

REGULAR MEETING
TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

May 19, 2010

Chairperson Spatola 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 Spatola led the flag salute.

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

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

2010 Municipal Budget

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #10-105 Authorizing The Chief Financial Officer To Conduct The Annual Budget Examination Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 40A:-4-78b.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Laurella, to adopt Resolution #10-105. Roll Call Vote:

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

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #10-106 Authorizing The Municipal Clerk To Read The 2010 Budget By Title Only.

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Ms. Musso, to adopt Resolution #10-106. Roll Call Vote:

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

Ms. Musso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stanzione, to open the meeting to the public on the 2010 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 2010 Municipal Budget. The Committee approved.

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #10-107 To Adopt The 2010 Municipal Budget.

Before making the first motion, Mr. Laurella stated that he would like to thank the Township Committee for working hard like they have been doing to save money every year on the budget. He stated that like the Mayor had stated at the last meeting, this Township Committee has not taken an increase in salary for the second year and have worked hard to watch the way it is spent and take what interest is given and apply it to the budget the following year.

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Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Ms. Musso, to adopt Resolution #10-107. Roll Call Vote:

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

Resolutions

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #10-108 A Resolution Of The Township Of Deerfield Committee Certifying The Sum Of \$2,490,521.00 To The Cumberland County Board Of Taxation As The Base Budget To Be Raised By Local Tax Levy In The Township Of Deerfield.

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stanzione, to adopt Resolution #10-108. Roll Call Vote:

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

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #10-109 A Resolution Of The Township Committee Certifying The Sum Of \$899,411.87 To Be Raised By Local Tax Levy For The Cumberland County Regional School District.

Mr. Laurella stated that the Mayor and himself attended a meeting last Thursday pertaining to this and he stated that he felt the whole Committee from all seven (7) districts should be involved but it was not done that way but was pleased the way it worked out after everyone had a chance to voice their opinion from different Townships.

Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann, to adopt Resolution #10-109. Roll Call Vote:

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

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #10-110 Certifying The Salaries Of Certain Municipal Employees.

Ms. Musso made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann, to adopt Resolution #10-110. Roll Call Vote:

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

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Old Business

Mr. Laurella stated that he went down Maxon Avenue on Saturday Morning around 8:40 a.m. to see if there was any flooding that went across the road and there was not. He stated that the water hit part of the road on the center of one lane but there was no water that reached the center and the Township's Engineer had went down there on Sunday and did not find anything else besides what he had found the day before. Mr. Laurella stated that our area has had a lot of rain since Friday evening and the water has to go somewhere, some on the roads and some in the basement of homes that had dried up from the previous storm.

Mr. Stanzione stated that the Recreation Department is moving along smooth and they are getting ready to put up the fence at the park. He stated that the Fire Company is also moving along smoothly but they are still looking into purchasing an ambulance in the near future because the department does need to replace one of them as soon as we can.

Ms. Musso stated that she wanted to remind everyone about the luncheon for the seniors' tomorrow in their Center and today was the third week that they had their treat. She stated that Mr. Laurella had brought fruit for them last week and this week they had the Pretzel Factory that was donated by the Upper Deerfield store.

Ms. Musso stated that the Recreation Committee will be doing Youth Week on June 2nd, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. and she will be going to the school to meet with the Teacher and the students who were selected to be on the Recreation Committee and Township Committee which is with the Mayor and the Clerk and then actually do the Government Body up on the podium here for their family which is when they do the essay and poster contest also.

Mr. Lauermann stated that he received a call from a State Trooper that they have been working with in regards to the speeding problems in the Township and he informed him that the radar trailer is no longer going to be available for them for the next couple of months. He stated that they have another area that it needs to go to and they share it between the barracks so he will reach out to the County to see if the one that was being repaired is repaired and have them place it on the couple of roads that the Township still has problems on.

Mr. Laurella stated that a contract has been awarded for Lebanon Road. He stated that there was a meeting of all people involved with this last Friday at the Courthouse and hopefully in a couple of weeks it will be done and then he knows there will be a speedway going down Lebanon Road.

New Business

Chairperson Spatola stated that he would like to start by saying that our Committee has done a great job to look into this by being aggressive to pursue this matter on Maxon Avenue. He stated that Mr. Laurella had met with Mr. Boyer and five or six other parties involved in this matter that was about a month ago before our last meeting and after their meeting Mr. Boyer stated that he was going to prepare a report. He stated that he did and the Committee had sent out invitations to all parties involved in this matter to be at our meeting on June 2nd, 2010, at which time everyone would have the time and opportunity to voice their opinions and the Committee is going to have information that everyone has had time to look over along with the Engineer.

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He stated that as soon as the Township Committee received this information they set this in motion to discuss on the 2nd of June to be dealt with in a good fashion and bring this to a conclusion.

Communications

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

The Deputy Clerk presented Resolution #10-111 For Payment Of Bills.

Mr. Laurella made a motion, seconded by Ms. Musso, to adopt Resolution #10-111. Roll Call Vote:

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

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

John Barbagello, Emergency Management Director, came before the Committee to let the Committee know that he has been contacting our Mayor and Mr. Lauermann pertaining to FEMA. He stated that they are out inspecting everywhere and stopped at a few places himself and Jim Manski is with them along with our Deputy Coordinator for Cumberland County. He stated that he asked them if they needed any help and they stated they were in good shape. He stated that the forms are at the County 911 Center and the sign out front states the information also.

Chairperson Spatola stated to Mr. Barbagello that the Committee does appreciate him keeping them informed and doing a very good job of it since it started.

Mr. Lauermann also wanted to thank Mr. Barbagello for the great job he is doing and he has had some residents say that they had appreciated him going around and checking on them and giving them any information they needed. He also stated that he would like to say thank you to the gentleman in the public who had given out information to the Township pertaining to the flooding and how FEMA was participating in this matter.

There being no further comment from the public, Mr. Stanzione made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lauermann, to close the meeting to the public. The Committee approved.

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

Frank R. Spatola, Chairperson
Township of Deerfield

Cheryl Tramontana, Deputy Clerk
Township of Deerfield