

LOGAN TOWNSHIP

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 20, 2010

Mayor Frank W. Minor called the Regular Meeting of the Logan Township Council to order at 7:00pm on the above date. The meeting was held in the Logan Township Municipal Building located at 125 Main Street, Bridgeport, NJ.

The flag salute and moment of silence were observed.

The Mayor thanked those serving in the military for their daily sacrifice.

Mayor Minor read the Open Public Meeting Act.

Roll Call showed the following in attendance: Councilperson: Lyman Barnes, Doris Hall, Bernadine Jackson, Christopher Morris, Mayor Frank W. Minor. Others in attendance were: Solicitor Brian Duffield, Engineer Melanie Adamson, Chief James Schmidt and Deputy Clerk Jennifer Holland.

Mayor congratulated Councilperson Morris on the birth of his new son, Charles James.

ORDINANCE #3-2010: Public Hearing/Second Reading

2010 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S. 40A:4-45.14)

Hall motioned to open to the public, second Barnes. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

No public comment.

Hall motioned to close to the public, second Barnes. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Barnes motioned to adopt Ordinance #3-2010, second Hall. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ORDINANCE #4-2010: Public Hearing/Second Reading

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN
Amended to add Junior Fireman’s Auxiliary under “Fire Department”

Jackson motioned to open to the public, second Barnes. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED**

No public comment.

Jackson motioned to close to the public, second Barnes. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Jackson motioned to adopt Ordinance #4-2010, second Barnes. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ORDINANCE #5-2010: First Reading/Introduction

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 4 ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN
Amended to add Fire-Rescue Fees; establishment of billing procedures under “Fire Department”

Barnes motioned to introduce Ordinance #5-2010 on first reading and set a public hearing for May 4th, 2010, second Jackson. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Barnes motioned to pay all duly authorized bills, second Morris. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION #102-2010:

RESOLUTION APPROVING PROMOTION OF POLICE OFFICER TO THE RANK OF PATROL OFFICER 2ND CLASS FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
(Officer Steven Carson)

Based upon the Chief's recommendation, Mayor Minor added that Officer Carson has done an outstanding job and is very deserving of the promotion. Mayor Minor commended Police Chief Schmidt for the training and performance of all the officers within our Police Department.

Morris motioned to adopt Resolution #102-2010, second Barnes. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION #103-2010:

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO SUBRECIPIENT MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS
(to extend for an additional 12 months in order to expend funds – Historical Society Bldg.)

Barnes motioned to adopt Resolution #103-2010, second Hall. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

RESOLUTION #104-2010:

EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION FOR TOWNSHIP OF LOGAN, COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Morris motioned to adopt Resolution #104-2010, second Barnes. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COUNCIL UPDATES:

Barnes – update on the Orleans Bankruptcy; township solicitor tracking the proceedings. They have a purchaser for the entire company. They are working toward a definitive sales agreement for the entire company. Auction scheduled for June 24th for the sale of the entire company through Bankruptcy Court. Bids due June 16th.

Hall – NJ Dept. of Health and Senior Services will be mailing the 2009 Right To Know Survey Forms in April; the forms must be completed and returned to the department by July 15, 2010. Advised that a white sedan will be traveling through the community conducting a tree counting survey that is required for the Forestry Grant. No need for alarm. Brought up the letter of commendation received from residents Liz and John Dickson that was read by Mayor Minor.

Jackson – no update.

Morris – no update.

Mayor Minor – read the Letter of Commendation sent by Liz and John Dickson of 15 Hickory Lane in Logan Township. They commended Mike Riley of the Public Works Department and Mike Mitchell of the Logan Township MUA. On April 8, 2008, their home experienced a sewer backup into the house. January 16, 2010, the same problem reoccurred. Both individuals went above and beyond the call of duty in responding and resolving the situation. Received notification from the Department of Labor that Mitsubishi Fuso Truck of America in Logan Township was awarded a Customized Training Grant in the amount of \$47,000.00. The Mayor congratulated Mitsubishi Fuso Truck of America. Received notice that Atlantic City Electric has filed for a rate increase; along with New Jersey American Water, to the Board of Public Utilities.

REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Public Works – leaks with the new roof have been taken care of by the contractor. Tire pick up during the month of March. Conducted tree trimming. Household Hazardous Waste Schedule has been received. Tonnage Reports are coming in. A special container has been provided at the Municipal Building Complex where residents can bring personal

computers for disposal; when it becomes full the vendor (Goodwill) removes it at no cost to the township. The vendor will generate a report at year end for Public Works for the tonnage report.

Barnes added that Mike Riley of Public Works initiated this thru the Goodwill/Dell Cooperative for computer recycling. This will also save our school money as they can utilize this service with the Township free of charge for disposal of old computers, instead of having to pay \$10.00 per computer to return to Dell. Barnes also added that on April 8th, the NJDEP conducted an audit of the township's annual storm water permit. Audit went extremely well. Towns are required to have a minimum of 10 points; We scored 19 points. DEP suggested that Logan Township apply for a DEP Storm Water Award. Barnes, PW Superintendent Dave McCormick and Chief Schmidt attended a pre-construction meeting held by the County of the bridge replacement on Cedar Swamp Road; construction due to begin July.

Engineer – see attached report.

Solicitor – no report.

Police – see attached report. Captain Keegan will be retiring May 1st with 30 years in law enforcement; 21 years in the Logan Township Police Department.

Fire Company – see attached report.

Municipal Fire Chief – combined with above.

JIF Safety Coordinator – no report.

Zoning Officer – see attached report.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Membership Application – Logan Township Fire Company – Bridgeport Station

Shaun Farley
Bridgeport, NJ

Barnes motioned to accept the membership application of Shaun Farley, on the condition there will not be any driving of vehicles until further notification, second Morris. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chief Schmidt added that the Police Department conducts a driver license investigation on a yearly basis on all township employees and volunteers; rotated each year by department. Anytime there is an issue with a license, it is addressed with the Department Head and has always been handled successfully.

**Request for use of Township Line Road Park – The Goddard School
May 15th 8:30am – 1:00pm Spring Carnival**

Jackson advised that this request is in conflict with the already approved request for Matthew's Miles on the same date. Barnes recommended Clerk's Office contact the Goddard School for an alternate date.

Barnes motioned to TABLE request by The Goddard School for the use of the Township Line Road Park on May 15th for Spring Carnival, second Morris. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Annual Floating Holiday for Municipal Employees
*Tuesday, July 6th (Monday, July 5th Holiday)***

Jackson motioned to approve July 6th as the annual Floating Holiday for 2010 for Municipal Building Employees, second Hall. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Summer Hours for Municipal Building
Memorial Day Weekend to Labor Day Weekend**

Summer Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00am to 4:00pm
Friday 8:00am to 12:30pm

Hall motioned to approve summer hours request for Municipal Building as outlined above, second Jackson. Roll Call: Ayes: Barnes, Hall, Jackson, Morris, Mayor Minor. Nays: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Hall motioned to open to the public, second Barnes. All were in favor.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Evan McCormick residing on Main Street in Bridgeport inquired about the plans for the Historical Society Building in Bridgeport. Mayor Minor responded that the township is continuing with the restoration of the building (through grants), will work with the County concerning the guidelines and restrictions based upon the grant money received, and will make a determination.

Jackson motioned to close to the public, second Barnes. All were in favor.

CLOSE TO THE PUBLIC

Barnes motioned to adjourn, second Hall. All were in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Holland
Deputy Clerk

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