

CINNAMINSON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

March 5, 2018

The Work Session Meeting of the Township Committee was called to order by Mayor Evans at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 1621 Riverton Road, Cinnaminson, NJ 08077. Mayor Evans announced that this meeting is being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act," P.L. 1975 c.231, having been noticed to the Burlington County Times and the Courier Post on January 5, 2018

In attendance: Mr. Brauckmann, Mr. Horner, Mr. McGill, Mayor Evans. Also present: Michael P. King, Administrator; Julia Edmondson, CFO; Kelly Grant, Solicitor; Michael Minton, Economic Development Director

Mayor Evans opens the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

Term Limits

Committee has requested the solicitor look into being able to put a limit on terms allowed for committee members, by referendum if necessary. Ms. Grant advises that as a Non Faulkner form of government going out to referendum would not be allowed. Ms. Grant also advises that the State would set term limits, not the municipality, therefore there is no further action needed.

School Resource Officers (Class II and III Part Time)

Mayor Evans opens discussion regarding Class II and Class III officers and designating a subcommittee to meet with the school board. Mr. King advises that we did not get the grant money for two additional SRO's. The difference is Class III is a retired police officer who only has authority on school grounds. Right now we have Class II officers who can leave the school grounds if needed. Mr. Brauckmann adds that the Class III officer just came in as a new law. They cannot replace the existing SRO; they would be in addition to. Committee will explore all options. Mr. McGill states he would lean more towards the Class III officer, someone that will stay on the school grounds. Mr. King advises that he spoke to the Superintendent. The school board will research it on their own and get back to the Township. Our agreement with the school is that the Public Safety Director makes the selection but the school must sign off on it. Funding for the SRO is a major issue. We will apply for a grant again this year.

Park Permits for Approval

Mr. Brauckmann asks for committee to approve two permits for Parks and Rec, Community Garden at Extension Park and for the Seniors Men and Women's Bocce League's use of the Bocce courts. MOTION TO APPROVE PERMITS MADE BY MAYOR EVANS, seconded by Mr. Brauckmann. Voice vote. All aye. Motion is approved.

Relay for Life Car Show (July 15, 2018)

This is a request to have a Relay for Life Car Show at Wood Park. There was some concern from Township staff about potential damage to the fields. George Ferris is present. Mr. Ferris states that if the field is wet at all he would move the event to the Memorial Park parking lot. Mr. King advises of Mike McDonald of DPW's concerns regarding the fields. Mr. Horner confirms Mr. McDonald's concerns and the costs of maintaining the fields. Mr. Ferris to meet with Mike McDonald from DPW to discuss. Matter tabled to March 19, 2018 meeting.

Political Activity Policy for Employees

Committee reaffirms what the Township policy is regarding political activity for the record. Mr. Brauckmann states that committee does not want employees to engage in political activities during working hours. Last year there were several times where there were questionable announcements made in meetings and were rumors of employees handing out political signs. Committee just wants employees to be aware of this policy. Policy is as follows:

Employees have exactly the same right as any other citizen to join political organizations and participate in political activities, as long as they maintain a clear separation between their official responsibilities and their political affiliations. Employees are prohibited from engaging in political activities while performing their public duties and from using Township time, supplies or equipment in any political activity. Any violation of this policy must be reported to the supervisor, Department Head, Administrator, or Administrator's designee.

Tree Ordinance

A draft ordinance has been reviewed by committee members. Todd Day, Superintendent is in attendance for any questions. Committee reviews what current policy is and what the ordinance will cover. Currently we will not remove a healthy tree. Committee decides that if resident states sewer lateral is damaged due to tree roots we will require a camera be run by a licensed plumber for Public Works witness/review. Ordinance to be introduced at March 19, 2018 meeting.

Riggins

Mr. Horner advises that the Economic Development Committee is working on a resolution referring proposed amendments to the Planning Board that will be ready for the March 19, 2018 meeting. Matter tabled to March 19, 2018

Ms. Edmondson reads announcement regarding the Municipal Alliance from Kim Mauroff. Monday, March 12th there will be a dinner at the middle school at 7:00 pm. The event is "Wrap with Your Kids". It is about talking to your kids about drugs and alcohol. She invites committee members to attend.

Public Comments on Consent Agenda items only - None

Consent Agenda

Approval of Resolution 2018 – 45 Authorizing an Application for Tonnage Grant

Approval of Resolution 2018 – 46 Refund of 2018 prepaid taxes 315 Parry Road

Approval of Resolution 2018 – 47 Municipal Alliance Grant

Approval of Raffles Cinnaminson Home and School (5/11/18 and 5/21/18)

Approval of Raffles PTA Lumberton Township (3/15/18)

End of consent Agenda

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA MADE BY MR. MCGILL, seconded by Mr. Horner. Voice vote. All aye. Consent agenda is approved.

Minutes

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 26, 2018 MADE BY MR. MCGILL, seconded by Mr. Brauckmann. Voice vote. All aye. Minutes approved.

Bill List

MOTION MADE BY MR. BRAUCKMANN, seconded by Mr. McGill to approve the bill list. Voice vote. All aye, no opposed. Bill list is approved.

Mayor opens the meeting for Comments from Public

Hearing no comments from the public Mayor Evans closes the public comment portion of the meeting.

Comments from Committee – None

MR. MCGILL MAKES A MOTION to go into closed session for discussion of contract negotiations, seconded by Mr. Horner. Voice vote. All aye. No opposed.

MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION MADE BY MR. MCGILL, seconded by Mr. Brauckmann. Voice vote. All aye. No opposed

Mr. McCarthy joins the meeting via speakerphone.

Approval of Resolution 2018 – 44 Authorizing Appointment of Corey A. Ahart as Municipal Judge to complete unexpired term until December 31, 2018.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2018 – 44 MADE BY MR. MCCARTHY, seconded by Mr. Horner. Voice vote. Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Horner and Mayor Evans aye. Mr. Brauckmann and Mr. McGill abstain. Resolution is approved.

MOTION MADE BY MR. MCCARTHY, seconded by Mayor Evans to approve February 26, 2018 Closed session minutes. Voice vote. Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Horner and Mayor Evans aye. Mr. Brauckmann and Mr. McGill abstain. Minutes are approved.

Mr. McCarthy ends phone call.

MOTION TO RETURN TO CLOSED SESSION MADE BY MR. MCGILL, seconded by Mr. Brauckmann. Voice vote. All aye. Meeting moved to closed session.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING MADE BY MR. MCGILL, seconded by Mr. Brauckmann. Voice vote. All aye. Meeting is adjourned.

7:55 pm

Duly passed and adopted:

Respectfully submitted:

Lisa A. Passione, RMC
Municipal Clerk