

REGULAR MEETING  
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

April 20, 2011

Chairperson Stanzione called to order a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Deerfield, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey, at the Municipal Building, 736 Landis Avenue, Rosenhayn, at 7:00 p.m.

Chairperson Stanzione led the flag salute.

The Clerk was at a Joint Insurance Fund Meeting in Ocean City, and the Deputy Clerk, Cheryl Tramontana, filled in for her.

The Deputy Clerk took roll call and members present included Ms. Musso, Mr. Spatola, Mr. Laurella, Mr. Lauer mann and Mr. Stanzione.

Departmental Reports

The Deputy Clerk presented reports from the Construction Official, Zoning/Housing Officer, Treasurer, Tax Collector and Fire Marshal.

Mr. Lauer mann made a motion, seconded by Ms. Musso, to accept and file the Departmental Reports. The Committee approved.

**2011 MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DEERFIELD**

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #11-101 Authorizing The Municipal Clerk To Read The 2011 Budget By Title Only.

Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Laurella, to adopt Resolution #11-101. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Musso	Yes	Mr. Lauer mann	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Stanzione	Yes
Mr. Laurella	Yes		

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #11-102 Certifying That Requirements For Self-Examination Of The 2011 Municipal Budget Have Been Completed.

Mr. Lauer mann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola, to adopt Resolution #11-102. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Musso	Yes	Mr. Lauer mann	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Stanzione	Yes
Mr. Laurella	Yes		

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Ms. Musso, to open the Public Hearing On The 2011 Municipal Budget. The Committee approved.

There being no comment from the public, Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Ms. Musso to close the Public Hearing On The 2011 Municipal Budget. The Committee approved.

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Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Mr. Laurella, to adopt the 2011 Municipal Budget. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Musso	Yes	Mr. Lauermann	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Stanzone	Yes
Mr. Laurella	Yes		

#### Ordinances

The Deputy Clerk presented Ordinance #2011-4 On Second Reading And Public Hearing Amending Chapter 120 Of The Code Of The Township Of Deerfield With Regard To The Keeping Of Animals And/Or Livestock And The Use And Operation Of Kennels And/Or Animal Hospitals.

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Ms. Musso, to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #2011-4. The Committee approved.

There being no comment from the public, Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Ms. Musso, to close the Public Hearing On Ordinance #2011-4. The Committee approved.

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann, to adopt Ordinance #2011-4 On Second Reading, Public Hearing And Final Adoption. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Musso	Yes	Mr. Lauermann	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Stanzone	Yes
Mr. Laurella	Yes		

The Deputy Clerk presented Ordinance #2011-5 On Second Reading And Public Hearing Amending Chapter 120 Of The Code Of The Township Of Deerfield With Regard To Schedule Of District Regulations.

Ms. Musso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann, to open the Public Hearing On Ordinance #2011-5. The Committee approved.

There being no comment from the public, Ms. Musso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola, to close the Public Hearing On Ordinance #2011-5. The Committee approved.

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann, to adopt Ordinance #2011-5 On Second Reading, Public Hearing And Final Adoption. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Musso	Yes	Mr. Lauermann	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Stanzone	Yes
Mr. Laurella	Yes		

#### Resolutions

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #11-104 Appointing Philip A. Davolos, III, As Municipal Prosecutor To Fill The Unexpired Term Of Robert D. Fischer.

Mr. Laurella stated that the Township has to accept the resignation before making the appointment. Chairperson Stanzone stated that it is from the same firm and they are only changing the individual. Mr. Laurella stated that the Township did not appoint the firm we appointed Mr. Fischer of the firm.

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Solicitor Testa stated that you probably do not appoint the firm and the resolution just reads the individual but Mr. Fischer should of sent in a letter of resignation. Ms. Musso stated that he did and the Committee did get it. Mr. Laurella agreed with Ms. Musso but stated that the Committee never acted on whether the Township Committee accepted his resignation.

Therefore, after a brief discussion, Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Ms. Musso, to accept Mr. Fischer's resignation with regret. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Musso	Yes	Mr. Lauermann	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Stanzione	Yes
Mr. Laurella	Yes		

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann, to adopt Resolution #11-104. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Musso	Yes	Mr. Lauermann	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Stanzione	Yes
Mr. Laurella	Yes		

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #11-105 Approving Release Of Maintenance Bond Posted By Team Reed Landscaping In The Amount Of \$12,362.10.

