TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM
June 13, 2016 7:30 p.m. Regular session

ROLL CALL:

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

Also Present: John M. Mills, III, Esq., Township Attorney
Debbie Bonanno, Township Administrator

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: After the salute to the flag, the Mayor asked for a moment of silence for the 49 victims in the latest terrorist attack in Orlando.

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 8, 2016. Notice was posted on the Bulletin Board in the Township Offices and Notice was filed with the Township Clerk.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
The Mayor stated he was asked to table Resolution 2016-81 until the June 28th meeting and the 2016-79 resolution will be voted on after the Executive session.
He also congratulated Mr. Diegnan on winning the Republican Primary Election and Mr. Dumovic on winning the Democratic Primary. He stated the race between Mr. Tolley and Mr. Gisser would be determined after the opening of Provisional ballots on June 15th.
Patriots Day Race will take place Saturday, June 18th
Mrs. Orban Brown announced the Township has a policy and procedure when trees come down on a road during a storm, which includes setting up cones. She explained that cones have gone missing and if anyone has any, they can be delivered to town hall and can do so with no questions asked. She also announced the Township has a very dynamic Morris County emergency notification system, which residents can sign up for, called Everbridge. The icon is on the homepage of our website.
Mr. Tolley congratulated Mr. Dumovic, Mr. Diegnan and Mr. Gisser on winning the Primary. He also announced Sally Dudley, a longtime activist, mayor in neighboring community died. He said we lost another outstanding person of the community.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 24, 2016, executive

Mayor Cioppettini called for a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Tolley moved. Mr. Cioppettini seconded. Mrs. Orban Brown and Mr. Baumann abstained. All other members present voted to approve.

May 24, 2016, regular

Mayor Cioppettini called for a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Tolley moved. Mr. Cioppettini seconded. Mr. Baumann abstained and Mrs. Orban Brown abstained for all but the 2016-9 Ordinance. All other members present voted to approve.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2016-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND APPROPRIATING $175,000 THEREFORE, FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Mayor Cioppettini read the ordinance by title and called for a motion. Mr. Baumann moved. Mrs. Orban Brown seconded. Ms. Bonanno explained that this is a cash ordinance and requires no financing. It will be used for road improvements, a new police vehicle and radio replacements. All members presented voted to approve. This ordinance will be on for second reading and public hearing at the June 28, 2016 Township Committee meeting.

ORDINANCE 2016-11

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING $400,500 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $380,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

Mayor Cioppettini read the ordinance by title and called for a motion. Mr. Baumann moved. Mrs. Orban Brown seconded it. Ms. Bonanno told the Committee, this was another ordinance, but part of it would be finances and that would occur in October or May of 2017. Mr. Tolley asked what portions were not in the budget, to which Ms. Bonanno responded that they were all in the budget. Mr. Tolley stated that the ordinance appeared to show an increase in the budget and needed clarification from the CFO, Ms. Fornaro. It was decided to table the ordinance until the June 28th meeting in order to get certain questions answered.

RESOLUTION 2016-84

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM AUTHORIZING THE CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 2

Mayor Cioppettini asked that this resolution be tabled until the June 28th meeting, since it has to be voted on after the Bond ordinance.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 2016-77

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING COUNCIL TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP THEREIN FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2016 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Mayor Cioppettini read the resolution by title and called for a motion. Mrs. Orban Brown moved. Mr. Tolley seconded. All members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2016-78

RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTING A CHANGE TO AN EXISTING DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

Mayor Cioppettini read the resolution by title and called for a motion. Mrs. Orban Brown moved. Mr. Baumann seconded. Mrs. Orban Brown and Mr. Baumann asked for an explanation. Mrs. Bonanno explained this plan would give the employees more flexibility on their retirement plans, but Mrs. Orban Brown and Mr. Baumann felt it needed more clarification. Mr. Baumann moved to table this resolution and Mrs. Orban Brown seconded it. This resolution was tabled until the June 28th meeting.

RESOLUTION 2016-80

AWARDING THE CONTRACT BETWEEN KELLY HEATING AND PLUMBING AND THE TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM FOR THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF A WATER LINE PIPE AT TOWN HALL

Mayor Cioppettini read the resolution by title and called for a motion. Mrs. Orban Brown moved. Mr. Tolley seconded. All members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2016-81

AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1

BROOKSIDE ENGINE COMPANY FIRE TRUCK

Mayor Cioppettini asked that this resolution be tabled until the June 28th meeting.

