

AUGUST 15, 2007

The South Harrison Township Committee held a finance and regular meeting on Wednesday, August 15, 2007 at 7:30 and 8:00 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: Cornelius McIntyre – present, James McCall - present, Charles Tyson - present, Robert Campbell – present, Gary Spinner – present, Richard Fini, Engineer – present, William Zeigler, Solicitor – present, Colleen Bianco, Administrator – present, Nancy Kearns, Municipal Clerk - present.

Minutes:

Motion to table the minutes was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Police Department – July 2007 Report
Construction Code Office – July 2007 Report

Tax Collector's Report: Taxes collected for the month of July \$511,147.81.

Treasurer's Report: The bill list and the investment account report was submitted.

Approve Payment of the Bills:

Motion to table payment of the bills was made by Cornelius McIntyre, second by Robert Campbell. Motion carried.

Old Business: **Ordinance O-07-17**
An Ordinance Appropriating the Sum of \$8,000.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the Updating of the Code 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 Ordinance O-07-17 only was made by Cornelius McIntyre, second by Robert Campbell. 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-07-17 was made by Robert Campbell, second by James McCall. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-07-17 was made by James McCall, second by Gary Spinner.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - yes, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Gary Spinner – yes, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes. **R.C.V.: 5 - yes', 0 - no's. Motion carried.**

Ordinance O-07-18

An Ordinance Appropriating the Sum of \$1,088.76 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the purchase of Mannington VCT 12 x 12 tiles, adhesive and cove molding from Matteo Family Kitchens, Inc. for the South Harrison Township Police Office

Public hearing and final adoption.

Open Meeting to the Public:

Motion to open the meeting to the public on Ordinance O-07-18 only was made by Cornelius McIntyre, second by James McCall. 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-07-18 was made by Cornelius McIntyre, second by James McCall. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-07-18 was made by James McCall, second by Gary Spinner.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - yes, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Gary Spinner – yes, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes. **R.C.V.: 5 - yes', 0 - no's. Motion carried.**

EMS Report

Committeeman McIntyre advised that Don Moul is on vacation and he would be doing the report. Committeeman McIntyre advised that he along with Robert Diaz attended a meeting with Jerry White and Andy Lovell from the County and after this meeting there were no more answers than before. Committeeman McIntyre recommends the Township wait and see how it works before committing to the program. Robert Diaz then spoke reporting that there were no definitive answers and as to respond times Mr. Diaz advised that the national average of 9 minutes is for urban areas. Mr. Diaz stated Unity Ambulance is looking to make the mutual aid with Harrison Township stronger for better coverage and the average response for South Harrison is 18 minutes. Mr. Diaz stated that if Harrison Township joins the County then South Harrison would almost have to join. The County still does not know the number of hubs and their locations, but is looking at 10 hubs of which 8 would be 24/7. The County also talked about the issue of roving, where the trucks would be on the road and not in station, again the logistics of the operation still have not been worked out, again leaving the Township with no specific answers as to how the program will benefit South Harrison Township. The Committee thanked Neil and Bob for their time and report.

Stewart Park Report

Deputy Mayor Campbell stated the sub-committee members are himself, Neil McIntyre, Mel Robertson and Joe Wille, however the report is not complete because attempts to reach the contractor were futile and he feels it would be in the best interest of the Township to discuss these issues in closed session with legal counsel and also feels the Township should consider doing a resolution to rescind the original resolution and immediately move forward to get the work done. Mel Robertson stated he has all the facts from Jim McCall, but his report is not typed and ready for submittal. The resolution for excluding the public will be amended to include this matter.

Quotes for fencing at Stewart Park

Colleen Bianco, Administrator gave a synopsis of the quotes received to date. The quotes initially were for a 2 rail split fence, but after discussion with Mike Micklasavage, Public Works Superintendent, his recommendation would be to go with a 3 rail split fence. Colleen will report back at the next meeting on quotes for a 3 rail split fence.

Saddlebrook

The Committee discussed the letter being sent to South Harrison Ventures LLC (Barry DePeppe) regarding the Engineer's punch list of items that need to be addressed with regard to this development and setting forth a procedure for future developments in conjunction with the timeliness of completion of projects.

New Business: NJ State Firemen's Association Applications

Motion to approve the NJ State Firemen's Association Membership applications of Joseph D. Laughlin and Joshua M. VanKeuren was made by James McCall, second by Robert Campbell.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - yes, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Gary Spinner - yes, Charles Tyson - yes, Robert Campbell - yes. **R.C.V.: 5 - yes', 0 - no's. Motion carried.**

Letter from SH Planning/Zoning Board

The Committee discussed a letter received from the South Harrison Township Planning/Zoning Board with regard to increasing buffers and proposing implementation of Vista and Tree Ordinances. Committeeman Spinner requested that the Planners should look at this request and recommendation and it should be further discussed at the South Harrison Township Planning/Zoning Board work session scheduled for tomorrow night (August 16, 2007).

