

JULY 9, 2008

The South Harrison Township Committee held a finance and regular meeting on Wednesday, July 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 - absent, Cornelius McIntyre – present, Charles Tyson - present, Robert Campbell – present, Gary Spinner – present, John Eastlack, Solicitor - present, Richard Fini, Engineer – present, Leah Furey, Planner – present, Colleen Binnick, Administrator – present, Nancy Kearns, Municipal Clerk - present.

Tom Colavecchio, Tax Assessor addressed the Committee reporting on the progress of the Tax Map Project and the status of the Re-valuation. The order to do the re-valuation was received on May 9, 2008. RFP was drawn up and sent to 5 South Jersey Companies and advertised on the League of Municipalities website. The only one received was from a North Jersey Company who was not done any re-valuations in Gloucester County. Tom gave the Committee an analysis which is his cost to do the re-assessment in-house. Tom has to manage the project, so he has the same amount of responsibilities either way. Tom's estimate is \$125,000.00 the RFP received was \$137,000.00. If it is decided to do the project in-house it will need to file an application with the County Board of Taxation. The next meeting is August 12th and he could go in there and submit the package with the required forms. The soonest we would get the okay would be September. The original time was to do this in 2008 and implement in 2009, Tom will be asking for an extension to be implemented in 2010. Either way the extension is needed. Deputy Mayor Campbell asked why this wasn't ready to be done in January and/or February, why isn't this being worked on? Mr. Colavecchio stated it is being worked on, we are moving forward, the RFP's went out before we got the order to do the re-valuation, we are asking the state to give approval of the existing maps with the revisions made by Remington & Vernick which allows us to do field work before the other maps are completed.

Resolution R-08-87A

Resolution of the Township of South Harrison Appointing Thomas Colavecchio to Complete a Total Re-Assessment of the Township of South Harrison

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-87A was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell.

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

Committee Reports:

Police Department – June 2008 Report

Chief Mabey updated the Committee advising with the expanded coverage schedule is working out very well. Chief Mabey reported that motor vehicles crashes have been cut in more than half over the same time period from last year. Criminal arrests have more than doubled. False alarms for this year are 56, last year at this time over 70. And, there have only been 2 calls to the State Police in the last month.

Construction Code Official – June 2008 Report
Engineering – June 2008 Report

Tax Collector's Report: Taxes collected for the month of June were \$92,036.29.

Treasurer's Report: No additions.

Old Business: **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

Public hearing and final adoption

Open Meeting to the Public:

Motion to open the meeting to the public on this ordinance only was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre. Motion carried.

Ron Ambruster, 448 Lincoln Mill Road asked for clarification on the noise ordinance under 104.3 and the right to farm act. The Farmland Preservation allows for entertainment farming and is asking to be included in the ordinance as being exempt. Mr. Eastlack advised that you cannot put individual names in an ordinance and his activity is exempt under the noise ordinance.

Lester Shoemaker Jr. asked if there really was a need for a noise ordinance. Mr. Eastlack explained the need for this to be addressed. Mr. Shoemaker asked about irrigation pumps for farming and was advised that that issue would fall under the right to farm act.

Close Meeting to the Public:

Motion to close the meeting to the public on this ordinance was Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-08 was made by Robert Campbell, second by Gary Spinner.

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

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"

Public hearing and final adoption

Open Meeting to the Public:

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

Matt Warner asked under section H what does reserve mean. Mr. Eastlack responded stating that if the Township would want to amend it later that letter would be used for the amendment. Mr. Warner asked about the letter being from the owner and not the tenant. Mr. Eastlack stated it reads owner or occupant.

Joe Marino asked for the ordinance to be explained as he does not have a copy. Mr. Eastlack responded that the ordinance is aimed at off-road vehicles being driven on other persons' property without permission.

Close Meeting to the Public:

Motion to close the meeting to the public on this ordinance was Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-09 was made by Robert Campbell, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Ordinance O-08-10

Ordinance Permitting Charitable Organizations to Solicit Contributions in the Roadways Situated in 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 only was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre. Motion carried.

Theresa Roeder asked if this is for South Harrison Organizations only. Mr. Eastlack advised this is used mostly for Fire Companies and the Organization has to be registered with the State as a non profitable organization.

Close Meeting to the Public:

Motion to close the meeting to the public on this ordinance was Cornelius McIntyre, second by Robert Campbell. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-10 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell.

