

TOWNSHIP OF ROBBINSVILLE COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
August 13, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Robbinsville was called to order on August 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Court Facility located in Robbinsville. Mr. Witt, Council President, presided over the meeting.

ROLL CALL

The call of the roll showed the following to be present: Council President Witt, Council Vice President Ciaccio and Council Members Boyne, and McGowan. Council Member Calcagno participated via conference call. Also present were: Chief Financial Officer Bauer, Township Engineer McGough, Acting Business Administrator Colarocco, Constituent Relations Specialist Holt, Recreation Director Barker, Attorney Roselli, and Municipal Clerk Seigfried.

SUNSHINE STATEMENT

The Municipal Clerk read the following statement: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as required under Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, specifying the time and place, with such notices being sent to the Times of Trenton and the Trentonian and being posted on the Municipal Building Public Notice Bulletin Board.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Township Council members present led the public in the salute to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting - June 25, 2015

Ms. Ciaccio offered a motion to approve the above meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Calcagno.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Calcagno, Ciaccio, Witt,

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Boyne, McGowan

There being three (3) ayes, no nays, and two (2) abstentions, the minutes were declared approved.

Regular Meeting - July 9, 2015

Executive Session Meeting – July 23, 2015

Ms. Ciaccio offered a motion to approve the above meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Boyne.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Boyne, Calcagno, Ciaccio, McGowan, Witt,

NAYS:None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the minutes were declared approved.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ms. McGowan said there was an Economic Development meeting last night and they spoke of their objectives for the year. She said they are sponsoring “A Taste of Robbinsville” which will be in Foxmoor next Thursday at 6:00 p.m. She mentioned the participating restaurants and said this event is for the business community. She said there will be forms available at the event for people to vote for businesses of the year. She said the Scavenger Hunt will be in September. She said she would like to speak about Sustainable Jersey. She said Ms. Tozzi worked hard on the resolution, and the Green Team being created is working toward getting points for the certification to obtain grants. She said she sent out a wind ordinance to Council and would like to get that going.

Ms. Ciaccio said last Tuesday was National Night Out and it was a big success. She said the Municipal Alliance for the Prevention of Substance Abuse awarded Ms. Tozzi with a founder’s t-shirt for the fishing derby. She said Joy’s father recently passed away and what we are missing in life is family values. She said the Father’s Day fishing derby is about family values and Joy Tozzi and her father came up with the idea. She thanked Joe Barker for stocking the lake for this event which will be held October 17th. She said it is a catch and release format and you do not need a license. She said it is a great day to be with family and they had 250-300 people in the past. She said Ms. Tozzi’s father came in the past and loved the event. She said the recreation department puts on events to bring families together in Robbinsville and she is proud of that.

Mr. Barker said there would be no fishing derby without Ms. Tozzi’s father.

Ms. McGowan said two weeks ago, One Project did a “Feeding the Hungry” event at the high school and it was incredible. She said they packed 50,000 meals and about 400 people helped who came from all over. She said they had assembly lines to pack and contests to see who can pack the fastest. She said it was nice to see so many people come together.

Mr. Witt reiterated that the scavenger hunt will be held on September 19th and will originate at the Gazebo in Town Center. He said there will be clues and each participating businesses will have things for the scavenger hunt participants. He said last year there were 60 participants and this year we are hoping to get 100. He said we promote events that families can do together. He said this one is free, it helps the businesses in town, and encourages people to support the local businesses.

Mr. Barker said the Boy Scouts are going to have a movie night, but the date is unknown. He said this will be an annual event and they will be having their pack meeting that night. He said the movie will be “Big Hero 6.”

REPORTS OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/MAYOR

Mr. Witt said that Joy Tozzi’s father passed away and his heart goes out to her and her family. He said several council members attended the viewing.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Aanonsen, 160 Richardson Road approached the microphone. Ms. Aanonsen said she would like to clarify something that was discussed at a meeting several weeks ago by her neighbors. She said she received an audio of that meeting and the information that was given to Council was false. She said the video presented at that meeting was from March, 2013. She said her son was riding his motocross bike for the first time just to test it and she took the video. She said he does not ride on the street, on other people's properties or near neighbors' homes and she presented documentation. She said since their son started riding, they had problems with one neighbor who started videotaping him. She said her son was 12 at the time and came in to tell her he was being videotaped, and when she went out, the neighbor screamed profanities and threatened her. She said she sent documentation of that to the Police Department. She said her son was riding in coordination with what was discussed with Lieutenant Bainbridge. She said she was told by the police that he can ride because he was not breaking any laws. She said the neighbor joined with other neighbors to try and put an end to his riding. She said she has the documentation from 2013 saying that he can ride 15 to 20 minutes a day. She said this is a sport, not a hobby, they travel the circuit and her son would like to go professional.