Resolution R-07-83

Resolution Authorizing Payment from the Farmland Preservation Assistance Trust Fund to Marc and Cynthia Skulnick

Motion to adopt Resolution R-07-83 was made by Cornelius McIntyre, second by James McCall.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - yes, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Gary Spinner - yes, Charles Tyson - yes, Robert Campbell - yes. **R.C.V.: 5 - yes', 0 - no's. Motion carried.**

Ordinance O-07-19

An Ordinance Appropriating the Sum of \$23,790.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the Purchase of a 2008 Dodge Durango 4x4 Sport Utility Vehicle for the South Harrison Township Police Department

Introduction and first reading

Motion to adopt Ordinance O-07-19 on first reading was made by Robert Campbell, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - yes, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Gary Spinner - yes, Charles Tyson - yes, Robert Campbell - yes. **R.C.V.: 5 - yes', 0 - no's. Motion carried.**

Public hearing set for September 12, 2007 at 8:00 p.m.

Resolution R-07-84

Resolution of the Township of South Harrison Awarding the Bid for a New 2008 Police Vehicle

Motion to adopt Resolution R-07-84 was made by Cornelius McIntyre, second by Robert Campbell.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - yes, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Gary Spinner - yes, Charles Tyson - yes, Robert Campbell - yes. **R.C.V.: 5 - yes', 0 - no's. Motion carried.**

Resolution R-07-85

Resolution for Excluding the Public (Personnel)

Motion to adopt Resolution R-07-85 with the amendment to include anticipated, pending or threatening litigation was made by Gary Spinner, second by Robert Campbell.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - yes, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Gary Spinner – yes, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes. **R.C.V.: 5 - yes', 0 - no's. Motion carried.**

Resolution R-07-86

Resolution Requesting Approval of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to Establish a Dedicated Trust by Rider for the South Harrison Township Community Newsletter Pursuant to N.J. S. A.40A: 50-29

Motion to adopt Resolution R-07-86 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - yes, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Gary Spinner – yes, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes. **R.C.V.: 5 - yes', 0 - no's. Motion carried.**

Resolution R-07-87

Resolution Authorizing the Township of South Harrison to Submit an Application for Funding of the South Harrison Municipal Alliance Project for the Year 2008

Motion to adopt Resolution R-07-87 was made by James McCall, second by Robert Campbell.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - yes, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Gary Spinner – yes, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes. **R.C.V.: 5 - yes', 0 - no's. Motion carried.**

Resolution R-07-88

2008 FY Municipal Aid Application – Lincoln Road Resurfacing Project – Phase 6

Motion to adopt Resolution R-07-88 was made by James McCall, second by Gary Spinner.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - yes, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Gary Spinner – yes, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes. **R.C.V.: 5 - yes', 0 - no's. Motion carried.**

Resolution R-07-89

2008 FY Municipal Aid Application – Lake Street Resurfacing Project

Motion to adopt Resolution R-07-89 was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

Roll Call Vote: James McCall - yes, Cornelius McIntyre - yes, Gary Spinner – yes, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes. **R.C.V.: 5 - 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 James McCall. Motion carried.

Chris Kudless addressed the Committee recommending the split rail fence at the park be made of vinyl. Mr. Kudless addressed the Committee regarding a sink hole in the street in front of his house in Mullica Crossings. The Committee discussed the problems with this development. Mr. Kudless will get a list of all the problems together and see that Colleen Bianco, Administrator receives the list for the Township Engineer to address.

Joe Calabro of 374 Lincoln Mill Road addressed the Committee regarding the condition of Cedar Grove Road and the dip in the road because of a pipe that was replaced. Mr. Calabro wants this dip fixed within 30 days; he feels this is more than fair.

Marc Nagtegaal, Environmental Commission Chair gave a status report of the basins in the Township. Mr. Nagtegaal advised that in the future this will be a monthly report.

Committeeman McCall excused himself from the meeting at 10:05 pm.

Theresa Roeder, resident of Saddlebrook addressed the Committee concerning the lack of maintenance and the landscape plan not being on the punch list she reviewed. Bach Engineering will do an inspection in relationship to the landscaping plans.

John Coleman addressed the Board stating that going forward the Township will need to plan for basin maintenance.

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 Robert Campbell. Motion carried.

Colleen Bianco raised the issue of Resolution R-05-92 which sets forth the dead line for items to be placed on the agenda and that this needs to be followed in order for the packets to be prepared in advance of the meetings.

Committeeman Spinner advised the Committee that he spoke with Joe Fetterman regarding the Bancroft property, it is 151 acres and they are asking \$2 million for it. The Committee said thanks but no thanks.

The Committee spoke about the easement between 12 and 14 Antelope Drive and who is responsible for mowing; the home owner has been doing it, but is questioning who should be doing it. It probably is the Township's responsibility and will be checked into, to see if this is a paper street.

Colleen Bianco advised that she spoke with Tom Colavecchio and he would like a meeting set to discuss the tax maps. Rich Fini stated he would forward the proposal to Colleen.

Approve Payment of the Bills:

Motion to approve payment of the bills was made by Gary Spinner, second by Cornelius McIntyre.

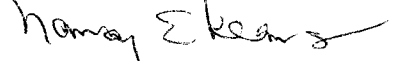
Roll Call Vote: James McCall – absent, Cornelius McIntyre – yes, Charles Tyson – yes, Robert Campbell – yes, Gary Spinner – yes. **R.C.V.: 4 - yes', 0 - no's. Motion carried.**

Minutes: Motion to table the minutes until the August 21, 2007 meeting was made by Cornelius McIntyre, second by Robert Campbell. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

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

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy E. Kearns, RMC
Municipal Clerk