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

Letter from the Planning/Zoning Board finding Ordinances O-08-11, O-08-12, O-08-13, O-08-14, O-08-15, O-08-16, O-08-17 and O-08-18 consistent with, posing no conflict with and substantiating the 2008 adopted re-examination of the Township Master Plan and recommending and requesting the adoption of O-08-13 as presented.

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-08-14

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

Ordinance O-08-15

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

Ordinance O-08-16

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

Ordinance O-08-17

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

Ordinance O-08-18

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

Open Meeting to the Public:

Motion to open the meeting to the public on Ordinances O-08-11, O-08-12, O-08-14, O-08-15, O-08-16, O-08-17 and O-08-18 only was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre. Motion carried.

Janice Huggins, 22 Lincoln Mill Road asked why there could not be a compromise of two (2) acres per lot, instead of going to three (3) acre lots. This effects farmland assessment, farmland preservation and the value of the land. Leah Furey responded that the issue was discussed, but the Board wanted to keep it at three (3) acres.

Marc Nagtegaal, Planning/Zoning Board stated the Board when researching this found that the County and State Ag Boards have a problem with farmland preservation money, because of the State Budget. The requirements for farmland preservation have changed, the Board was told by people at the county level that there won't be the kinds of money available as in past years. With the three (3) acre size lots there will be clustering to help preserve open space.

Joe Marino stated farmland preservation will target towns with large continuous blocks of preserved land which makes South Harrison attractive for continuous preservation. Three (3) acres negatively affects people who bought seven to eight (7 to 8) acres thinking they could build a house, do a little nursery or road stand, because they qualified for farmland assessment. They will not be able to subdivide either; you are going to affect a lot of small acreage properties that were not going to impact the Township negatively anyway. Open space, who owns it, what do you do with it, no one pays taxes on it, clustering will be more attractive, because they only have to pay taxes on an acre and a half and make open space that is not used or taxes being paid on. If you are going to do three (3) acres then make it three (3) acres, do not do clustering. Mr. Marino suggested the Township should look at spot zoning, which would make more sense. The Township should try to help farmland preservation. East Greenwich is kicking in 15% on top of the assessed farmland preservation value to entice people to go into the program that is an investment in your future. Farming is the best ratable any township will ever have.

Matt Warner stated what are the taxes on a hundred (100) acres of farmland, \$2,000.00, one (1) acre \$14,000.00. Committeeman McIntyre stated on both sides we need to be respectful and felt the Board should look at two (2) acres. Wants to see the Township stay rural, open space is your best ratable, farming limits the number of houses.

Leah Shoemaker Jr. stated when Neil and Bob ran for office I asked about down zoning. If you go to three (3) acre lots you are down zoning. If you take our corner from commercial to residential you are down zoning us. When you change the property from commercial to residential you make it worth less when you put it in farmland preservation. Leah Furey stated some time ago your property was commercial but has been agriculture/residential for some time.

Leah Furey stated the Master Plan was not just about the taxes, preserving open space, it was about a lot of facts and tried to make it acceptable for all, no one wants to strip the farmers of their equity. Studies have come out both ways. What we are trying to do is subvert the reckless, unplanned conversion of farmland into consumptive large, medium lot subdivision. When land is converted that it is in a more attractive manner, adds value and less impact on the environment. Open space is owned by the homeowners association and is maintained by the association.

Benny Sorbello asked what the zoning is going to be on his land. Mayor Tyson stated it will stay light industrial.

Joe Marino asked who pays the taxes on the open space. Mr. Eastlack responded that the homeowners association pays the taxes. Committeeman Spinner stated that in Woolwich the open space was deeded to the Township, in South Harrison the open space is to be owned by the homeowners associations. Leah Furey explains if you have a hundred acres and you do the conservation subdivision design and there is a stream corridor, you are basically preserving a green way along the stream corridor, and it is not going to be farmed, then the homeowners association owns the land and pay taxes the same as if it was your back yard. If there is farmable land and it is still farmed that the taxes would be at the farmland assessment rate. Farmland assessment remains the same in relationship to the acreage. Leah Furey also advised that the Township has not received the \$40,000.00 farmland grant yet.

Benny Sorbello asked what does the Township gain with three (3) acre lots, how is going to maintain it, will the open space just become trees and have old junk cars in it and all that. Mr. Sorbello stated we have five (5) independent by him and it is all trashed up. Mr. Eastlack stated that Property Ordinances and homeowners associations to require that homeowners maintain their property.

Theresa Roeder stated her development has a homeowners association and the common ground is managed by the homeowners association and owned by the association and pays the taxes on it.

