution #ES16-17 in full to discuss pending litigation, contract negotiations and to review Executive Session minutes.

Mayor Brown moved to come back to Regular Session at 8:40 PM. Clerk reported in Executive Session the Governing Body reviewed the Executive Session Minutes and discussed contract negotiations.

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Approve Executive Session Minutes: Mayor entertained a motion to approve the minutes of October 24, 2017; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Silva, Mr. Walther, Mayor Brown. Abstain: Mr. Riffle, Ms. Rheault.

Mayor Brown entertained a motion to adjourn; so moved by Mr. Silva seconded by Mr. Walther. RCV: Yeas: Mr. Franklin, Mr. Silva, Mr. Walther, Mayor Brown. Absent: Mr. Riffle.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Johnson, Municipal Clerk

BILL LIST

Al & Rich's Car Wash	200.00	Car Wash Tickets
Atlantic City Electric	5,097.84	4 th Quarter Service
Barrett Asphalt Corporation	284.63	Bituminous Concrete
Casa Payroll Services, LLC	141.30	Payroll Services May-Dec 2017
Dimeglio Septic, Inc.	65.00	May-December Services
Deer Carcass Removal Services	135.00	Deer Removal
John H. Abbot, Inc.	176.00	Post/Rails
G.T.B.M., Inc.	147.25	July-September - E Tickets
Grainger Industrial Supply	269.20	DPW Safety supplies
Cuevello, Tiffany A.	2,145.00	Affordable Housing Plan
Lowe's	39.77	DPW Supplies
Township of Galloway	54,589.07	4 th Quarter Dispatch Services
Civil Solutions, A Division	200.00	Tax Map Updates
The Hammonton Gazette	57.04	Musket Lane Bid/Ord 9
Nehmad Perillo & Davis	2,130.00	September Services
Verizon	56.51	May-December Services
National Law Enforcement Supplies	22.61	Police Evidence Supplies
Security Systems	116.00	Annual License 2017-2018
Pretzel Factory	84.00	Halloween Parade
South Jersey Gas Company	109.51	4 th Quarter Services
South Jersey Energy Service Pl.	4.96	May-December Services
Staples Business Advantage	38.79	File Folders
Eurofins QC	700.00	Well Monitoring
Thanks For Being Green	175.00	Non-CED Transport
Petroleum Traders	4,987.52	3 rd Quarter 2017 Purchases
Val-U Auto Parts	2,912.88	May-December Purchases
Vital Communications, Inc.	1,389.92	Notice of Assessment Cards
Certified Speedometer Service	264.00	Calibrate Vehicles
Marathon Engineering Inc.	4,300.00	Misc. Road Projects / 7 th Ave Svc. Thru 10/8 - Musket Lane Proj.
Lawrow Electric & Plumbing	6.40	Electrical Supply

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CDW Government, Inc.	578.40	Cisco Meraki License
Amazon	28.15	Network Adapter
Atlantic Tactical	1,475.00	Vest: Winkel & Fetske
Atlanticare Physicians Group	910.00	New Employee Physical
Central Jersey Equipment	666.32	John Deere Repairs
Atlantic County Treasurer	728,752.00	4 th Quarter Levy
Comcast	343.20	June-December Services
DeMarco's Landscape	492.50	Irrigation Repairs
Johnson, Kimberly	937.20	Halloween Purchases
Lupinetti, Ann	102.11	Reimbursements
Thompson, John C. Jr.	398.99	Police Chief Conference
Gruccio, Pepper, DeSanto & Ruth	495.00	September Services
Hy-Way Motors, Inc.	2,467.07	October Services
NJ Division of Pension	26.62	Sept. DCRP Contribution
NJ State Health Benefits Fund	73,550.25	Premium - November
Shore Animal Control Services	600.00	November Services

Current Fund 6-01	2,770.00
Current Fund 7-01	886,324.65
Capital Fund C-04	1,530.00
Grant Fund G-02	1,944.37
Trust Fund T-03	398.99
 Total of All Funds	 892,968.01