



**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM
OCTOBER 27, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.**

Mayor Baumann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., Township Hall, Brookside, New Jersey.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Cioppettini	Present
Mrs. Orban Brown	Present
Mrs. Thomas	Present
Mr. Tolley	Present
Mayor Baumann	Present

Also Present: John M. Mills, III, Esq., Township Attorney
Mary Beth Zichelli, Township Clerk

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Adequate notice of this meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Mendham was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was given to the Daily Record, Observer Tribune and the Star Ledger on January 6, 2015. Notice was posted on the Bulletin Board in the Township Offices and Notice was filed with the Township Clerk.

Official action may be taken.

RESOLUTION 2015-143

AUTHORIZING DISCUSSION WITHOUT THE PRESENCE OF THE PUBLIC

Mr. Tolley motioned that the resolution be approved, seconded by Mrs. Orban Brown

A roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Cioppettini, Orban Brown, Thomas, Tolley, Baumann

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Executive Session

Litigation

PRESENTATION

LOSAP – Nick Monahan, Gary Russell and John Roth all gave an explanation of how they keep records for LOSAP.

Onsite Engineering & Whitewater – Dave Formato and Dave Boucher gave a presentation on the state of the sewer treatment plant. A report is attached with the cost and analysis of what needs to be done to fix Mendham East Treatment Plant. Dave Boucher explained that once he was given the Committee's approval to begin, he would have to get DEP approval, the selection of technology and go out to bid. The entire process ending with a new plant would take about one year.

The Mayor asked if anyone had any questions for Dave Boucher or Dave Formato and the following residents asked questions and expressed concerns:

Fred Spataro, 6 Langford Drive

Joe McCann, Walsingham Lane

Rick Degnan, 40 Walsingham Lane

Warren Gisser, West Main Street

Lisa Dumont, 5 Devonshire Lane

Rick Monahan, 20 West Main Street

Catherine Tafaro, 15 Walsingham Lane

Peter McAvoy, 14 Langford Drive

Suzanne Burke, 9 Wainright Rd.

RECAP ON POST EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mayor Baumann stated the discussion was in regards to a rescinding of a termination action that occurred at the October 13th meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 22, 2015, regular

Mrs. Thomas motioned that the minutes be approved, seconded by Mrs. Orban Brown

A roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Cioppettini, Orban Brown, Thomas, Tolley, Baumann

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE - Mr. Tolley stated that he and the CFO are trying to determine the movement of money between Mendham East and West and that our budget requests for department heads has gone out to start the 2016 budget process.

POLICE - There wasn't a meeting this month, but the police committee plans to meet next month to go over questions that arose from the last meeting.

ROAD DEPARTMENT - Mrs. Thomas asked why the bid specs have not been advertised yet. Mr. Cioppettini stated he was waiting on getting the meteorological service phone number. After much discussion on what the proper bid spec should be, it was suggested it be discussed in a sub-committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brookside Bridge start date is November 16th with plans on finishing within three weeks.

HEARING PERSONS PRESENT

Rick Blood, 32 Tingley lane, questioned the snow bid and paying by the inch. He expressed his concern that the bid was going out late and does not expect to get a good contractor that gets paid by the inch.

Pat Zimmerman, 3 West Main St., asked if the state has any responsibility for the malfunction of the treatment plant. Mr. Mills stated he did not believe this would be the case.

Omie Ryan, Glencary Drive, told the committee how much she appreciates the work that they do and would like to set a date to present a detailed business plan. The Friends of Pitney will make the plan public two weeks before the date of presentation.

Ordinance for second reading

Ordinance 2015-6 was introduced and passed on first reading on September 8th

ORDINANCE 2015-6

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM AMENDING CHAPTER 21 SECTION 2.2 'ZONING MAP'

Mr. Mills explained that this ordinance was not discussed at the Planning Board Meeting, therefore it has to be tabled until the November 24, 2015 meeting.

Mrs. Thomas moved to table ordinance 6-2015 with a second by Mayor Baumann

A roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Cioppettini, Orban Brown, Baumann

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

ORDINANCE 2015-11

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING MUNICIPAL CONSENT TO NEW JERSEY AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC. TO PERMIT THE CONSTRUCTION, EXPANSION AND MAINTENANCE OF WATER FACILITIES ON PUBLIC PROPERTY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM IN ORDER TO FURNISH WATER SERVICE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS SISTERS OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ON MOSLE ROAD (Block 100 Lot 17.03), CONDITIONED UPON RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL

Mrs. Thomas moved to adopt ordinance 11-2015 on second reading, seconded by Mrs. Tolley.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Cioppettini, Orban Brown, Baumann

Nayes: none

Abstain: Thomas

Absent: none

ORDINANCE 2015-13

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 10-2014
FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY**

Mr. Tolley moved to adopt ordinance 13-2015 on second reading, seconded by Mr. Cioppettini.