Mr. Witt said when they were here a year ago, Council encouraged the families to try and work something out together. He asked if her son had been riding since then.

Ms. Aanonsen said her son had stopped riding from that day until June 18th of this year when they purchased a pit bike. She said it is a tiny bike that is used for practice. She said her property is on a dead-end and backs up to the golf course and airport with no houses behind them. She said he has two little mounds of dirt that he goes over. She said they would have to actually come to her house to watch him. She said she documented the days, hours and minutes on that pit bike. Mr. Aanonsen explained the difference in size of a racing bike and a pit bike.

Ms. McGowan asked if he only rides on their property. Ms. Aanonsen said yes, they have an acre of land.

Mr. Boyne asked why she had the dates and times documented. Ms. Aanonsen said she has been dealing with her neighbor for three years and she wanted to keep track to show that he does not ride as much as they claim he does.

Mr. Witt asked how much time he rides the pit bike. Ms. Aanonsen said he started on June 19th and ended on July 3rd with a total of three hours and five minutes. She said he wears a helmet and gear when he rides and in the heat, he cannot stay out for an extended period of time. She said she has signatures from neighbors that do not have a problem with her son riding the bike.

Mr. Witt said if you feel threatened, then call the police department.

Ms. Aanonsen said Lieutenant Bainbridge spoke to the neighbor during that time and worked out a time schedule with her. She said they agreed that he would not ride in the morning or from 5:45 p.m. until 6:45 p.m. She said he rode 15 minutes after school starting on the 12th and by the 18th, the neighbor came screaming and taking videos.

Mr. Witt reiterated going to the police department to file a complaint if she feels threatened.

Ms. Aanonsen said in September of 2013, the neighbor threatened to drive her Harley to their home and blow out their windows and in June, 2014, she was in front of her house revving it.

Mr. Witt said that is a police matter.

Mr. Roselli said there is no ordinance that deals with that behavior.

Ms. Aanonsen said this started when her son was 12 and when he rides, the neighbor screams profanities at him. Mr. Aanonsen said the neighbors claim there is bullying involved and their son does not do that. He said they are a good family and instill good parameters in him. He said motocross is his son's life.

Mr. Witt said this is a dispute between neighbors and we are trying to provide you with an avenue you can go to try and satisfy you or take action, however you see fit. He said this is not something we can take action on here.

Ms. Aanonsen said from the beginning, her son was told that he could ride and they were the only people that had an issue with it. She said as of now, he will continue to ride.

Mr. Roselli said there are ordinances dealing with off-street vehicles that they will try to utilize and enforce.

Mr. Witt suggested trying to resolve with each other to come up with times he can ride.

Ms. Julianna Lubbe, 7 South Main Street, Windsor, said she came to a meeting two years ago to get Council's blessing to start her Gold Award. She said her project was preserving the history of Windsor and the railroad tracks. She gave a short history of the railroad tracks and the Camden/Amboy railway. She said for the past few years, she has been working on restoring the history of Windsor and the railroad tracks. She said she had two historic signs restored and designed three pieces of signage. She said she will be having a ribbon cutting ceremony on August 27th before the council meeting, and would like to invite everyone to attend.

Ms. Ciaccio said to contact Mr. Holt about the ribbon cutting.

Ms. Lubbe said this was a big project and thanked Ms. Ciaccio, Ms. Bauer, Mr. Colarocco and public works. She said she knows how busy public works is and they were very responsive.

Mr. Colarocco said Ms. Lubbe was very prepared and well spoken. He congratulated her on her efforts.

There being no one further from the public wishing to speak, Mr. Boyne offered a motion to close the public participation portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. McGowan. There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the public participation portion of the meeting was declared closed.

ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION

Ordinance 2015-21

Ms. McGowan offered a motion to introduce on first reading and have published according to law, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ROBBINSVILLE AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY IN LIEU OF CONDEMNATION AND ACCEPTING DEED OF DEDICATION FROM ROBERT AND MEGAN BUZZETTA," as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Boyne. The public hearing will be held on August 27, 2015.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Boyne, Calcagno, Ciaccio, McGowan, Witt

NAYS: None

The motion carried.