Ron Ambruster asked if there are provisions in the Master Plan to ensure that Homeowner Associations are held accountable for maintenance. Mr. Ambruster stated that the Township is currently incurring expenses by maintaining one Association at this time.

Benny Sorbello stated with three (3) acres the banks will not lend you as much money. Marc Nagtegaal stated that there are a lot of things banks look at, like how much money the farm has made in prior years. Mr. Nagtegaal was told that that is part of the equation, but you still get the money based on your equity, you could be the best farmer in the world and still go broke from Mother Nature and not be able to pay your bills. If you want collateral to back that loan up, they are not going to loan you the money. That shows you're responsible, it's the collateral that the banks want.

Colleen Campbell asked is there any benefit to the township with the three (3) acres or is it just to slow growth. Leah Furey replied that the township does not get something per say in exchange. The Township's around South Harrison have a lower density then we do, so it puts a bull's eye on South Harrison for developers. Developers came here because of the one (1) acre zoning. The Board's idea is to hold the line and set the path for the future.

Mayor Tyson stated the school is getting bigger and is asking for more money and we are paying a lot of money for taxes for the school.

Committeeman McIntyre stated the bottom line is the property tax problem in New Jersey and it is not going to be fixed until New Jersey changes the way it funds public schools.

Lester Shoemaker Jr. asked if there is any ground zoned for COAH housing, to meet our COAH requirements. Leah Furey responded that there is not any at this time, but the Township must have this by the end of the year. The Township did have a plan that was finished in 2006 and filed with COAH, but the COAH has changed the rules again.

Close Meeting to the Public:

Motion to close the meeting to the public on ordinances O-08-11, O-08-12, O-08-14, O-08-15, O-08-16, O-08-17 and O-08-18 was made by Robert Campbell, second by Gary Spinner. Motion carried.

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-11 was made by Robert Campbell, second by Gary Spinner.

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

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-12 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell.

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

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 adopt Ordinance O-08-14 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell.

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

Ordinance O-08-15

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-15 was made by Robert Campbell, second by Gary Spinner.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - absent, Cornelius McIntyre - no, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.: 3 - yes', 1 - no's. Motion carried.**

Ordinance O-08-16

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-16 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell.

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

Ordinance O-08-17

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-17 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell.

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

Ordinance O-08-18

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

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-18 was made by Robert Campbell, second by Gary Spinner.

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

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

Introduction and First Reading

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-13 on first reading was made by Robert Campbell, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Public hearing set for August 13, 2008 at 7:30 pm.

New Business:

Ordinance O-08-19

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance O-08-15 “Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison Amending Chapter 90, The Land Use and Development Ordinance of the Township of South Harrison

Introduction and First Reading.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-19 on first reading was made by Robert Campbell, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Public hearing set for August 13, 2008 at 7:30 pm.

Ordinance O-08-20

An Ordinance Appropriating the Sum of \$6,000.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the Updating of the Code of the Township of South Harrison

Introduction and First Reading.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-20 on first reading was made by Robert Campbell, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Public hearing set for August 13, 2008 at 7:30 pm.

Ordinance O-08-22

Ordinance of the Township Of South Harrison Amending Chapter 136 “Vehicles and Traffic” of the Code of the Township of South Harrison

Introduction and First Reading.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-22 on first reading was made by Robert Campbell, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Public hearing set for August 13, 2008 at 7:30 pm.

Resolution R-08-75

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

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-75 as amended with the addition that the CFO is not to release said reduction until such time as the escrow account is replenished in accordance with the Township Ordinances was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Resolution R-08-76

Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of Tax Overpayments or Delinquent Amounts Less Than \$1.00

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-76 was made by Robert Campbell, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Resolution R-08-77

Resolution Authorizing a Change Fund for the Construction Code Official of the Township of South Harrison

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-77 was made by Robert Campbell, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Resolution R-08-78

Resolution Appointing Fire Sub-Code Official of the Township of South Harrison, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey for the Term Specified

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-78 was made by Robert Campbell, second by Gary Spinner.

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

Resolution R-08-79

Resolution of the Township Committee of the Township of South Harrison Authorizing Thomas Colavecchio and Janet Barton to Work on the Digital GIS Mapping Project for the Township of South Harrison

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-79 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell.

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

Resolution R-08-80

Resolution Authorizing the Township of South Harrison to Submit an Application for Funding of the South Harrison Township Municipal Alliance Project for the Year 2009

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-80 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Resolution R-08-81

Resolution for Excluding the Public (Personnel Matters)

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-81 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Resolution R-08-82

Resolution of the Township Committee of the Township of South Harrison Setting Forth The Procedure Regarding The Pay Scale Step Schedule In The PBA Contract

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-82 was made by Robert Campbell, second by Gary Spinner.