Mrs. Orban Brown asked that the ordinance be amended to show minimum of \$1800 and maximum of \$3500 for Mayor's salary and a minimum of \$1500 and maximum of \$3000 for Committeeperson's salary.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Cioppettini, Orban Brown, Thomas, Baumann

Nayes: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

Resolutions

RESOLUTION 2015-144

**CANCELLATION OF FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT RECEIVABLES
AND RESERVES**

Mrs. Thomas motioned that the resolution be approved, seconded by Mrs. Orban Brown.

Mrs. Zichelli explained these are revenues we have and can now be put back into the fund.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Cioppettini, Orban Brown, Thomas, Tolley, Baumann

Nayes: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

**RESOLUTION 2015 –145
APPROVAL OF THE 2014 LOSAP QUALIFICATION LIST FOR
THE BROOKSIDE ENGINE COMPANY No. 1,
RALSTON ENGINE COMPANY No. 1 AND THE MENDHAM TOWNSHIP FIRST AID
SQUAD**

Mrs. Thomas motioned that the resolution be approved, seconded by Mrs. Orban Brown

A roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Cioppettini, Orban Brown, Thomas, Baumann

Nayes: none

Abstain: Tolley

Absent: none

RESOLUTION 2015-146

**Refunding of 2002 Open Space Bonds,
2006 General Obligation Bonds and 2009 General Improvement Bonds**

Mrs. Thomas motioned that the resolution be approved, seconded by Mrs. Orban Brown

Mr. Tolley explained that the Committee wants to take advantage of the rates, and explained that we will not know the true savings until we go out and get the final price. We will do it as long as we save at least 3%.

Warren Gisser, 39 West Main Street, explained that an RFP was prepared and we had 5 successful bidders, of which Raymond James was the lowest. The rating we were given is good for six months.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Cioppettini, Orban Brown, Thomas, Tolley, Baumann

Nayes: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

RESOLUTION 2015-147

APPOINTING MEMBERS TO TOWNSHIP COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Mr. Cioppettini motioned that the resolution be approved, seconded by Mr. Tolley

Mrs. Orban Brown asked that we have a Proclamation for Daryl Brewster be done, since he was stepping down from the TV Board .

A roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Cioppettini, Orban Brown, Thomas, Tolley, Baumann

Nayes: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

RESOLUTION 2015-148

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mr. Tolley motioned that the resolution be approved, seconded by Mrs. Orban Brown
A roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Cioppettini, Orban Brown, Thomas, Tolley, Baumann

Nayes: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none

DISCUSSION

Tax Collector- Mrs. Thomas said she thought we needed a new tax collector since her term is up December 31st. It was decided to wait until a CFO is hired before any decision was made.

OPEN ITEMS

CFO search – Mr. Cioppettini announced that he had four resumes and interviews are set up.

Budget Discussion - Mrs. Orban Brown asked about the start of budget discussion and Mr. Tolley said it would start once we had an Administrator and CFO in place, but the preliminary letter to department heads has gone out.

Administration search – Mrs. Orban Brown said they had 15 resumes and will send the hard copies to the Clerk to make copies.

Mayor **Baumann** asked that the Municipal Court and Recreation Report- November 9th will be tabled until the next meeting. He also responded to a resident who asked about the Feasibility Study. The Board of Ed had told him they were waiting to hear from the Borough and Township to discuss the results of the study.

HEARING PERSONS PRESENT

Peter Dumovic, thanked the Mayor for explaining the study process to him and also commented that the K-8 district is important to him and the Committee should keep the heat on the them to finish the process.

Nick Monahan, 20 West Main Street, suggested the Committee go to the School Board Meetings to possibly force some action with them. He also suggested flipping Hearing Persons Present to occur after the Committee speaks.

Patricia Zimmerman, 3 West Main Street suggested the Committee give the Friends of Pitney a list of questions to answer in the Business Plan.

Peter Dumovic, spoke on behalf of the Friends of Pitney, thought Mrs. Zimmerman's comment was reasonable and they are happy to accommodate everyone if possible.

ADJOURNMENT

The Township Committee meeting went into Executive Session at 10:00 PM, which then recessed back to open session at 10:40 PM, whereupon a motion to adjourn was passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Beth Zichelli
Township Clerk