

**STILLWATER TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES OF JANUARY 6, 2015
REGULAR MEETING**

A REGULAR MEETING of the Stillwater Township Committee was called to order by Mayor Scott at 7:02 p.m. noting the meeting date, time and place were duly published in the New Jersey Herald and posted at the Town Hall and advised those present that this meeting was being held in compliance with provisions of P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, Sections 4 & 13.

Roll Call: PRESENT: Mayor Scott, Committeewoman Chammings, Committeeman Gross, Committeewoman Straway, Municipal Clerk Lynda Knott, and Attorney Richard Stein
ABSENT: Committeeman Fisher

Regular Session:

Mayor Scott invited all present to join him in saluting the flag

Resolution 2015-021 Authorizing Execution of Agreement, Release and Waiver with PSE&G
Mrs. Straway made a **motion** to approve Resolution 2015-021, seconded by **Mr. Gross**.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Chammings, yes, Mr. Gross, yes, Mrs. Straway, yes and Mayor Scott, yes – Resolution 2015-021 was approved.

Open Public Session: Mayor Scott invited members of the public to speak.

Mrs. Kathy Draghi, 106 Route 619, voiced her extreme disappointment with the outburst from Mrs. Fisher, wife of an elected official and as a Township employee, during a non-public portion of the Re-organization Meeting earlier. Mrs. Draghi felt Mrs. Fisher was very disrespectful and asked Mayor Scott why he did not call her out of order and if he felt this action was worthy of a reprimand. Mrs. Draghi noted she did not speak during the public portion of the Re-organization Meeting because she was so shocked by Mrs. Fisher's conduct and out of concern for Mr. Fisher's obvious health issue.

Mrs. Draghi wanted to state on the record that she applauded Mrs. Straway and Ms. Chammings for attempting to breathe a new perspective into the roles of Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak Mayor Scott closed this portion of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Town Hall Renovations Phase III – Ms. Chammings asked the Clerk if Mr. Boshart had given a time frame for preparing the bid specs and detailed drawings. The Clerk will check with Mr. Boshart for his schedule.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 2015-001 AN ORDINANCE OF THE OF TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER, SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, AMENDING ARTICLE XIX, ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STILLWATER [Public Hearing and Adoption January 20, 2015]

WHEREAS, the Township of Stillwater heretofore adopted Ordinance No. 91-29 to establish an Environmental Commission, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:56A-1 et seq.;

WHEREAS, said ordinance did not provide for staggered terms for Commission members as required by N.J.S.A. 40:56A-1 et seq.;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater wishes to amend Article XIX “Environmental Commission” to comply with said statute;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Stillwater as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 10-91 “Members; Alternate Members; Residents” shall be amended to read as follows:

The Commission shall consist of seven members appointed by the Mayor. One member shall be a member of the Municipal Planning Board. The terms of office of the Commissioners shall be staggered for one, two or three year terms to be designated by the Mayor in making his appointments so that the terms of approximately one-third of the members shall expire each year. Thereafter, their successors shall be appointed for terms of three years and until the appointment and qualification of their successors. There shall also be two alternate members whose terms shall be two years, except that the terms of the alternates first appointed shall be two years for Alternate Number 1 and one year for Alternate Number 2. An alternate member may participate in the discussion of the proceedings but may not vote except in the absence of or disqualification of a regular member. A vote shall not be delayed in order that a regular member may vote instead of an alternate member. In the event that a choice must be made as to which alternate member is to vote, Alternate Number 1 shall vote first. All members and alternate members shall be residents of the Township of Stillwater.

SECTION 2. When Effective. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

Upon Motion by Mrs. Straway, seconded by Ms. Chamblings and Roll Call Vote: Ms. Chamblings, yes, Mr. Gross, yes, Mrs. Straway, yes and Mayor Scott, yes – Ordinance 2015-001 was Introduced and adopted.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Temporary Multi-use storage shed – Ms. Chamblings reported she has been working with Mr. Hendershot on a temporary multi-use storage shed that could be used to keep salt/grit mixture for the private lake communities' contractors in the winter and other materials or equipment at other times of year. The cost through the Morris County Co-op is just under \$10,600.00. The labor to construct the shed would be done by the DPW employees. The shed will hold approximately five (5) to (6) dump truck loads of materials. **Ms. Chamblings** made a **motion** to approve DPW's purchase of materials and erect a temporary material storage shed, seconded by **Mrs. Straway**. **Roll Call Vote**: Ms. Chamblings, yes, Mr. Gross, yes, Mrs. Straway, yes and Mayor Scott, yes – storage shed was approved.

On-Call Temporary Snow Plow Operator – Mr. Hendershot, the DPW Superintendent has requested the hiring of temporary snow plow operator(s) for the season. After a discussion **Ms. Chamblings** made a **motion** to instruct the Clerk to advertise for the Temporary Snow Plow Operator position with the stipulation the applicant be an experienced snow plow operator with a CDL license, seconded by **Mrs. Straway**. **Roll Call Vote**: Ms. Chamblings, yes, Mr. Gross, yes, Mrs. Straway, yes and Mayor Scott, yes – advertisement was approved.

Recycling Center Employee – Ms. Chamblings noted the Recycling Center has lost an employee several months earlier who has yet to be replaced. A discussion was held as to the minimum age requirement for the employee. It was decided that as long as the employee was not to operate the heavy equipment that the applicant must be a minimum of sixteen years of age. To keep the cost of the advertisement down the Clerk will be posting the advertisement on the Township's website and Face Book page, Sussex County Community College's website and sending a notice to KRHS Guidance Department.

OPEN PUBLIC SECTION

Mr. John Nelson, 6 Logwood Trail, Hampton and George Delgado, Chestnut Path, Hampton, representing Crandon Lakes Association spoke regarding the snow removal/grit spreading schedule and the communication between their contractor and the Township's representatives. The Township Committee requested they have their contractor and Mr. Hendershot communicate before their contractor goes out. Mr. Nelson noted that CLAPO would continue to purchase their materials themselves until the Township is ready to supply the grits.

Open Public Session: Mayor Scott opened the meeting to the public to speak on any matter. Seeing no one wishing to speak Mayor Scott closed this portion of the meeting.

There being no further business a Motion was made by Mrs. Straway to attend to adjourn the meeting, seconded by **Mr. Gross**. In a voice vote at 8:20 p.m., all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Knott, Municipal Clerk