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

Resolution R-08-83

Resolution of the Township of South Harrison Authorizing South Harrison Township to Enter into an Interlocal Services Agreement for Landscape Design Services with the County of Gloucester

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-83 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Resolution R-08-84

Resolution of The Township Committee of the Township of South Harrison Supporting the Over The Limit Under Arrest 2008 Statewide Crackdown

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-84 was made by Cornelius McIntyre, second by Robert Campbell.

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

Resolution R-08-85

Resolution for Renewal of Membership in the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-85 was made by Cornelius McIntyre, second by Gary Spinner.

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

Resolution R-08-86

Resolution Naming the Contact Person for the Employment Practices Liability Attorney Consultation Service for the Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland Counties Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

Motion to adopt Resolution R-08-86 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Ordinance O-08-21

An Ordinance Appropriating the Sum of \$828.99 from the Capital Improvement Fund for purchase of a Quantum DAT 72 External Drive and Adaptec 29160 Ultra 160 Controller for back-up of the Township Server

Introduction and First Reading.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-08-21 on first reading was made by Robert Campbell, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

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

Public hearing set for August 13, 2008 at 7:30 pm.

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 he has 5 minutes, when you answer questions it is on your time. Mr. Nagtegaal inquired as to who will do the computer back up when Ms. Bianco is not in the building. Ms. Bianco stated she would be designating a person to do the back up tape. Mr. Nagtegaal stated that he had to interrupt his meeting for paper work and why is there no one else qualified to sit at the window. Mr. Nagtegaal stated he has not seen any improvements to the web site. Committeeman McIntyre attempted to answer. Committeeman Spinner stated tonight's agenda is on the web site and we are getting caught up on the minutes. Mr. Nagtegaal stated the fees a resident was charged for a lot line adjustment were outrageous and this needs to be addressed. Mr. Nagtegaal then asked about the value and number of grants the administrator has gotten. Ms Bianco gave him an updated report stating four (4) grants have been received and listed a number of others that have been submitted or are being worked on. Mr. Nagtegaal stated that if Steve Bach has been given the job of the digital mapping it would be done by now. Mr. Nagtegaal stated he would like to see the window get coverage eight (8) hours a day, five days a week.

Discussion regarding the web site and minutes being posted resulted in a decision to get the 2006 minutes posted to the site.

Theresa Roeder and Sarah Freeman updated the Committee on the progress with the Fall Festival/Community Day and have selected Amazing Amusements along with other vendors for the entertainment and Schaefer Pyrotechnics for the fireworks.

Rich Mishura of Raccoon Creek Court thanked the Committee for their help and reported on the progress involving the easement on his property. The drainage issue is still on going and Mr. Mishura feels an inlet might help resolve this issue. Mr. Mishura's attorney has sent several letters to the developer, but has not gotten a response. Mr. Eastlack advised that he can not give Mr. Mishura legal advice and suggested he talk with his attorney regarding a time frame and home warranty issues.

Matthew Warner, 34 Ashford Court stated he did not receive a newsletter. Mr. Warner asked about the budget. Mr. Warner was advised that the budget has already been adopted and the public hearing is scheduled for July 23, 2008. Copies of the budget are free the week preceding the hearing.

Sarah Freeman 781 Eldridges Hill Road spoke about the fees for lot line adjustments. It is absurd what doing this will cost. Ms. Freeman asked about the dam on Lake Street. Ms. Bianco advised that the Township has not gotten any updates since May, but expects we will be hearing something any day now, because they have moved things out there. Ms. Bianco will keep Sarah posted. Mr. Eastlack responded to the fee issue explaining the steps are the same regardless of the applicant.

Ben Freeman 781 Eldridges Hill Road asked if the application is not approved does he lose the fees paid. Mr. Freeman was told yes, Mr. Eastlack stated the plan application was still reviewed. The professionals still did their job whether or not the Board approves the application.

Close Meeting to the Public:

Motion to close the meeting to the public was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre. Motion carried.

Return to Open Session:

Motion to return to open session was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre. Motion carried.

Approve Payment of the Bills:

Motion to approve payment of the bills with the exception of voucher 08-00714 was made by Cornelius McIntyre, second by Gary Spinner.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - absent, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – absent, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.:** 1 - yes', 0 - no's. **Motion carried.**

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn was made by Cornelius McIntyre, second by Gary Spinner. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Kearns, RMC
Municipal Clerk