RESOLUTION 2016-82

AUTHORIZATION TO GO OUT FOR AN RFP FOR MENDHAM SEWER EAST AND WEST TREATMENT FACILITY MAINTENANCE

Mayor Cioppettini read the resolution by title and called for a motion. Mrs. Orban Brown moved. Mr. Tolley seconded. Mr. Baumann abstained. All members present voted to approve.

RESOLUTION 2016-83

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mayor Cioppettini read the resolution by title and called for a motion. Mr. Tolley moved. Mr. Baumann seconded. All members present voted to approve.

PRESENTATION

RECREATION COMMISSION

The Mayor stated the Recreation commission was invited to meet with the Township Committee on May 24th, but they were unable to attend. He also stated the Committee's concern that there were only 13 memberships as opposed to 27 last year.

The Township Committee is concerned about the trust fund; the loss was thousands of dollars. $2750 is available to open beach and Mr. Cioppettini asked where the rest of the money will come from. He then turned the floor over to Mrs. Tolley.
Mrs. Tolley introduced the board. Amalia Duarte expressed her thoughts on Brookside Beach and how it is one of those places that families love to go to and she would be sad to see it go. She wants to work with the Township Committee to make it work.
Student managers and lifeguards expressed their excitement about Brookside beach and are looking forward to adding new activities to increase interest and membership.
Changed hours, delayed opening and using lifeguards/managers were stated as ways the Commission is trying to save money.

HEARING PERSON PRESENT

Nancy Bailer, 1 Stephens Lane, asked when the sidewalks in front of the library would be complete. Ms. Bonanno told her it would be by the end of June in time for the July 4th celebrations.
Richard Cotter, 9 Cooper Rd, is upset about the possibility of closing the beach.
Sue Browse, 13 Cooper Road, is also upset about closing the beach.
Dave Sager, 35 Mount Pleasant Road, objected to the timing and tone by the Township Committee in addressing volunteers.
Michael Merritt, 73 Mountainside Rd, questioned why the decision of Brookside Beach has to be discussed in closed session. Mr. Mill's stated that discussing the use of real property is an exemption for closed session.
Patricia Zimmerman, 3 West Main St., agreed with Mr. Merritt and reminded the Committee that the residents recently elected officials on an open and transparent government.
Rick Blood, 32 Tingley Road, asked how a Trust account works, in regards to the Rec Commission.
Warren Gisser, 39 West Main Street, had questions regarding the cost of maintaining the beach, even if it was not open; keeping it clean, maintaining the water.
Diane Tolley, 15 Woodland Road, told the Committee, they were asked on May 19th to attend the May 24th meeting, not a month in advance. She also stated the Rec commission has always been tasked to raise their own funds, including restoring the playground.
Omie Ryan, 11 Glen Cary Drive, asked the Committee to consider the residents and their plans that have already been made regarding the Beach, when making their decision to keep the beach open. She also suggested the volunteers receive some guidance when being a part of a committee.

PITNEY PROPERTY DISCUSSIONS

Jamie Kinsel, Coombs Hollow Road, talked about the ideas embodied in the Master Plan and know that many residents want to live by that plan.
Jody Deiss,3 Olmstead Lane, asked to have the support of the committee and although the fire was a huge setback, she believes it can be overcome.
Rick Blood, 32 Tingley Road, stated that the Friends of Pitney are still committed to restoring Pitney.
Taos Konidaris, 6 Ballantine rd., encouraged the Committee to assess all options and move quickly.
Omie Ryan, 11 Glen Cary Ryan, expressed the commitment the Friends of Pitney still has in restoring Pitney Farms.

ADJOURNMENT

The Township Committee motioned to adjourn at 9:10 PM, went into closed session and came back into regular session to vote on Resolution 2016-79. The Mayor explained the Committee went into closed session to discuss the legal obligations in respect to Brookside Beach. They decided it was up to the Rec Commission to run the beach within the constraints of the Rec funding.

RESOLUTION 2016-79
STAFF APPOINTMENTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION SUMMER SEASON

Mayor Cioppettini read the resolution by title and called for a motion. Mr. Tolley moved. Mrs. Orban Brown seconded. All members present voted to approve.

Adjournment at 9:40PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Beth Zichelli
Township Clerk