Mr. Spatola made a motion, seconded by Ms. Musso, to adopt Resolution #11-105. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Musso	Yes	Mr. Lauermann	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Stanzione	Yes
Mr. Laurella	Yes		

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #11-106 Appointing Joan Pierce As Alternate #2 To The Land Use Board.

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Ms. Musso, to adopt Resolution #11-106. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Musso	Yes	Mr. Lauermann	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Stanzione	Yes
Mr. Laurella	Yes		

#### Old Business

Mr. Laurella stated that Saturday evening he went down Maxon Avenue to see if there was any flooding on the road and did not see any which may be because of the field being plowed. He stated that he went out again on Sunday morning before church and again no sign of flooding with no water crossing the road. Mr. Laurella stated that the plowing of the field helped out because we had a lot of rain and Mr. Lauermann had gone out Saturday evening to check also and that is when he called him and told him of his findings. He stated that the Township has turned over more information on this to our law firm to look over and give the Assemblywoman Celeste Riley an answer because he believes that at the meeting that Mr. Lauermann and himself attended they stuck their necks out and made some recommendations but they did not want to hear it.

After a brief discussion, the Committee agreed to give the Solicitor permission to respond to the letter from Assemblywoman Riley.

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Mr. Spatola stated that he has some more information on the Shared Services pertaining to the courts that he was at the other day. He stated that it seems that Upper Deerfield is the one who secured the Shared Service Grant so they are steering all the share services in the Townships and the Counties. He stated that he was informed that it does seem to be taken hold and all the information is being put forth with all the costing analysis, all the numbers of all the costs for all the different townships and there are a lot of townships involved that really looking into this now. Ms. Musso stated that all the Townships are involved except Greenwich and Pittsgrove Township in Salem County just asked if they can be involved and gave the information that was needed.

Ms. Musso stated that there is another Shared Service Meeting scheduled for Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. at the Upper Deerfield Senior Center so she would like to ask our Clerk/Administrator to attend again so she can take notes. She stated that she would be there and if Mr. Spatola can go that would be great, if not if anyone else would like to attend let her know so she could inform Anthony Stanzione who would be attending.

Ms. Musso stated that the Easter Egg Hunt was a success and everybody was there from the Committee. She stated that even though the weather was chilly the kids seemed excited and it was a great turnout.

Chairperson Stanzione stated that the Rosenhayn Fire and Rescue have been billing for a little over two (2) weeks for their calls and they have been working hard at it.

#### New Business

The Deputy Clerk presented An Application For A Raffle License For The Deerfield Township PTO An On Premises Raffle On May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

Ms. Musso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola, to Approve The Application For A Raffle License For The Deerfield Township PTO An On Premises Raffle On May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Musso	Yes	Mr. Lauermann	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Stanzione	Yes
Mr. Laurella	Yes		

#### Communications

The Deputy Clerk stated that there were no communications this evening.

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #11-17 For The Payment Of Bills.

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola, to adopt Resolution #11-17. Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Musso	Yes	Mr. Lauermann	Yes
Mr. Spatola	Yes	Chairperson Stanzione	Yes
Mr. Laurella	Yes		

Ms. Musso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola, to open the meeting to the public. The Committee approved.

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John Barbagello, Deerfield Township Emergency Management Coordinator, stated that there is going to be an LEPC Meeting in the Senior Center on Thursday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and would appreciate it if there were two (2) or three (3) Township Committee Members attending this meeting because he feels that there should be some input from the Committee. He stated that they are working on a local plan for 2012 and they were informed that we are going to be getting a lot of bad hurricanes and tornadoes in to this area and he will be having a meeting in the Senior Center with the seniors informing them what they need to do in case of a storm. Mr. Barbagello stated that the Center needs to be prepared if bad weather were to occur whether they were in the Center or not.

There being no other comment from the public, Ms. Musso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spatola, to close the meeting to the public. The Committee approved.

Before adjourning, Mr. Laurella stated that there is one thing that the Committee is going to have to do sometime during closed session and that is there are some salaries out there that are a little high for what they are getting in return from the individuals. Chairperson Stanzione and himself had talked about this issue previously and this is something that needs to be taken care of with the full Committee. He also stated that the Committee was still waiting for reports from some departments and no one is excused. Mr. Laurella stated that they do not need to be typed or in book form but every month the Committee should be receiving a report from each department.

There being no other business to come before the Committee, Ms. Musso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Laueremann, to adjourn the meeting. The Committee approved.

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John Stanzione, Chairperson  
Township of Deerfield

ATTEST:

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Cheryl Tramontana, Deputy Clerk  
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