



**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM
March 28, 2017
Regular Session 7:30 p.m.**

ROLL CALL

Mr. Baumann	Present
Mr. Cioppettini	Present
Mr. Diegnan	Absent
Mr. Gisser	Present via phone
Mayor Orban Brown	Present

Also Present: John M. Mills, III, Esq., Township Attorney
Debbie Bonanno, Administrator
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 7, 2017. Notice was posted on the Bulletin Board in the Township Offices and Notice was filed with the Township Clerk.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Cioppettini reminded people of the Mendies event, taking place April 7th at the Community Club.

He also mentioned that the Rotary Antique show is April 8th and 9th at the high school and that the high school mock trial team won the State Championship and is now going on to the national level.

Ms. Bonnano told residents that the new phone system in the office will be in working order this Thursday and the extensions have changed.

PROCLAMATIONS

The Mayor read a proclamation for American Red Cross Month

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 13, 2017, regular session

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Gisser seconded. Mr. Baumann abstained. All other members present voted to approve.

March 13, 2017, executive session

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Gisser seconded. . Mr. Baumann abstained. All other members present voted to approve.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Orban Brown explained that this portion of the meeting will be in place of the first Hearing Persons Present and would allow residents watching at home to email or send correspondence which would be read at this time. All emails should be sent to clerk@mendhamtownship.org or dbrown@mendhamtownship.org.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2017-4

AMENDING ROAD DETAIL

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Baumann seconded. The Mayor opened it up to discussion by Committee members. Mr. Cioppettini stated the ordinance helps bring the ordinance and PBA contract together.

All members present voted to approve. This ordinance will be on for second reading and public hearing at the April 18, 2017 Township Committee meeting

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2017-50

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Gisser seconded. All members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2017-51

ESTABLISHING THE SALARY TO THE POLICE CHIEF

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Baumann moved. Mr. Cioppettini seconded. All members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2017-52

APPROVING A RAFFLE LICENSE

Mayor Orban Brown called for a motion. Mr. Cioppettini moved. Mr. Baumann seconded. Brookside Engine Company is applying for it, but the proceeds will go to the Recreation Trust Fund. All members present voted to approve.

REPORT

Facilities and Infrastructure – Mr. Baumann commended the DPW for doing a tremendous job on the last snow storm.

Finance—The Mayor reminded everyone that there will not be an April 12th meeting. The next Township Committee meeting will take place on April 18th.

Municipal Revenue-Mr. Gisser said he will discuss and firm up certain issues at the April 18th meeting.

DISCUSSION

Mr. Baumann inquired as to what the Mayor thought the Township Committee should do to be involved in the schools as Mr. Merrit suggested at the last meeting. The Mayor suggested residents and Committee members attend the BOE meetings.

HEARING PERSONS PRESENT

Rick Blood, 32 Tingley Road, inquired about the Verizon presentation and the installation of nodes on the telephone poles. The Mayor informed him that no action would be taking place until Verizon went before the Planning Board and Verizon has not yet made an application to the Board.

Amalia Duarte, 22 Brockton Drive inquired about the results of a playground meeting which had taken place the previous week with the Administrator, Mayor, Mr. Read and Brian Maitland, the safety representative from our insurance company. Mayor Orban Brown stated she would have the results at the April 18th meeting.

Pat Lonergan, 17 Kennaday Road, expressed his support for the fundraising to replace Ralston Playground and mentioned that Jose Fernandez Landscaping would be interested in doing the demolition at no charge.

ADJOURNMENT

The Township Committee motioned to adjourn at 8:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Beth Zichelli
Township Clerk