Agenda items 11n, A Resolution creating a Green Team Advisory Committee and 11r, A Resolution Awarding a bid for the New Municipal Building, were postponed.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following resolutions were approved as the consent agenda:

<u>Resolution 2015-202</u>	Authorizing Reduction in Billable Sewer Units-BAPS
<u>Resolution 2015-203</u>	Amending Resolution 2015-198, Releasing Performance Guarantees-JAT Properties
<u>Resolution 2015-204</u>	Amending Resolution 2015-199, Shared Services-Hamilton Sewer Agreement
<u>Resolution 2015-205</u>	Authorizing Special Event Permit-Prestile Place Block Party
<u>Resolution 2015-206</u>	Authorizing Lien for Municipal Charges-2340-2342 Route 33
<u>Resolution 2015-207</u>	Authorizing Lien for Municipal Charges-21 Windswept Dr.
<u>Resolution 2015-209</u>	In Support of Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over
<u>Resolution 2015-210</u>	Chapter 159-Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Grant
<u>Resolution 2015-211</u>	Purchase of Two Construction Vehicles Through State Contract
<u>Resolution 2015-212</u>	Release Cash maintenance Guarantee-Grewel Realty
<u>Resolution 2015-213</u>	Refund of tax Overpayment
<u>Resolution 2015-214</u>	Reallocation of Capital Ordinance Funds
<u>Resolution 2015-215</u>	Amending Resolution 2015-12, Authorizing BA/QPA to Administer Contracts
<u>Resolution 2015-216</u>	Amending Capital Budget-Additional Funding of New Municipal Building
<u>Resolution 2015-217</u>	Emergency Resolution-Additional Funding for New Municipal Building
<u>Resolution 2015-218</u>	Shared Services Agreement with Rutgers for Analysis Report

Ms. Ciaccio offered the above items and moved their adoption. The motion was seconded by Mr. Boyne.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Boyne, Calcagno, Ciaccio, McGowan, Witt

NAYS: None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the resolutions were declared adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2015-208 Opposing the legalization of Non-Medical Marijuana

No motion was made to approve the above resolution, so therefore the resolution failed to be passed.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Current	4-01, 5-01	\$4,553,040.59
Sewer	4-07, 5-07	\$13,868.84
Capital	C-04	\$96,291.65
Grant	G-02	\$36,442.47
Inspections	5-21	\$5,341.50
Plan Review	5-20	\$4,841.12
Performance	P-22	\$39,825.10
Other Trust	T-12	\$32,441.74
Animal Control	T-15	\$723.21
Recreation Trust	T-18	<u>\$45,135.07</u>
Total all funds		\$4,827,951.29

Mr. Boyne offered a motion that all bills found in order and correct be approved for payment. The motion was seconded by Ms. Ciaccio.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Boyne, Calcagno, Ciaccio, McGowan, Witt

NAYS: None

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the bills were declared approved.

SECOND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

There being no one from the public wishing to speak, Ms. Ciaccio offered a motion to close the public participation portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Boyne.

There being five (5) ayes and no nays, the public participation portion of the meeting was declared closed.

Mr. Calcagno left the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Municipal Building – Architect presentation

Mr. Feinberg gave a brief presentation of the new municipal building. He said originally, this site was supposed to be a three-story building but they are using the existing foundation of 10,000 square feet and adding an additional 5,000 square feet and it will be one-story. He said they will be demolishing the stair tower and elevator and 90 percent of the parking lot will remain in place. He said there will be masonry and bullet resistant glass in the building for safety purposes. He described the location of each department and said there will be rear access for employees only.

Mr. Boyne asked if the council chambers could also be used as a court. Mr. Feinberg said it could.

Mr. Feinberg said all the mechanical units will be on the roof and the elevation will be a few feet higher to hide the units and blend in with the Town Center buildings. He explained the materials being used.

Mr. Boyne asked if a second floor could be built at a later date. Mr. Feinberg said it was not designed to have a second floor and to build it as such would be an additional \$400,000.

Ms. McGowan asked about energy efficient materials.

Mr. Feinberg said we are using a seven-zone heating and air-conditioning system and each department has its own HVAC system. He described the high-efficiency lighting being used.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Ron Witt, Council President

Michele Seigfried, Municipal Clerk