

JUNE 11, 2008

The South Harrison Township Committee held a finance and regular meeting on Wednesday, May 9, 2008 at 7:00 and 7:30 p.m. in the South Harrison Township Municipal Building.

Mayor Charles T. Tyson called the meeting to order and was followed by the flag salute.

Requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were met. Notice of this meeting was given by: (1) sending sufficient notice herewith to the Today's Sunbeam of Salem and the Gloucester County Times of Woodbury; and (2) posting notice on the public bulletin board at the South Harrison Township Municipal Building.

Roll Call: James McCall - present, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson - present, Robert Campbell – present, Gary Spinner – present, Christie Melfi, Chief Finance Officer - present, John Eastlack, Solicitor - present, Steve Bach, Engineer – present, Colleen Bianco, Administrator – present, Henry Ludwigen, Auditor – present, Nancy Kearns, Municipal Clerk – present, Celeste Keen, Deputy Clerk – present, Celeste Keen, Deputy Clerk - present (L).

Minutes:

Motion to approve the regular session minute of January 30 and March 12, 2008 with noted corrections was made by Robert Campbell, second by Gary Spinner.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.: 4 – yes, 0 – no's.** Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Police Department – May 2008 Report
Construction Code Official – May 2008 Report

Tax Collector's Report: Taxes collected for the month of May were \$1,286,713.64.

Treasurer's Report: no additions.

Old Business: **Ordinance – O-08-07-A1**
Amendment No. 1 To An Ordinance Fixing The Salaries of Certain Officers And Employees of The Township of South Harrison

Public hearing and final adoption.

Open Meeting to the Public:

Motion to open the meeting to the public on this ordinance O-08-07-A1 only was made by James McCall, second by Gary Spinner. Motion carried.

No questions or comments were received from the public.

Close Meeting to the Public:

Motion to close the meeting to the public on Ordinance O-08-07-A1 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-07-A1 was made by Gary Spinner, second by James McCall.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.: 4 – yes, 0 – no's.** Motion carried.

Resolution R-08-65

Resolution Denying Reduction in Performance Bond of Robert J. Pacilli Homes, LLC Regarding South Harrison Self Storage

Motion to cancel Resolution R-08-65 was made by James McCall, second by Gary Spinner.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes, 0 – no's. Motion carried.

Mayor Tyson reported on the meeting held on May 22 with the DOT and DCA re: SH 45 and CR 538. The project is moving forward and a basin will be installed at the corner of SR 45 and Mullica Hill Rd (CR 617) in conjunction with the road work. The detour during the reconstruction work will last approximately one (1) month.

New Business:

PBA Contract

Motion to approve and sign the PBA Contract was made by James McCall, second by Robert Campbell.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes, 0 – no's. Motion carried.

Resolution R-08-69

Resolution of the Township Committee of the Township of South Harrison Accepting and Adopting the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund – Loss Control Program

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-69 was made by James McCall, second by Gary Spinner.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes, 0 – no's. Motion carried.

Resolution R-08-70

Resolution for Excluding the Public (Personnel)

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-70 was made by Robert Campbell, second by Gary Spinner.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes, 0 – no's. Motion carried.

Resolution R-08-71

Resolution of the Township Committee of the Township of South Harrison Authorizing the 2008 Municipal Budget to be Read by Title Only

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-71 was made by Gary Spinner, second by James McCall.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes, 0 – no's. Motion carried.

Resolution R-08-72

Resolution Authorizing the Township Engineer to Make Application to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for Funding

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-72 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes, 0 – no's. Motion carried.

Ordinance O-08-08

Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison Amending the Code of the Township of South Harrison to Add Chapter 104 Entitled "Noise" to Regulate Noise Within the Township of South Harrison

Introduction and First Reading.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-08 on first reading was James McCall, second by Gary Spinner.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes', 0 – no's. Motion carried.

Public hearing set for July 9, 2008 at 7:30 pm.

Ordinance O-08-09

Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison Amending the Code of the Township of South Harrison to Amend Chapter 140 Entitled "Vehicles – Off-Road"

Introduction and First Reading.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-09 on first reading was Gary Spinner, second by James McCall.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes', 0 – no's. Motion carried.

Public hearing set for July 9, 2008 at 7:30 pm.

Ordinance O-08-10

Ordinance Permitting Charitable Organizations to Solicit Contributions in the Roadways Situated in the Township of South Harrison

Ordinance O-08-11

Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison Amending Chapter 90, the Land Use and Development Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison

Ordinance O-08-12

Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison Amending Chapter 90, the Land Use and Development Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison

Ordinance O-08-13

Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison Amending Chapter 90, the Land Use and Development Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison

Ordinance O-08-14

Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison Amending Chapter 90, The Land Use and Development Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison

Motion to table Ordinances O-08-10, O-08-11, O-08-12, O-08-13, and O-08-14 was made by Gary Spinner, second by James McCall. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes', 0 – no's. Motion carried.

Resolution R-08-73

Resolution of the Township Committee of South Harrison Opposing the Council of Affordable Housing (COAH) Third Round Requirements and Assembly Bill A-500 and Senate Bill S-1783

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-73 was made by James McCall, second by Robert Campbell.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes', 0 – no's. Motion carried.

Open Meeting to the Public:

Motion to open the meeting to the public was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell. Motion carried.

Marc Nagtegaal stated that the inaction of the Committee on certain ordinances on the agenda tonight could have dire consequences in the near future because of developments that are on the horizon. There are time limits on applications and this could mean the difference between 10 homes or 3 homes. Mr. Nagtegaal was advised that the ordinances will be introduced at the next meeting and will not be held until the regular July meeting. Mr. Nagtegaal further stated the noise ordinance is against the farming ordinance. It was explained to Mr. Nagtegaal that the noise ordinance has exceptions in it, to allow for events in the Township.

Anne Marie Bitman addressed the Committee stating she lives in Woolwich and is a Kingsway employee and is here to thank you for supporting the cafeteria workers.

Jack Fitzpatrick, 911 Monroeville Road stated when the majority voted down the school budget and you paid \$2,500.00 for someone to analyze the budget and his recommendation was to cut \$252,000.00 and you only cut \$40,000.00 why? Committee Spinner responded advising that a major piece of the recommendation had to do with benefits, \$118,000.00 in health care under contract. Jack Fitzpatrick stated the School enrollment is 247 fewer students than they anticipated. We build 547 additional homes in 30 years and the enrollment only went up 50.

Robert Bowman of the Harrisonville Fire Company wants to find out about a time line for Ordinance O-08-10 for coin drops. This ordinance will be introduced next week and the public hearing and adoption is scheduled for the July 9th meeting. Mr. Bowman stated they could then probably do it Labor Day. Mr. Bowman asked about the budget. Mr. Bowman was advised that \$25,000.00 was put in the Township Budget for the Harrisonville Fire Company.

Dave Hibbard of Susquehanna Bank addressed the Committee expressing his disappointment over the Township's recent decision to change banks. Mr. Hibbard stated he is not questioning the Township's right to change banks, but the manner in which Susquehanna was turned away after more than 10 years of service to the Township. Mr. Hibbard found out by way of one of his courier staff, he did not even receive phone call or letter. There were more than a few years when Susquehanna was the only bank to bid on Bond Anticipation Notes. Susquehanna did not charge the Township any fees and paid a rate better than the state fund. After more than 10 years of working together Mr. Hibbard would have hoped for at least a chance to compete to keep the relationship and continue serving South Harrison. At the very least had a request for proposal been generated, you could have been certain that you were in fact making the right move financially, regardless of which bank won. Mr. Hibbard stated Susquehanna will miss working with the South Harrison Township and will work with South Harrison to close the accounts as you see fit.

Theresa Roeder Chair of the Recreation Commission reported that the Anniversary Picnic was a success. There were approximately 125 residences in attendance and Jon and Mike from Public Works did an awesome job. Ms. Roeder further advised that she is working on the October Community Day event reporting that there will be a number of vendors for the event.

Nancy Kearns, Municipal Clerk retired from the meeting and Deputy Clerk Celeste Keen assumed the chair.

John Campbell, 15 Raccoon Creek Court asked about Ordinances 10 through 14 being tabled and when will they be discussed. The Committee reviewed their schedules and the date will be announced tomorrow. Committee Spinner advised it would be the first reading and the public hearing would be at the regular July meeting.

Joe Calabro, 374 Lincoln Mill Road spoke about the impact fees and that they should be received at the time of final approval and not at the time of permits being issued. This is being looked into. Committeeman Spinner advised that it will be on the agenda for next month. Mr. Calabro asked about the sample ballots being incorrect. Mr. Calabro was advised that the sample ballots have been corrected.

Marc Nagtegaal addressed the Committee regarding the basin issues and that there are code violations and nothing has been done. Mr. Eastlack advised that the Code Official is to be citing the basin owners.

Theresa Roeder stated as a basin owner she is not receiving any favors and before you go and cite people you should inform them of their responsibilities and give them a chance to correct the problem.

Rob Schenk of 105 Antelope Drive spoke about the ordinances that were tabled until next week. One of which has omissions and hopefully can be changed before next week, and there is no reason to adopt in piecemeal fashion. In addition there are two elements that are important to him. The conservation design element and the residents design standards which he hopes will be incorporated in the ordinance. Mr. Schenk was advised that all of the ordinances have not been completed and are being worked on but two days did not leave enough time to complete all of the ordinances by tonight. Mr. Schenk further stated he feels the Economic Development Committee is going to be more influential than having a community commercial zone.

Close Meeting to the Public:

Motion to close the meeting to the public was made by James McCall, second by Gary Spinner. Motion carried.

Henry Ludwigsen advised the Committee as to the changes in the CAP calculations set by the State which means another \$41,800.00 in revenue. The Committee discussed the new information with Mr. Ludwigsen and will further review the expenses and personnel costs along with revenue at the next budget meeting. The state is going to force the Township to use the surplus to bring down taxes. Possible meeting date of Tuesday June 17th.

Return to Open Session:

Motion to return to open session was made by Gary Spinner, second by James McCall. Motion carried.

Approve Payment of Bills:

Motion to approve payment of the bills was made by Robert Campbell, second by Gary Spinner.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall – yes, Cornelius McIntyre – absent, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 4 – yes', 0 – no's. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Kearns, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Celeste Keen,
Deputy Clerk